

HVAC operations and maintenance training programme-Batch 6 inaugurated at IIT Jammu

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JAMMU, MAR 11:

The Centre for Essential Skills (CES) at the Indian Institute of Technology Jammu, inaugurated Batch 6 of the HVAC Operations & Maintenance Training Programme, a four-day hands-on training initiative aimed at strengthening the technical skills of youth from Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh in the field of Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC).

The programme is being organised by the Centre for Essential Skills (CES), IIT Jammu, with the support of the Indian Hotels Company Limited (IHCL). The initiative focuses on enhancing practical competencies in HVAC operations, maintenance, and system management, addressing the growing demand for skilled technicians in sectors such as infrastructure, hospitality, and industrial services.

The inaugural session was graced by Prof. Meenakshi Rajeev, Dean (Outreach and Skill Development), IIT Jammu; Shri Gian Chand Modgil, Technical Advisor,



International Finance Corporation (World Bank Group) and Dr. Satya Sekar Bhogilla, Head of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, IIT Jammu and Programme Faculty Coordinator. Representatives from the hospitality industry also attended the event, including Mr. Ujjawal Bhimwal, General Manager, Taj Vivanta City Centre Jammu; Mr. Munish Kapoor, HR Manager; Mr. Mohammad Rafiq Matoo, Chief Engineer and Mr. Amrit Pal Singh, Director of Sales and Marketing.

The initiative is being con-

ducted under the leadership of Prof. Manoj Singh Gaur, Director, IIT Jammu, whose continued emphasis on industry-aligned skill development programmes has significantly strengthened the institute's outreach and training efforts. The programme is being implemented under the guidance of Prof. Meenakshi Rajeev, Dean (Outreach and Skill Development), with active support from Dr. Rajkumar Velu, Associate Dean (Centre for Essential Skills), who has played a key role in facilitating such capacity-building initiatives at IIT Jammu. The training ses-

sions are being conducted at IIT Jammu's Cooling Innovation Lab, where participants receive hands-on exposure to modern HVAC systems and industry-relevant practices. During the current financial year, the programme has successfully trained nearly 140 participants from diverse technical backgrounds, including ITI students, diploma holders, technicians, and early-career professionals. The current batch includes 10 participants from the Union Territory of Ladakh, in addition to four participants from Ladakh who were trained in Batch 5. As part of strength-

ening industry-academia collaboration, Taj Vivanta City Centre Jammu has also agreed to provide internship opportunities to 8-10 interested participants, enabling them to gain valuable industry exposure and practical experience.

Addressing the participants, the dignitaries highlighted the importance of skill development and industry-oriented training in preparing youth for emerging employment opportunities in the technical services sector. The programme continues to play an important role in bridging the skill gap and enhancing employment prospects for young technicians in the region. The inaugural session concluded with a vote of thanks by Ms. Neha Jamwal, Project Coordinator, Centre for Essential Skills, IIT Jammu, who acknowledged the contributions of the dignitaries, industry partners, and organising team. The training programme will continue over the next four days, featuring intensive practical sessions, technical demonstrations, and interactions with industry experts.

Northern Railway opens executive waiting lounge at Srinagar Railway Station

Airport-style lounge with modern amenities aims to enhance passenger comfort in the Valley

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SRINAGAR, MAR 11:

In a step towards improving passenger amenities, the Jammu Division of Northern Railway has inaugurated a state-of-the-art Executive Waiting Lounge at Srinagar Railway Station. The facility has been launched under the guidance of Divisional Railway Manager Vivek Kumar as part of the Railways' ongoing efforts to enhance services for passengers traveling to and from the Kashmir Valley.

Designed with modern interiors and airport-style facilities, the lounge offers passengers a comfortable and premium environment while they wait for their trains. The fully functional lounge provides a serene setting equipped with comfortable seating, Wi-Fi



connectivity, and dining options, ensuring a relaxing experience for both tourists and local travellers. The lounge has been equipped with 14 recliner sofas, allowing passengers to relax for Rs 50 per hour per person. Additionally, 50 two-seater sofa seats have been arranged for families and group travellers at a nominal charge of Rs 20 per hour per person.

Senior Divisional Commercial Manager,

Jammu Division, Uchit Singhal, said the lounge has been thoughtfully designed with modern furnishings and a calm ambience to offer passengers an 'executive' experience away from the hustle and bustle of the station. He added that the initiative will provide world-class comfort to tourists as well as local passengers traveling to and from Kashmir, making their waiting time at the station more convenient and pleasant.

BJP submits memorandum to Div Com protesting proposed fuel price hike by Omar-led govt

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Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leaders led by Jammu East MLA Yudhvir Sethi and BJP All Cells Incharge Ved Sharma submitted a memorandum at the office of the Divisional Commissioner, Jammu, strongly protesting the proposed hike in petrol and diesel prices by the Omar Abdullah-led government in Jammu & Kashmir. The memorandum was received by officials in the absence of the Divisional Commissioner. The BJP delegation warned that the proposed increase of ?1 per litre on petrol and ?2 per litre on diesel would impose an additional financial burden on the common people of Jammu & Kashmir, particularly at a time when the public is already grappling with rising costs of living. Among those present during the submis-

sion of the memorandum included Ashu Mahajan, Convenor BJP Transport Cell, along with Cell Co-Convenors Roshan and Kamalpreet. Senior BJP leaders Shyam Langer, K.L. Sharma, Mukherjee Sharma, Balvinder Singh, and Karunesh Gupta were also present.

Speaking on the occasion, Yudhvir Sethi strongly criticized the National Conference government for betraying the promises made to the people during the Assembly elections. He said that the party had assured relief to the common man in its election manifesto, but instead of providing respite, the government is now moving to impose additional taxes on fuel. Sethi said that any increase in the prices of petrol and diesel has a cascading effect on the entire economy, leading to a rise in transporta-

tion costs and eventually increasing the prices of essential commodities and daily-use items. He stated that such anti-people decisions reflect the insensitivity of the government towards the hardships of the common citizens, traders, transporters and working-class families.

Ved Sharma also condemned the proposed price hike and said that the BJP strongly opposes the decision of the Omar Abdullah-led government. He said that such arbitrary decisions without considering their impact on the public reflect the failure of the government to protect the interests of the people. Ved Sharma warned that the BJP will continue to raise its voice against policies that harm the common citizens and will not allow the government to impose unjustified financial burdens on the people of Jammu & Kashmir.

3 drug peddlers arrested in Doda, cannabis recovered

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Police on Wednesday arrested three alleged drug peddlers and recovered cannabis from their possession in Jammu and Kashmir's Doda district, officials said. During routine patrolling and checking in the Kishtigarh area, police apprehended Mubashir Hussain, Muzamil Raja Beg, and Khalid Shah. Cannabis was recovered from their possession during the operation. A case has been registered under the relevant sections of law and further investigation is underway. Senior Superintendent of Police Sandeep Mehta supervised the anti-drug drive. Police reiterated their commitment to take strict action against drug peddlers and urged the public to share information related to drug trafficking.

Municipal Council Office, two houses gutted in midnight fire

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A single-storey Municipal Council office and two residential houses were gutted in a fire in Jammu and Kashmir's Kishtwar district, officials said on Wednesday. The fire broke out around midnight in the Municipal Council building located in the densely populated area of Kishtwar town and soon spread to two nearby houses, a spokesperson of the Fire and Emergency Services Department said. Three fire tenders were rushed to the spot and the blaze was brought under control after strenuous efforts. All three structures suffered extensive damage in the incident. Police have taken cognisance of the matter and launched an investigation to ascertain the exact cause of the fire.

Jammu (Rural) Police foil bovine smuggling bid; two bovines rescued in Akhnoor

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Continuing its crackdown under Operation Kamdhenu, Jammu (Rural) Police foiled a bovine smuggling attempt in the Akhnoor area. During naka checking laid by Police Station Akhnoor at Gulaba Chowk Dager, a load carrier (JK02DK-5973) travelling from Thandichoi towards Rajouri-Poonch was intercepted. The vehicle was being driven by Harman Singh, son of Narinder Singh, resident of Kaik Jagir Sohal, Akhnoor. During checking, two bovine animals were found inside the vehicle and the driver failed to produce valid permission from the District Magistrate for transporting them. Both bovines were rescued and the vehicle was seized. In this regard, FIR No. 53/2026 under Section 223 of the BNS and Section 11 of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act has been registered at Police Station Akhnoor. Further investigation is underway.

Public intoxication offender sentenced to community service

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In a notable action under the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), Border Police Post Gharkhal secured the conviction of an accused involved in public intoxication and disorderly conduct. The accused, Satpal, son of Daleep Singh, resident of Sidharwan Camp, Gharkhal, was found intoxicated and creating a nuisance in a public place within the jurisdiction of the Border Police Post. He was apprehended by the police, medically examined, and produced before the Court of JMJC Akhnoor. The court, adopting a reformative approach under Section 355 BNS, sentenced the accused to seven days of community service at the Court Complex Akhnoor. The action reflects the community-oriented approach of Jammu Police under the new criminal laws, emphasizing reform and constructive engagement for minor offences.

Kulgam Police inspect chemical and fertilizer shops

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Kulgam Police conducted inspections of chemical and fertilizer shops and garages across the district to prevent the misuse of agricultural chemicals and ensure compliance with safety regulations. Police teams carried out surprise inspections under the supervision of senior officers. The exercise focused on verifying stock records, sale registers, licenses, storage practices, and adherence to safety protocols to prevent illegal diversion or misuse of regulated materials. Kulgam Police stated that such inspection drives will continue to promote accountability, ensure lawful trade practices, and enhance public safety. Shopkeepers were advised to maintain proper documentation and extend full cooperation during inspections.

NIT Srinagar to host BIS-FOSS open standard summit on Mar 14

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The Computer Science and Engineering Department at National Institute of Technology Srinagar will host the "BIS - FOSS NIT Srinagar - Open Standard Summit" on March 14 (Saturday), bringing together experts from the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), industry professionals and students to deliberate on the role of open standards and open-source technologies in India's digital ecosystem. The event is being organised in collaboration with the institute's FOSS Club will feature technical talks, a hackathon and hands-on activities aimed at familiarising students with national standards frameworks and the evolving architecture of Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI).

According to organisers, experts from BIS and industry will deliver sessions on

India's Digital Public Infrastructure, open standards and enterprise Free and Open-Source Software (FOSS), highlighting how standards-based frameworks can strengthen interoperability, cybersecurity and scalability in digital platforms.

The summit will also feature a talk by S. Yasser Kazmi, founder of MYASA Network Solutions, who is expected to share insights on the evolution of internet and communication technologies in Jammu and Kashmir and the importance of adopting global technology standards. The organisers said interactions with industry practitioners and standards experts will give students insights into technology-led innovation, quality certification frameworks and the growing relevance of open standards in India's digital economy.

A key highlight of the summit will be the "Standard-a-

thon" hackathon, where students will work in teams to develop innovative applications focused on verification of ISI certification marks. The challenge aims to encourage technology-driven solutions that improve consumer awareness, product authenticity verification and compliance monitoring.

Organisers said the winners of the hackathon will be awarded cash prizes to recognise innovative ideas and encourage student participation in standards-related technological development. Participants will also take part in a Draft Standards Preparation Activity, simulating the process through which national standards are formulated. Students will draft proposed BIS standards for assigned products or problem statements, offering them practical exposure to how quality benchmarks are developed and implemented.

Sunil underscores need to preserve J&K's literary heritage, presented copy of Kulliyat-e-Janbaz

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Leader of Opposition in the J&K Legislative Assembly and MLA from Padder-Nagseni, Sunil Sharma, was presented a copy of Kulliyat-e-Janbaz, a comprehensive collection of poems by the noted Kishtwar poet Gulham Nabi Doolwal, popularly known by his poetic name Janbaz, at Jammu. The book was presented by Zubair Doolwal, son of the late poet, in the presence of prominent citizens from Kishtwar who had gathered on the occasion.

Speaking on the occasion, Sunil Sharma emphasized that the literary and cultural heritage of Jammu and Kashmir is immensely rich and diverse, particularly in the hilly and mountainous regions where centuries-old traditions, folklore, and literary expressions have flourished. He said that

poets and writers from regions such as Kishtwar and the wider hilly belt have played a vital role in preserving the cultural soul of society through their writings and artistic expressions.

Sharma appreciated the literary legacy of Janbaz and remarked that Kulliyat-e-Janbaz reflects the emotions, aspirations, and cultural ethos of the people of the region. He noted that the poet's work carries deep human values and a message of harmony, which continues to inspire readers and literary enthusiasts even today. The Leader of Opposition further stated that the Government led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has consistently laid strong emphasis on the promotion, preservation, and documentation of India's rich cultural and literary heritage. He said that the Union Government has

taken several initiatives to safeguard regional languages, literature, and artistic traditions so that the younger generations remain connected with their roots.

Sunil Sharma said that the cultural and historical legacy of the entire Union Territory, particularly the remote and hilly areas, deserves greater recognition and preservation. He stressed that literary works such as Kulliyat-e-Janbaz serve as valuable cultural treasures that help document the social, cultural, and emotional narratives of the people of Jammu and Kashmir.

He also appreciated the efforts of the family members and admirers of the late poet for compiling and presenting the collection, stating that such initiatives play an important role in keeping the literary heritage of the region alive for future generations.

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NOTIFICATION NO. PSC/EXAM/2026/02
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The below mentioned candidates have fully qualified the Excise & Commercial Taxes Part III Departmental Examination, 2025 as per details given below:-

S. No.	Name & Parentage of the candidate S/Shri	Notification No. & Date	Roll No.	Session	Paper passed
1.	Shalini Mehra D/O Sh. Birbal Mehra	PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	5	2025	A, B, C, D, E & F.
2.	Jaiपाल Singh Jamwal S/O Sh. Sukhdev Singh Jamwal	PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	6	2025	A, B, C, D, E & F.
3.	Mushtaq Ahmad Sheikh S/O Sh. Gh. Mohd. Sheikh	PSC/Exam/2021/10 Dated 15.02.2021 PSC/Exam/S/2024/25 Dated 28.05.2024 PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	38 5 14	2020 2023 2025	E & F B A, C & D
4.	Surinder Singh Pawar S/O Sh. Tarsem Singh Pawar	PSC/Exam/2021/10 Dated 15.02.2021 PSC/Exam/S/2024/25 Dated 28.05.2024 PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	12 13 15	2020 2023 2025	D, E & F B A & C
5.	Mahmood Ul Hassan S/O Sh. Gh. Hassan Rather	PSC/Exam/2021/10 Dated 15.02.2021 PSC/Exam/S/2024/25 Dated 28.05.2024 PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	11 33 18	2020 2023 2025	D B, E & F A & C
6.	Showkat Ahmad Bhat S/O Sh. Mohd. Shafi Bhat	PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	21	2025	A, B, C, D, E & F.
7.	Faheem Mehraj S/O Sh. Mehraj Ud Din Shaikh	PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	23	2025	A, B, C, D, E & F.
8.	Amir Aman S/O Sh. Amanullah	PSC/Exam/2016/12 Dated 22.01.2016 PSC/Exam/S/2024/25 Dated 28.05.2024 PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	14 61 25	October, 2015 2023 2025	A B, D & F C & E
9.	Gulrez Malik S/O Sh. Mohd. Sadiq Malik	PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	26	2025	A, B, C, D, E & F.
10.	Balwan Singh S/O Sh. Jagir Singh	PSC/Exam/S/2024/25 Dated 28.05.2024 PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	51 27	2023 2025	B & F A, C, D & E
11.	Mohd. Shakeel Khan S/O Sh. Nazir Hussain Khan	PSC/Exam/2014/22 Dated 12.03.2014 PSC/Exam/2019/68 Dated 22.10.2019 PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	32 19 28	September, 2013 2019 2025	A, B, C & D. E F
12.	Mehak Mahajan D/O Sh. Ashok Kumar Gupta	PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	30	2025	A, B, C, D, E & F.
13.	Aman Kumar S/O Sh. Sudhir Kumar	PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	34	2025	A, B, C, D, E & F.
14.	Nazia Sadeeqi D/O Sh. Mohd. Sadiq	PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	35	2025	Passes with 8 grace marks in Paper C.
15.	Monisah D/O Sh. Rafiq Ahmad	PSC/Exam/2018/34 Dated 24.05.2018 PSC/Exam/2019/68 Dated 22.10.2019 PSC/Exam/2021/10 Dated 15.02.2021 PSC/Exam/S/2024/25 Dated 28.05.2024 PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	5 26 45 60 43	December, 2017 2019 2020 2023 2025	B D E F C. Being Law graduate, exempted for appearing in Paper A.
16.	Maheep Sharma D/O Sh. Mohan Lal Sharma	PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	44	2025	A, B, C, D, E & F.
17.	Imran Ul Hassan S/O Sh. Ghulam Hassan Rather	PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	45	2025	A, B, C, D, E & F.
18.	Milan Gupta D/O Sh. Hans Raj Gupta	PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	47	2025	A, B, C, D, E & F.
19.	Sami Ullah Malik S/O Sh. Bashir Ahmad Malik	PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	48	2025	B, C, D, E & F. Being Law graduate, exempted for appearing in Paper A.
20.	Aadarsh Thakur S/O Sh. Romail Singh	PSC/Exam/2021/10 Dated 15.02.2021 PSC/Exam/S/2024/25 Dated 28.05.2024 PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	32 17 49	2020 2023 2025	D, E & F B A & C
21.	Bikramjeet Singh S/O Sh. Harcharan Singh	PSC/Exam/S/2024/25 Dated 28.05.2024 PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	58 54	2023 2025	B, C, E & F A & D
22.	Nareesh Sharma S/O Sh. Chowdhary Mal Sharma	PSC/Exam/2021/10 Dated 15.02.2021 PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	22 56	2020 2025	D, E & F A, B & C
23.	Sonali Sharma D/O Sh. Ram Rattan Sharma	PSC/Exam/2021/10 Dated 15.02.2021 PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	31 59	2020 2025	D & F A, B, C & E
24.	Sanjeev Singh Sen S/O Sh. Fulail Singh Sen	PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	62	2025	A, B, C, D, E & F.
25.	Uday Vir Singh S/O Sh. Virender Singh Blouria	PSC/Exam/S/2026/24 Dated 16.02.2026	63	2025	B, C, D, E & F. Being Law graduate, exempted for appearing in Paper A.

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