Media Star Awards 2025: Honoring Excellence in Journalism BLSKS presents awareness program on Nasha Mukat Bharat Shilpa Thakur and Editor-in-Chief of Jammu

JAMMU, JUL 25: In continuous the "Nasha Mukat to promote the Bharat". & culture of J&K, Traditional Bhartiya Lok Sangeet Kala Sansthan presented awareness program in its Musical Play "Nasha Jee Karge Me Mouti Marge" today in collaboration with Sangam Tru Art Production, Ministry of Culture, Government of India, Social Welfare Deptt. J&K Govt. at Raina Hr. Sec school, Top Paloura, Jammu and to continuous this Special Different School's Awareness Campaign of Nasha Mukat Bharat Abhiyan in our J&KUT. The musical play was written and Directed by Dr.M.L.Dogra, renowned writer and director. A pledge was also administered by M C Kotwal, Music Director of BLSKS to more than 350 students / teachers and the certificate by the Ministry of Social Justice was presented to the Principal of the Host School. The program was inaugurated by Chief Guest B.D. Raina, Managing Director, Raina Group of

Schools. Among the Guest of

Honors were Mr. Ravind Raina,



Raina Hr. Sec School, Paloura, Jammu, Meenaskhi Ji ,Sarojini Raina Senior Teachers of host school. The Programe was commenced with the songs were " Nasha Na Karna - Man Lo Kehna ", "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahostav", "Dengu Machar kola Bacho", "Swatchh Bharat Jai Jai Bhaarat", "Tu Mala Tu" & the music of the Play, composed by renowned music Composer Mr.Raju Bajgal. The Chief Guest Ravind Raina, said in his speech the Nasha Mukat Bharat Abhiyan was launched by Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment which is the Nodal Ministry for Drug Demand Reduction has formulated and identified as most vulnerable in terms of usage of drugs in the

These vulnerable districts were identified on the basis of findings from the comprehensive National survey and the inputs provided by the Narcotics Control Bureau and appreciate the efforts of the BLSKS , organizers in making such aware-

ness programmes colorful and effective on the theme. The successful campaign program was also recorded & uploaded online on Social Media for benefit of the peoples.

Nasha Mukt Bharat Abhiyaan intends to reach out to the masses and spread awareness about substance abuse through various activities like, Awareness generation programmes. Focus on higher educational Institutions, university campuses and schools. Reaching out to the Community and identifying dependent population. Focus on counselling and treatment facilities in hospitals and rehabilitation centers that have been geo-tagged. Capacity building programmes for service providers. The singers, musician, actors and students of music and computer institute who performed in the musical play were, K K Joshi, M C Kotwal, Raju Bajgal, Bindia Okheda, Rajni Gupta, Sanjeev Kumar Sodhi, Anshu Balgotra, and many others presented the enthralled performance at last of the programe Master Deepak Kumar presented vote of thanks for successful conduction of the program.



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The M Jackson Cultural Institute of Society, in collaboration with the Jammu and Kashmir Academy of Culture, Languages, proudly presented the Media Star Awards 2025 today at Abhinav Theatre, Jammu, celebrating outstanding contributions and excellence in the field of journalism. This prestigious event recognized the dedication, integrity, and achievements of distinguished media professionals who have significantly impacted journalism through their work. Among the notable awardees was Thakur, a senior photojournalist and correspondent,

honored for her exceptional contributions to visual storytelling and ground reporting in Jammu and Kashmir.

The award was also pre-

sented to the Editor-in-Chief

of the Jammu Kashmir Writer newspaper, acknowledging their visionary leadership, editorial excellence, and commitment to ethical journalism in the region. The awards ceremony was graciously sponsored by the Betiya Foundation, a national-level NGO committed to empowering communities and promoting social causes.

The event featured inspiring keynote addresses, award presentations, and insightful panel discussions on current media trends, ethics, and

ists today. Speaking on the occasion,

the organizers stated, "We are delighted to recognize and celebrate the relentless efforts of media professionals who continue to uphold the values of responsible journalism. The Media Star Awards 2025 are a tribute to their passion and perseverance." The Jammu Kashmir Writers Team extended heartfelt congratulations to Shilpa Thakur, the Editor-in-Chief, and all the recipients, acknowledging their unwavering dedication to truth, integrity, and excellence in journalism. "May this recognition serve as a beacon of inspiration for continued commitment to journalistic

Sanjeev Singh Rinku takes charge as YRS President, vows to fight for Rajput-Dogra welfare



JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS JAMMU, JUL 25:

Amid recent speculations surrounding internal disputes within the Yuva Rajput Sabha (YRS), Sanjeev Singh Rinku officially assumed charge as the new President of the Sabha. Marking the beginning of his tenure, Sanjeev paid tribute at the statue of significant historical Maharaja Hari Singh Ji, seeking blessings for the journey ahead.

The occasion witnessed a massive gathering, including YRS core committee members, former Presidents, the state body, and thousands from the Rajput and Dogra communities. The event stood as a powerful display of

unity and hope for the future. Chairman of YRS, Raghuvir Singh, praised Rinku as a dedicated and long-serving member of the Sabha. Highlighting his contributions as Vice President from 2013 to 2016, Raghuvir Singh described Sanjeev Singh Rinku as a selfless worker who always stood for the Sabha's cause without personal gain. "Today, the community reposed its faith in him, and he has been entrusted with responsibilities towards the Dogra community as well," he added. In his address to the media, Sanjeev Singh Rinku expressed heartfelt gratitude to the Rajput and Dogra communities. He assured them that his leadership would focus solely on the welfare and bright future of both the community and the region of Jammu.

He further announced plans to actively push for key demands such as the formation of a Rajput Welfare Board, establishment of a Rajput Hostel, political reservation, and equal rights for the Dogras. Emphasizing unity, he said that efforts are underway to resolve the internal differences within the Sabha, and expressed confidence that senior member Mandeep Singh will soon rejoin the fold for the betterment of the organization. Former President Surinder Singh Gilli, who was present at the event, stated clearly that any differences within the Sabha will be resolved internally. He affirmed that by 23rd September, YRS will once again emerge as a united force advocating for the rights and interests of the Rajput and Dogra communities. The event concluded on a powerful note, as thousands of attendees raised slogans in unity, declaring:"We are all one and will always work together under the banner of

APS Rakhmuthi two girls selected for nationallevel youth exchange programme

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JAMMU, JUL 25: It is a moment of immense pride for Army Public School (APS) Rakhmuthi as two brilliant young minds, Abhishee Gupta (Class XI Science) and Simran (Class X), have been selected to represent Jammu and Kashmir as Cultural Ambassadors at the upcoming National Youth Exchange Programme (YEP). The prestigious event was held in Kurukshetra, Haryana, from July 22-25, 2025. Abhishee Gupta and Simran earned well-deserved recognition for their exceptional performance in the declamation contest, where they impressed the judges with their eloquence, confidence and ability to articulate their thoughts effectively. Their achievements not only highlight their individual brilliance but also reflect the nurturing environment and academic excellence fostered at APS Rakhmuthi. The selection of these two talented students as Cultural Ambassadors underscores the importance of fostering young leaders who can represent their region at a national level. This success also serves as a proud moment for the school's leadership and dedicated mentors, whose support and guidance have played a crucial role in shaping the students' journey. Their participation in the YEP will provide them with an invaluable platform to engage with peers from diverse backgrounds, broaden their horizons and promote cultural exchange

Van Mahotsav celebrated at PM Shri GHSS Bhalra, Bhaderwah

JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS BHADERWAH, JUL 25:

The NCC Wing of PM Shri Govt. Higher Secondary School Bhalra, under the aegis of 10 J&K BN NCC Bhaderwah, celebrated Van Mahotsav 2025 with zeal and a spirit of environmental responsibility. Brigadier D.N. Pandey, Group Commander NCC JK & L Directorate, was the Chief Guest on the occasion, while Lieutenant Colonel Manujendra Singh, Commanding Officer 10 J&K BN NCC Bhaderwah, attended as Guest of Honour. Both dignitaries interacted with Junior Division NCC cadets and appreciated their discipline and environmental awareness. Dr. Sanjeev Kumar Koul, Associate NCC Officer, presented a detailed briefing on the cadets' achievements and extended a warm invitation to the guests to participate in the plantation drive, the main highlight of the event. Cadet Kush Kumar addressed the gathering, stressing the significance of afforestation and ecological balance. A ceremonial parade and NCC class marked the event, with cadets presenting piloting honours to the Chief Guest. Staff members, including Dr Nitan Singh, Wasim Qazi, Mr. Om Parkash (Sr. Lecturer), Mr. Nirbheek Singh, Mr. Vipan Kotwal, and Mr. Sunil Kotwal, also took part in the plantation activity. The event concluded with a note of appreciation recorded by Brig. Pandey in the Visitor's Diary. The programme was successfully coordinated by Dr. Sanjeev Kumar Koul under guidance of Mr Irshad Ahmed (I/c Principal) and supervision of Principal Mr. Satish Kumar.

Yudhvir Sethi, JMC Commissioner inaugurate open shed at Sri Ram Mandir

JAMMU, JUL 25: Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA) Yudhvir Sethi and Commissioner. Municipal Jammu Corporation (JMC) Dr. Devansh Yadav today inaugurated a newly constructed open shed on the rooftop of the historic Sri Ram Mandir, located in Purani Mandi, Jammu.In a significant move to enhance facilities for devotees and yatris, , was inaugurated today. The open shed constructed at a cost of Rs. 44.51 lakh is a significant move to enhance facilities for devotees and yatris. It has been developed as part of a comprehensive infrastructure initiative titled "Construction of Bathing cum Toilet Blocks including Construction of Open Shed at Roof Top", funded under the SANJY (Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra) Project. This facility is specifically aimed at providing shelter and basic amenities to the large number of pilgrims who travel to Jammu during the annual Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra.

Appreciating the JMC's commitment for providing improved civic infrastructure around religious and heritage locations, Yudhvir Sethi said



that such facilities are crucial to supporting Jammu's role as a key base station for the Yatra and reaffirmed the government's dedication to pilgrims' welfare. Emphasizing the importance of such infrastructure in order to meet out the needs of yatris arriving from various parts of the country, Dr. Yadav said the open shed will offer a dignified, clean, and sheltered resting space for devotees staying at Sri Ram Mandir en-route to the holy Amarnath Cave Shrine.To mark the occasion, Prasad was distributed among the devotees staying at the temple premises by the dignitaries, symbolizing communal harmony, service, and hospitality extended to the visiting yatris. Mahant Shri Rameshwar Dass Ji Maharaj, the spiritual head of Sri Ram

Mandir, extended his heartfelt gratitude to both digni-Jammu on cultural, spiritual, and public welfare infrastructure that

taries for their presence and support. He remarked that the open shed was a much-needed addition, especially beneficial during high footfall periods such as Ram Navami, Diwali, and the Amarnath Yatra. The inauguration ceremony saw enthusiastic participation from temple Committee members, JMC officials, and citizens from surrounding areas. The new structure is expected to significantly improve accommodation and convenience for visiting pilgrims. This initiative is yet another step by the Municipal Corporation toward inclusive urban development, focusing

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Police nabs drug peddler with heroin-like substance in Rajbagh

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In a continued effort to tighten the noose around drug trafficking in the district, the police team of Police Station Rajbagh has apprehended a drug peddler and recovered a quantity of narcotics from his possession. The accused has been identified as Omkar Bhagat alias Gusha, son of Rajkumar, resident of Hamirpur, District Kathua. Acting on specific input, the police intercepted the suspect at Khanpur near Banyari Bridge, where a search led to the recovery of approximately 7.96 grams of a heroin-like substance. Following the recovery, the accused has been booked under relevant sections of the NDPS Act, and further investigation is underway. The District Police reiterated its firm resolve to root out the drug menace and safeguard society, particularly the youth, from the threat posed by narcotic substances.

Notorious criminal booked under PSA

In a major success against criminal activities Kathua Police has booked a notorious criminal/History Sheeter under PSA following multiple involvements in many criminal cases.On the directions of District Magistrate Kathua a detention warrant vide Order No. PSA /170 of 2025 dated 22- 07-2025 was issued against the accused Harish Kumar @ Shally S/o Narinder Kumar R/o Ward No.06, Billawar Tehsil Billawar, District Kathua. Police team of Police Station Billawar led by SHO Billawar Insp Zaheer Mushtaq under the guidance of SDPO Billawar Sh Neeraj Padyar under the overall supervision of SSP Kathua Sh. Shobhit Saksena IPS arrested the accused and executed the said warrant under section 8 (1) (A) of J&K Public Safety Act 1978 was issued against the accused by District Magistrate Kathua after receiving the dossier from district police against the accused. The said accused was habitual of indulging in criminal activities and there was many criminal cases in which accused was involved. FIR No. 48/2016 U/S 307/34/RPC, 4/25 Arms Act of PS Billawar, FIR No 42/2017 U/S 307/341/323/34/RPC, 3/25 Arms Acr of PS Hiranagar, FIR No.63/2017 U/S 307/458/147/323/RPC, 4/25 Arms Act of PS Nowabad,FIR No.71/2025 U/S 307/115(2)/351/352/BNS of PS Hiranagar. Finally today the warrant was executed and the accused person was sent to District Jail Rajouri.

Vilakshan Singh flags off 17th holy Chhari Yatra to Chandi Mata Machail

challenges faced by journal-

JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS JAMMU, JUL 25:

President of the J&K National Panthers Party, Vilakshan Singh, today flagged off the 17th Holy Chhari Yatra to the revered Chandi Mata Mandir in Machail, Paddar (Kishtwar District). The spiritually significant event witnessed the participation of a large number of devotees including men, women, and children, who embarked on the sacred journey to pay obeisance at the ancient shrine of Chandi Mata. The yatra, an annual pilgrimage that holds deep religious and cultural importance in the region, has been organized by Shri Santosh Singh and Shri Sanju Bhagat along with their group, who have been instrumental in ensuring its smooth conduct

Flagging off the yatra, Mr. Vilakshan Singh expressed his reverence for the tradition and highlighted its unifying spiritual message.

year after year.

'The Chhari Yatra is a sym-

bol of our rich cultural heritage and devotion.

It not only brings devotees closer to their faith but also reinforces the communal harmony and brotherhood for which Jammu and Kashmir is known," he said.Singh also offered prayers for peace, harmony, and prosperity in the region, invoking the blessings of Chandi Mata for the wellbeing of all citizens.

Amidst chants of "Jai Mata Di", the yatris began their journey in high spirits, carrying the holy mace (Chhari Mubarak) that symbolizes the blessings of the goddess. Elaborate arrangements have been made for the comfort and safety of the pilgrims, with support from local administration, volunteers, and community organizations. The Holy Chhari Yatra is expected to culminate at the Machail Mata Mandir, where special prayers and rituals will be held, invoking peace, prosperity, and divine blessings for all

JSS Kathua hosts inspiring session on 'Operation Sindoor'



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Jammu Sanskriti School, Hatli Mor, Kathua had the distinct honour of hosting Army Officials from Rising Star Corps for an exclusive debriefing on Operation Sindoor, followed by a powerful motivational address delivered by officers of the Indian Army. The session, attended by over 200 students from Classes IX to XII, aimed to instill a deeper understanding of national defence and to cultivate values of leadership, discipline, and patriotism.

The highlight of the event was an exclusive, officially

curated video presentation offering an in-depth overview of the strategic planning and execution of Operation Sindoor. The rare footage gave students a unique window into the operational excellence and unwavering commitment of the Indian Armed Forces.

The motivational address by a senior Army officer from the Gurj Division struck a powerful chord with the audience. Drawing on his rich experiences from a distinguished military career, he emphasized the importance of national service, inner resilience, and moral integrity—urging students to adopt and professional spheres.

Ms. Mili R. Sumbria, Principal of Jammu Sanskriti School, expressed her gratitude and pride, stating:"It was a privilege to welcome Indian Army officers from the Gurj Division to our campus. The debriefing on Operation Sindoor and the thought-provoking address made a profound impact on our students. Events like these not only educate but inspire-sowing seeds of courage, patriotism, and leadership in the hearts of tomorrow's changemakers."

The session concluded with an engaging Q&A, allowing students to interact directly with the Indian army officer from Gurj Division and gain further insights into military life and national security. This enriching experience left a lasting impression, strengthening students' admiration for the Armed Forces and reinforcing the values of duty, honour, and service. Jammu Sanskriti School remains steadfast in its commitment to holistic student development through such transformative engagements.

Keshav Chopra pays obeisance at Tirupati Balaji Temple

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Prominent social activist and Chairman of the Samvedna Society, Keshav Chopra, today paid obeisance at the Tirupati Balaji Temple in Jammu and participated in the special Abhishek ceremony of Lord Venkateswara. He was joined by R.C. Subramaniam, Superintendent of Tirupati Balaji Temple Jammu. The ceremony, performed every Friday, saw prayers offered for the welfare of the country. Keshav Chopra expressed immense joy and pride over the establishment of the Tirupati Balaji temple in Jammu, highlighting its role in bringing the rich culture of South India to the people of the region. He described the experience as "heavenly" and urged people to visit the temple and seek blessings. Chopra emphasized that the Lord Venkateswara temple is a significant boost to

spiritual tourism in Jammu. He further shared his divine experience at the Sri Venkateswara Swamy temple, nestled amidst the scenic Shivalik forests in Majeen, Jammu. He extended an appeal to all devotees who are unable to visit Andhra Pradesh to come to the Jammu temple to offer prayers and seek the Lord's blessings.

R.C. Subramaniam, Superintendent of the Tirupati Balaji Temple in Jammu, voiced concerns regarding the lack of transport services to the temple, which is located in the Majin area. He made a direct appeal to the Administration of Jammu, to ensure that basic transport services to the temple are initiated at the earliest to facilitate devotees. Also present on this auspicious occasion were Ved Pandit Amit Shukla, Archaka Pandit Ravi Teja Bhattacharya, Pandit Surya Prakash Dwivedi, and Pandit Gautam Pandey.

Army organizes Ex-servicemen meet in Dhanna

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JAMMU, JUL 25: An Ex-Servicemen Meet was successfully organized in Dhanna, Poonch District on 25th July 2025. The event aimed to strengthen the bond with our esteemed veterans while promoting youth empowerment and engagement. The gathering brought together a diverse group of exservicemen, including veterans from various armed forces, creating an opportunity for them to share experiences, challenges and valuable insights. The primary objective of the

meet was to interact with Ex-Servicemen (ESMs), express gratitude and reaffirm the community's commitment to their welfare. The initiative also served as a motivational platform for local youth, encouraging them to consider careers in the Indian Armed Forces. Various success stories from the veterans helped inspire the youth to consider joining the armed forces as a prestigious and fulfilling career choice. Additionally, the program included an informative session on sports nutrition and

on sports-related injuries commonly encountered during armed forces selection processes. Expert speakers provided practical advice on maintaining peak fitness, injury prevention and efficient recovery methods. This information is expected to aid aspiring candidates in achieving optimal physical readiness, enhancing their chances of success in the selection process. The event ended on a positive note with a sense of pride and camaraderie. fostering a deeper connection between the ex-servicemen and the local community. injury management, focusing