

Empowering lives: AWWA, Udhampur & FICCI FLO launch digital skilling program

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A transformative digital skilling initiative designed to empower the families of India's brave soldiers was conceptualized and jointly launched by Mrs Asha Suchindra, Regional President AWWA, Northern Command, Mrs Joyshree Das Verma, National President FICCI-FLOs, Ms. Reshma Patel, National Head, Digital Literacy Initiative; and Mrs. Ruchika Gupta, Chairperson FICCI-FLO Jammu Kashmir & Ladakh (JK&L), at Udhampur. The program aims to equip 100 Veer Naris and AWWA beneficiaries with essential skills, paving the way for financial independence and enhanced livelihood opportunities. Mrs. Joyshree Das Verma, National President FICCI-FLO, commended FICCI-FLO JK&L for spearheading this empowering initiative, particularly for the courageous Veer Naris. She emphasized FICCI-FLO's commitment to creating sustainable livelihoods for women facing adversity and acknowledged the sacrifices made by military families. "These women are a source of true inspiration. FLO remains dedicated to supporting and strengthening them as a tribute to their unwavering courage and sacrifice," she



stated. In her address, Mrs Aarti Monga, General Secretary, AWWA Northern Command expressed heartfelt gratitude to FICCI-FLO for its dedication and contribution towards this noble cause. She further highlighted the transformative potential of the program, which offers Veer Naris and AWWA beneficiaries not only hope but also tangible pathways to financial independence. The online course, featuring recorded modules and live sessions, ensures convenience and accessibility. Upon completion, participants will receive a certificate recognized by Skill India and the National Skill Development Corporation, providing them with credibility, access to government schemes, and enhanced job opportunities.

Mrs. Ruchika Gupta, Chairperson FICCI-FLO JK&L, shared insights into

the program, explaining how the initiative equips beneficiaries to leverage their skills for entrepreneurial ventures or small businesses.

She underlined FLO JKL's ongoing collaboration with AWWA to honor and support women who make the ultimate sacrifice for the nation. As part of the event, 100 HUNAR skilling kits were also distributed. The event was graced by FLO JKL core team members, including Varuna Anand (Immediate Past Chair), Aarti Choudhary (Senior Vice Chairperson), Sona Mehta (Treasurer), and Nandita Bajaj (Joint Treasurer), along with other esteemed FLO members. This milestone initiative marks a significant step towards supporting military families, empowering women to become self-reliant, and building brighter futures for their communities.

One-day training-cum-review meeting held by State Surveillance Unit Jammu



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A one-day training-cum-review meeting under the Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme (IDSP) - Integrated Health Information Platform (IHIP) for District Surveillance Units (DSUs) of Jammu Division was successfully organized by the State Surveillance Unit, IDSP, Jammu Division under the guidance of Directorate of Health Services Jammu and with the support of National Health Mission J&K. The event took place at Government Hospital, Gandhi Nagar, Jammu. The meeting was held under the supervision of Dr. Rakesh Magotra, Director of Health Services Jammu. The program commenced with a warm welcome address by Dr. Harjeet Rai, who ac-

knowledge the significant contributions of District Surveillance Units in maintaining public health safety. He remarked that the future of disease prevention depends on the meticulous efforts we make today in monitoring and reporting as integrated health information is the backbone of public health planning. Dr. Abdul Hamid Zargar appreciated the State Surveillance Unit for organizing the meeting and emphasized the critical role of the IDSP. He encouraged the participants to ensure proactive and collaborative efforts to improve disease surveillance and response mechanisms. Dr. Ila Gupta praised the efforts of the District Surveillance Units in ensuring timely and accurate reporting through the IHIP platform. She also added that strong surveil-

lance systems not only ensure better disease prevention but also contribute to evidence-based policymaking at all levels. The meeting was attended by District Surveillance Officers, District Epidemiologists, District Microbiologists, District Data Managers, and Data Entry Operators from all districts of the Jammu Division.

Each district team presented their status updates and achievements under the IDSP-IHIP platform. State Surveillance Team conducted an in-depth review of the IHIP implementation status across the districts and provided further guidance for strengthening the surveillance and reporting systems. Other prominent dignitaries who attended the meeting were Dr. Balwinder Singh Deputy Medical Superintendent, Government Hospital Gandhi Nagar Jammu and Dr. Simmi Thakur, Assistant Director (Health Education Bureau Section), Directorate of Health Services Jammu. The meeting concluded with a renewed commitment from all participants to enhance real-time reporting and data quality, ensuring improved disease surveillance and response in the region.

MLA Randhawa advocates sustainable management of water resources

Conducts inspection of Pond, Water Filtration Plant at Ward 51

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Senior BJP leader and MLA of Bahu Constituency, Choudhary Vikram Randhawa, conducted a detailed inspection of the Channi Himmat Pond and the Water Filtration Plant at Bhalla Enclave in Ward No. 51. Devansh Yadav, Commissioner of Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC), and other senior officials accompanied the MLA. During the inspection, MLA Randhawa underscored the critical need for maintaining and upgrading water infrastructure to meet the increasing demands of the population. He said, "Under the visionary leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, our government is dedicated to providing essential amenities to every citizen. Ensuring the proper functioning of water bodies and filtration systems is crucial for the health and well-being of our people. We are committed to implementing necessary improvements to enhance water quality and ensure sustainable management of these resources."



tration plant and shared plans for potential upgrades to boost its capacity and efficiency. He assured that the JMC is committed to resolving challenges and implementing the recommended enhancements in a timely manner. The inspection also involved interactions with local residents, who voiced their concerns and suggestions about water supply and quality. MLA Randhawa assured them that their feedback is invaluable and will be integrated into the planning and execution of future projects, reflecting the BJP's ethos of inclusive governance and community engagement.

The senior BJP leader emphasized his unwavering commitment to the development of public amenities, highlighting the importance of efficient water manage-

ment in urban areas. He stated, "As an elected representative, my priority is to improve the core infrastructure that directly impacts the lives of our citizens."

Whether it is water supply, sanitation, or drainage systems, my focus remains on sustainable development that aligns with environmental goals while catering to the growing needs of our region." Randhawa further pledged to introduce modern technologies and practices to enhance the management of public resources, ensuring long-term solutions to pressing issues.

He reaffirmed his vision of transforming Bahu Constituency into a model constituency in terms of public amenities, urging residents to actively participate in preserving water resources for future generations.

Educational institutions playing pivotal role in nurturing young talents: Arvind

Participates in JKMS's grand annual celebration for Classes 5 to 10

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JK Montessorri School celebrated its much-awaited Annual Day for classes 5 to 10 with immense grandeur and enthusiasm, marking another milestone in its journey of excellence. The event was graced by Sh. Arvind Gupta, senior BJP leader and MLA West Constituency, as the Chief Guest, and Mr. Ashwani Khajuria, Director of Hospitality and Protocol, Convention Centre, as the Guest of Honour. Adding prestige to the occasion were the School's Chairman Sanjeev Mahajan, Director Rajni Gupta, Dean Academics Apurv Gupta, Mr. Keshav Chopra, Mandal President BJP, Ex-Corporator Neelam Nargotra, Chairman Mount Litera Parneesh Mahajan, Mr. Ashok Dixit, and Principals of various schools. The program commenced with a formal welcome note by the School Coordinator, Mrs. Sutinder Kour, who highlighted the school's remarkable



achievements in academics, co-curricular activities, and community-building initiatives. The highlight of the celebration was a breathtaking dance drama depicting India's journey through the pre-independence, independence, and post-independence eras. The performances showcased the spirit of patriotism and emphasized the importance of resilience, progress, and environmental preservation through a captivating blend of music, dance, and storytelling. The school also celebrated academic excellence

by recognizing the achievements of its students for the sessions 2022-2023 and 2023-2024. It further honored distinguished alumni, including Annie Vaid and Pallvi Verma for qualifying the prestigious JKAS examination, Chirag Kotwal for securing the 2nd runner-up position in Indian Idol, and Harshit Kohli, who represented India in fencing at the Commonwealth Games held in New Zealand. Speaking on the occasion, Sh. Arvind Gupta said that it was an honor to be part of the Annual Day celebrations of

JKMS, a school that consistently excels in academics and co-curricular activities. He expressed his admiration for the enthusiasm and talent displayed by the students, adding that the institution's dedication to shaping future leaders was truly commendable. He highlighted the cultural performances, stating that they were not only entertaining but also deeply impactful. "The portrayal of India's journey through various eras reflects the values of patriotism, resilience, and sustainable progress. Such initiatives play a pivotal role

in instilling national pride and responsibility in young minds," he remarked. MLA Arvind emphasized that education is not limited to academics but encompasses all-round development. He commended the management, faculty, and parents for their pivotal role in nurturing young talents and creating an environment conducive to holistic growth.

Encouraging the students, he said, "Dream big, work hard, and stay committed to your goals. You are the torchbearers of our nation's future, and the lessons you learn here will guide you to make a meaningful impact on society." He extended his best wishes to the School Management for its continued journey of excellence and success in empowering young minds. The event concluded with a heartfelt Vote of Thanks by Mrs. Charanpreet Kour, who expressed gratitude to the dignitaries, parents, teachers, and students for their contributions in making the event a grand success.

One more notorious drug peddler arrested, heroin recovered

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UDHAMPUR, DEC 24:

Udhampur Police team from PS Udhampur while performing patrolling duty near Subash Stadium road, Police patrolling team noticed an individual roaming suspiciously. Upon conducting a thorough frisking, 6.01 grams of heroin like substance was recovered from the possession of the apprehended person namely Mohitesh Verma S/O Sham Lal Verma R/O W.No. 12 Chabutra Bazar Udhampur who has been arrested on spot. On this, a case vide FIR No. 515/2024 U/S 8/21/22/ NDPS Act stands registered in P/S Udhampur and further investigation was set into probe.

Crime Branch files charge-sheet against habitual offender for issuing fake appointment order in govt dept

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The Special Crime Wing, Crime Branch Jammu has filed a charge sheet against Jameel Anjum Mir, a habitual offender, for issuing a fake appointment order in a government department. This move is part of the Crime Branch J&K's ongoing drive against cheaters and fraudsters. According to SSP Special Crime Wing Jammu, Sh. Sanjay Parihar, the case began with a written complaint about a fake Selection-cum-Appointment order issued by a government department. The order was found to be completely fake and forged, with no number or date, and was likely created with the intention of duping vulnerable youth and damaging the department's reputation. After a thorough investigation, the accused was identified as Jameel Anjum Mir, and the offences under sections 419, 420, 465, and 468 of the IPC were established against him. Mir is a habitual offender with 07 other cases registered against him in the Crime Branch and other police stations in Jammu. The charge sheet was presented before the Hon'ble court of Municipal Mobile Magistrate Jammu for judicial determination. This development demonstrates the Crime Branch's commitment in combating fraud and protecting the public from deceitful activities.

Cyber Cell recovers online defrauded amount of Rs 360464

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KATHUA, DEC 24:

District Cyber Cell Kathua under overall supervision of SSP Kathua Shobit Saksena -IPS has demonstrated its commitment to combat cyber crime by recovering defrauded amount of ₹ 3,64,464/-, in 07 different complaints in the current month of December 2024. 1. Amount of Rs 2,10,000 recovered and refunded to Sanjeevan Sharma R/o Indira Colony, Kathua. 2. Amount of Rs 61,000 recovered and refunded to Arun Sharma R/o Hiranagar, Kathua. 3. Amount of Rs 37,664 recovered and refunded to Hardik Abrol R/o Shiva Nagar, Kathua. 4. Amount of Rs 18,800 recovered and refunded to Dakshveer Chadgal R/o Indira Colony, Kathua. 5. Amount of Rs 13,500 recovered and refunded to Shivang Mansotra R/o Ward No. 1, Kathua. 6. Amount of Rs 10,000 recovered and refunded to Rohit Sharma R/o Budhi, Kathua. 7. Amount of Rs 9500 recovered and refunded to Gulferen Malik R/o Jagloti Kathua. /Pertinently, from the date of establishment, Cyber Cell Kathua has successfully recovered defrauded amount of Rs 43,00,000/- so far, this achievement of District Police Kathua underscores the unit's expertise dedication and tireless efforts in safeguarding the common citizens against online fraud and cheating. District Police Kathua once again appeals to the General Public to remain extra vigilant and report promptly to Cyber Cell Kathua or the National Cyber Crime Helpline Number 1930 or visit www.cybercrime.gov.in if any suspicious call or online cheating is noticed.

District Police Reasi acts tough against traffic violators & illegal encroachers, 50 vehicles challaned

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REASI, DEC 24:

To enhance road safety and maintain discipline on roads, and to remove illegally occupied roads by cart vendors and shopkeepers, District Police Reasi has launched a rigorous special drive against violators at Reasi town. The drive was launched by joint team of Police and civil administration headed by SHO Reasi Khyatimsa Khajuria and DySP HQs Reasi Neeraj Padyar-JKPS. During the recent operation, nearly 50 vehicles were booked under various provisions of the Motor Vehicles (MV) Act for violating traffic norms. Additionally, action was taken against 24 cart vendors found obstructing the smooth flow of traffic in key areas, ensuring better accessibility and order on the roads. As part of this initiative, the District Police Reasi also conducted counselling sessions for drivers of passenger vehicles. These sessions focused on the critical importance of adhering to traffic rules and fostering a culture of responsible driving to safeguard lives. District Police Reasi has urged all road users, including motorists, pedestrians, and vendors, to strictly follow traffic rules and cooperate in creating a safer environment for everyone. This drive is part of the police's ongoing efforts to instill discipline on the roads and to decongest the town for smooth flow of traffic during peaks hours.

JU's Kathua Campus organizes hands-on training on Information Technology

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Department of Computer Science & IT, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized eleventh Hands-on Training on Information Technology for the students of Government High School, Dewal, Billawar, Kathua. More than 30 students along with faculty members visited the Campus and hands-on training on Information Technology was imparted to them. During the visit, the students interacted with faculty members and explored the entire campus, including state-of-the-art laboratories, workshops, and other facilities. The visit was designed to offer the students an opportunity to understand the practical aspects of educa-

tion and its application in real-world scenarios. The students were highly enthusiastic throughout the visit and actively engaged in discussions with the faculty and students of the Kathua Campus.

Prof. Arvind Jasrotia, Rector, Kathua Campus in his message highlighted the significance of such visits in bridging the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical understanding. He emphasized the importance of introducing students to modern technologies and fostering an environment that nurtures innovation and learning. He also added that such initiatives underscore the commitment of Kathua Campus to contribute to the academic and professional growth of young learners by providing

them with opportunities for experiential learning and industry exposure. He stressed that the students should seize every opportunity provided by these visits to broaden their knowledge and explore new avenues for their future. Dr. Sourabh Shastri, I/c Head, Computer Science warmly welcomed the students and delivered an engaging lecture on computer science topics. He emphasized the importance of technology in shaping the future and encouraged the students to cultivate a keen interest in technological advancements. He urged the students to revisit Kathua Campus to deepen their understanding of modern technologies and leverage the learning environment offered by the institution.

SKUAST-TAJ, NTEA-J calls on Chief Secretary, discuss issues

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A joint delegation of Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology - Teaching Association Jammu (SKUAST-TAJ) and Non Teaching Employees Association Jammu (NTEA-J) under the chairmanship of Dr Vikas Sharma called on Chief Secretary of J&K Sh. Atal Dullo at Civil Secretariat today. President SKUAST-TAJ Dr Vikas Sharma informed the CS that the salary disbursement system has been disrupted in SKUAST-Jammu as the teaching and non teaching employees of SKUAST-Jammu are not getting their salaries on time from the last 1.5 years due to which they are facing financial difficulties in the very beginning of every month, even till date, the employees have not yet received their salaries for the month of November, 2024 and due to delay in release of salaries, the employees are not able to clear their dues well in time like monthly instalment of housing loan, insurance premium, school fee of children, medical treatment etc. and they have to pay



more interest in addition to their normal rate of interest. Moreover, low paid employees are more sufferers being total dependency on salary. Therefore, proper mechanism should be developed for the disbursement of salaries of SKUAST-J employees on 1st of every month to save the teaching and non-teaching staff of the university from the extra burden of interest.

The joint action committee requested for additional funds to overcome salary deficit of KVK establishment as the funds on account of travel allowance, medical allowance, children allowance for the employees of KVK establishment of SKUAST-Jammu has been stopped recently by the ICAR (liable to provide only basic

salary +DA+HRA to the host Institute), which has directly impacted the payment of salaries of KVK employees. The Joint Action Committee of SKUAST-Jammu also stressed for abolition of review system for enhancing retirement age from 62 to 65 years of the Professors of erstwhile State Universities as the process has created a sycophancy / biased pick and choose resulting in humiliation and anguish amongst the teaching fraternity. The CS assured the delegation that their issues will be considered and in future the employees of SKUAST-J will get their salary on time. Dr. Vikas Sharma was accompanied by Sh. K. D. Singh - President NTEA-J, Sh Dheeraj Rajwal and Smt. Seema Bhatt.

Danish criticizes NC's empty promises on job creation

Says Modi Govt created nearly 7.9 lakh self-employment opportunities in last 6 years

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Danish Mishra, Vice President of Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha (BJYM), J&K, strongly criticized the National Conference leadership for making false promises about job creation in Jammu and Kashmir during the recent Assembly polls. He pointed out the significant difference between the opposition's rhetoric and the BJP-led Government's actual record on job recruitment. In a press statement issued here today, Danish Mishra praised the BJP Government for its transparent, merit-based approach to job creation, highlighting the recent issuance of 71,000 appointment letters under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. He emphasized that this move is a clear example of the Government's

commitment to eliminating backdoor appointments and nepotism. "The days of favouritism are gone in Jammu and Kashmir. Today, the Modi Government hires based on merit, not connections," said Mishra. He noted that the values of "Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas" have shaped the BJP's approach to recruitment, ensuring equal opportunities for all. Mishra also highlighted the Central Government's efforts to improve working conditions, pointing out that under the Modi Government, more than 42,000 full-time, salaried jobs have been created, replacing the old system where daily wage workers earned as little as Rs. 500 per month. "This Government has restored dignity and financial stability to the youth of Jammu and Kashmir," he said.

He further noted that in the past six years, the Government has created nearly 7.9 lakh self-employment opportunities through various schemes. Along with 42,000 government jobs, the industrialization efforts have created around 70,000 private-sector jobs. In total, the Government has generated nearly 9-10 lakh jobs, a major achievement for Jammu and Kashmir's youth and economy. In a challenge to the NC-led Government, Mishra called on them to fulfill their promise of creating one lakh jobs, while ensuring the same level of transparency, competitive salaries, and merit-based appointments as demonstrated by the BJP Government. "The youth of Jammu and Kashmir deserve more than empty promises. They deserve real opportunities," he added.