

IIM Jammu inaugurates seventh leadership development programme for Young SAIL Managers

Five-day programme to focus on leadership, action-oriented learning and contemporary management practices

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The Indian Institute of Management Jammu inaugurated the seventh edition of the Leadership Development Programme for Young Managers of Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL), being conducted from August 17 to 21, 2026, at the IIM Jammu campus. The five-day programme is designed to provide young managers with an immersive learning experience focused on leadership, practical application, new perspectives and action-oriented management practices. The training programme comprises 46 participants from SAIL.

The inaugural ceremony commenced with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp. The ceremony was presided over by Prof. Jabir Ali, Dean, Faculty & Research, IIM Jammu, in the presence of Shri Sanjay Dhar, Executive Director (HR-L&D), MTI SAIL, who joined online; Prof. Nitin Upadhyay, Dean Academics and Programme Director; and Prof. Prashant Mishra, Chairperson, Executive Education & Consultancy, IIM Jammu.

Addressing the participants online, Shri Sanjay Dhar, Executive Director (HR-L&D), MTI SAIL, congratulated them on being part of the programme and reflected on SAIL's journey of transformation and achievement. He encouraged the young managers to approach the programme with an open mind and a willingness to explore beyond their existing professional ecosystem.

He emphasised the importance of expanding one's



horizons, looking at challenges through different lenses and translating classroom learning into practical action. He further highlighted that the programme has been conceived as a journey-based and application-oriented learning experience, where concepts are connected with field realities and practical challenges. He urged the participants to approach their Action Learning Projects with sincerity and commitment, emphasising that even when an Action Learning Project does not yield the intended outcome, the process itself becomes an important opportunity for learning, reflection and improvement.

He encouraged the participants to make the most of their time at IIM Jammu, apply their minds, engage actively with faculty and peers, and return to their organisations with fresh ideas and renewed perspectives. He expressed gratitude to the faculty of IIM Jammu for facilitating the programme and highlighted the importance of the confluence of ideas between SAIL and IIM Jammu. Addressing the participants, Prof. Jabir Ali,

Dean, Faculty & Research, IIM Jammu, emphasised that meaningful management learning is not confined to the classroom. He highlighted the importance of Action Learning Projects and outcome-oriented training, where participants are encouraged to connect concepts with real organisational challenges.

He noted that this is the seventh Leadership Development Programme being conducted for SAIL and that nearly 300 participants have been trained through these programmes. He encouraged the participants to look beyond familiar perspectives, explore practices from other sectors and identify ideas that can be adapted to their own organisational context.

Drawing upon the spirit of "Manthan", he urged participants to engage deeply with the programme, extract as much learning as possible, document insights, and also learn from the perspectives of their peers. He emphasised that such an exchange of ideas can create a multiplier effect, benefiting both the participants and their organi-

sations. He also highlighted the strong association between IIM Jammu and SAIL, noting that such collaborations contribute to the growth and learning of both institutions. Prof. Prashant Mishra, Chairperson, Executive Education & Consultancy, IIM Jammu, provided an overview of IIM Jammu's Executive Education and Consultancy initiatives and highlighted the Institute's growing portfolio of training and leadership development programmes. He emphasised the importance of continuous learning and the need for professionals to unlearn, relearn and adapt in an increasingly dynamic business environment. Addressing the participants, Prof. Nitin Upadhyay, Dean Academics and Programme Director, IIM Jammu, highlighted the rapidly evolving dimensions of business and industry. He emphasised that as industries continue to expand vertically and business dimensions evolve horizontally, professionals need to continuously broaden their perspectives and remain prepared to navigate emerging challenges.

He expressed confidence that the five-day programme would provide participants with valuable insights, diverse perspectives and an enriching learning experience. The programme is being led by Prof. Nitin Upadhyay and Dr. Mamta Tripathi, Programme Directors, IIM Jammu. The inaugural ceremony concluded with the Vote of Thanks delivered by Shri Pardeep Saini, Programme Officer-Business Development, Executive Education and Consultancy, IIM Jammu, followed by the national anthem and a group photograph. The five-day Leadership Development Programme is envisioned as an immersive platform for young managers to strengthen leadership capabilities, broaden managerial perspectives, engage with contemporary management practices and develop solutions grounded in real-world organisational challenges. Through its continued partnership with SAIL, IIM Jammu remains committed to creating impactful executive education experiences that combine academic rigour, industry relevance and experiential learning, enabling professionals to lead with greater confidence, clarity and purpose. The programme reinforces IIM Jammu's commitment to strengthening industry-academia collaboration and developing future-ready leaders equipped to navigate complexity, embrace transformation and create sustained organisational impact. The training programme is being coordinated by IIM Jammu's Executive Education and Consultancy.

NSF pays tribute to Madan Lal Dhingra on his 117th death anniversary

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National Secular Forum (NSF), organized a program in University Campus and on the Death anniversary of Madan Lal Dhingra who laid his life for the country. Amid patriotic slogans of "Madan Lal Dhingra Amar Rahe," "Inquilab Zindabad," and "Bharat Mata Ki Jai," NSF activists paid rich tributes to the great revolutionary by garlanding his portrait and planting saplings in his memory, symbolizing their commitment to preserving both the nation's heritage and environment.

Ankush Abrol Provincial Joint Secretary JKNC was the chief guest while Dr. Vikas Sharma Coordinator and Zonal Secretary JKNC, presided over the function and Vikshay Vashist State Working President NSF, was the guest of honour. Speaking on the occasion, Ankush Abrol appreciated the initiative taken by the National Secular Forum to organize the programme in honour of Shaheed Madan Lal Dhingra. He said that the tree plantation drive was a meaningful tribute to the great revolutionary and urged the youth to draw inspiration from the ideals of patriotism, courage, and selfless service exemplified by Madan Lal Dhingra. He further added that the sacrifices of the



freedom fighters should always be remembered, as their courage laid the foundation of an independent India. Speaking on the occasion Dr Vikas Sharma threw light on the life history of Madan Lal Dhingra and appreciated the efforts of NSF. He also said that we all should take oath not to sit silent and continue our endeavor to regain Jammu and Kashmir State. He further said that J&K suffered immensely due to misadventures of the Centre. Post abrogation of statehood people here were suffering due to rising unemployment, inflation and discrimination. Dr Sharma urged the youth to come together on a single platform to push for this demand. NC would leave no stone

untuned to achieve statehood for J&K.

Speaking on the occasion, Vikshay Vashist threw light on the life of martyr Madan Lal Dhingra who was born in Punjab. He went to London in 1906 to study engineering. His father, Dr Ditta Mal, retired as the Government Civil Surgeon and had twenty-one houses in Katra Sher Singh and six bungalows on G.T. Road. He also said that Thirty-one years later Udhham Singh followed the same path and was executed on July 31, 1940 under almost similar circumstances. Irfan Ahmed, Chairman, NSF University Unit, delivered the welcome address and highlighted the importance of remembering the sacrifices of the nation's.

DSS extends solidarity to sportspersons seeking justice, transparency and fair recognition

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The members of the Working Committee of Dogra Sadar Sabha (DSS) accompanied by the office-bearers of the Youth Wing, today visited the ongoing protest by sportspersons at the Maharaja Hari Singh Ji Statue, Jammu, and expressed solidarity with the protestors seeking justice, transparency and fair recognition of their sporting achievements.

The delegation met the protesting sportspersons, heard their grievances and assured them of the Sabha's support in their peaceful pursuit of justice.

Interacting with the protesters, Col. Karan Singh (Retd.), President DSS, said the issue concerns not merely employment but the dignity of sportspersons, sanctity of

merit and the confidence of Jammu and Kashmir's youth in the system.

Adv. Gambhir Dev Singh Charak, Working President DSS, called upon the Government to engage with the protesting athletes and players without further delay and establish a credible, impartial and time-bound mechanism to mitigate their grievances. The Sabha maintained that any genuine discrepancies or irregularities, if established, must be addressed through appropriate corrective action.

The members of the Youth Wing of DSS also called for a structural overhaul of the Sports Quota framework, with annual recruitment, transparent merit scoring, an independent grievance mechanism and a stronger dedicated Sports Cadre, so that deserving athletes are not

denied opportunities due to administrative delays, vacancies or procedural ambiguity. Merit must be transparent, verifiable and protected.

The Sabha made it clear that its intervention is above politics and focused solely on justice, merit and the interests of Jammu and Kashmir's youth. The delegation also appealed to the protesting athletes to maintain peace and discipline and urged the authorities to remain sensitive to the health and well-being of those undertaking hunger strike.

The delegation comprised of GA Khwaja (DC Retd.), Arvinder Singh Ann (Addl. Gen. Secy.), Amanat Ali Shah (President Anjuman-e-Imamia), Tanishq (President, Youth Wing), Akhileshwar (Vice-President), Brig. V S Dheman, Ravi Singh Slathia, Rajey Jamwal and others.

Prof. Bhim Singh remembered on birth anniversary

Panthers Party pledges to fight for public justice

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In a deeply moving tribute to the towering legacy of Prof. Bhim Singh (17 August 1941 – 31 May 2022), founder and chief patron of the Jammu & Kashmir National Panthers Party (JKNPP), JKNPP bhim leaders, workers, admirers, and family members gathered at the party headquarters in Jammu to commemorate his birth anniversary as Haq-Insaf Divas.

The atmosphere was charged with emotion and pride as floral tributes were offered during the Shradhanjali Sabha, honouring the legendary political stalwart, Senior Advocate of the Supreme Court, and tireless champion of human rights whose entire life was dedicated to the pursuit of justice, equality, and public service.

Addressing the gathering, J&K National Panthers Party (Bhim) President Vilakshan

Singh described Prof. Bhim Singh as an uncompromising political titan and jurist who never wavered in the face of adversity. He noted that Prof. Singh was a statesman of rare integrity whose relentless courtroom battles and grassroots activism made him a beacon of hope for undertrials, the oppressed, and marginalized sections of society across the country, adding that his passing has left an irreplaceable void in the socio-political landscape of Jammu & Kashmir.

Speakers recalled Prof. Singh's monumental legal and political contributions spanning over five decades. As Executive Chairman of the State Legal Aid Committee and through landmark cases—including the historic Bhim Singh vs. State of J&K (1985)—he set enduring precedents for civil liberties and compensation against illegal detention, while securing the release of hundreds of languishing pris-

oners pro bono. He was also remembered for his steadfast opposition to discriminatory legislation, including the Resettlement Act and measures affecting the property and citizenship rights of women.

Vilakshan Singh appealed to the people of Jammu & Kashmir to rally behind the J&K National Panthers Party (Bhim) to realize the unfinished mission of Prof. Bhim Singh. Reaffirming the party's commitment to secular values, regional empowerment, and constitutional justice, he emphasized that the party remains dedicated to safeguarding the rights and aspirations of every citizen in the Union Territory.

Other prominent leaders and well-wishers who paid heartfelt tributes at the event included Naresh Chib, Rajesh Gondhi, Sanju Bhagat, Rakesh Gupta, Naresh Sambyal, Sanjeev Verma, Rohit Sharma, Rajan Jamwal and others.

Congress must respect spirit of 'Vande Mataram': Arun

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Senior BJP leader and spokesperson Arun Kumar Gupta on Monday strongly criticised the Congress over what he described as disrespect towards the national song 'Vande Mataram', asserting that political parties must rise above partisan considerations when dealing with symbols that represent the nation's history, freedom struggle and national sentiment. Gupta said the Congress should first study and understand the historical meaning and significance of 'Vande Mataram' before making political arguments around it. He urged the party to explain to the people of India the circumstances and reasons behind what he termed an alleged act of disrespect towards the national song in parliament.

"Congress must first study the meaning of 'Vande Mataram' and understand why it occupies such a revered place in the history of India's freedom struggle. Before making political statements, the Congress should explain to the nation why such conduct was displayed towards a national symbol," Gupta said.

He said 'Vande Mataram' is not merely a collection of



words or a political slogan, but has a deep historical association with India's freedom movement. Generations of freedom fighters drew inspiration from the song during the struggle against British rule, and its place in India's national consciousness cannot be separated from that history, he added.

Gupta said political differences are a natural part of democracy, but national symbols should not become instruments of political confrontation. "Countries are not governed by personal whims, political convenience or individual interpretations. Governance and public life require respect for institutions, national values and the sentiments of citizens," he said. The BJP spokesperson challenged the Congress leadership to make its position clear before the people

and avoid what he called "selective outrage" on issues concerning nationalism and national symbols. He said that if the party believes in respecting the country's heritage, it should demonstrate that commitment through its words and conduct.

Gupta further said that the younger generation needs to be educated about the historical contribution of 'Vande Mataram' and its connection with India's freedom movement. Instead of politicising the issue, political parties should encourage awareness about the country's history and the sacrifices made by freedom fighters, he added.

He appealed to all political parties to maintain dignity while discussing national symbols and to ensure that political disagreements do not undermine the sentiments attached to them. "The people of India deserve an explanation. Congress should tell the nation why the dignity of 'Vande Mataram' was not respected and should clarify its position without ambiguity," Gupta said. He concluded by asserting that respect for the nation, its history and its symbols should remain above party politics, and called upon the Congress to introspect and provide a clear explanation to the people.

Samba Police foils bovine smuggling attempt; one smuggler arrested, 14 bovines rescued

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Intensifying its sustained campaign against bovine smugglers and their propagators, Samba Police has successfully foiled a bovine smuggling attempt within the jurisdiction of Police Station Ghagwal by arresting a bovine smuggler and rescuing fourteen bovines. The vehicle used for the illegal transportation of the bovines was also seized. A police team of Police Station Ghagwal, while conducting routine vehicle checking at Naka NHW Tapyal, intercepted a container truck bearing registration number HP38H-7827, which was coming from the Kathua side. During search and checking, fourteen bovines were found inside the vehicle. The bovines had allegedly been tied in a cruel manner and were being transported illegally without any valid permission. The driver of the vehicle, identified as Manzoor Ahmad, son of Fateh Mohd, resident of Khanpur Nagrota, District Jammu, was apprehended on the spot and taken into custody. All the bovines were rescued and the vehicle used for their transportation was also seized by the Police. In this connection, a case, FIR No. 82/2026 under Section 223 of the BNS and Section 11 of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, has been registered at Police Station Ghagwal and investigation has been initiated. Samba Police reiterated its firm commitment to taking strict legal action against individuals involved in bovine smuggling and other organised illegal activities.

Jammu Police solves theft case; stolen property worth Rs 2 Lakhs recovered, two accused arrested in Bathindi

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Jammu Police has successfully solved a theft case with the arrest of two accused persons and recovery of stolen property worth approximately Rs 2 lakhs by Police Post Bathindi. On August 11, 2026, a complaint was received at Police Post Bathindi regarding theft at the residence of Sh. Bashir Ahmed Bari, son of Ashan, resident of Dooru, District Anantnag, presently residing at Bathindi. Acting promptly on the complaint, FIR No. 254/2026 under Sections 331(4) and 305(A) of the BNS was registered at Police Station Bahu Fort and investigation was taken up. During the course of investigation, the police team of Police Post Bathindi conducted sustained investigation and developed specific leads regarding the involvement of the accused persons. Based on the available evidence, accused arrested were Saqib Malik, son of Shajad Parvez, resident of Malik Market, Jammu. Harmit Raja, son of Parvez Raja, resident of District Kishtwar, presently residing at Gujjar Nagar, Jammu. During questioning, the accused persons disclosed their involvement in the commission of the theft. On the basis of their disclosure statements and subsequent investigation, stolen property worth approximately Rs 2 lakhs was recovered from their possession/at their instance. The recovered stolen property includes 07 Gas Cylinders, 04 Gas Stoves, 02 Tap Mixers, 10 Taps, 01 Blanket, 02 LED TVs, 01 Washbasin, 02 Induction Heaters, 20 Concealed Bulbs, 10 MCBs, 01 Carpet, 02 Rice Cookers.

Woman dies, husband injured after Scooty-Car collision in Kathua

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A woman died while her husband sustained injuries after the scooty they were travelling on was hit by an Alto car near Hiranagar Morh in Kathua district on Monday, officials said. An official said that the accident occurred near a petrol pump at Hiranagar Morh when an Alto car collided with the scooty. He said that in the incident, the woman was killed while her husband sustained injuries. Both were shifted to a hospital, where the woman later succumbed to her injuries. The deceased was identified as Reena Devi, 42, wife of Ranjeet Kumar, while her injured husband was identified as Ranjeet Kumar, 51, son of Gian Chand. Both were residents of Ghagwal in Samba district. Meanwhile, an investigation has been initiated, and further proceedings are underway, officials said.

Samba Police cracks attempt to murder case at Supwal; accused arrested within 48 hours

Weapon of offence recovered after sustained investigation and technical assistance

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SAMBA, AUG 17:

In a significant breakthrough in the investigation of an attempt to murder case, Samba Police has arrested the accused allegedly involved in the murderous attack on a woman at Chak Ram Chand, Supwal, within 48 hours under the jurisdiction of Police Station Samba. On August 15, 2026, Nasib Singh, son of Mohinder Singh, resident of Raika Labana, Tehsil Ramgarh, District Samba, lodged a written application at Police Post Supwal stating that his sister, Manjeet Kour, was present at her matrimonial/in-laws' residence at Chak Ram Chand and was allegedly attacked by her brother-in-law, Kulwant Singh, with a sharp-edged weapon (Darat) on her head, causing serious injuries. At the time of the incident, her mother-in-law, Surinder Kour, was also present in the house. As per the complaint, Manjeet Kour had allegedly been threatened earlier with dire

consequences, including threats to her life. Following the attack, the injured woman was immediately shifted to AIIMS Vijaypur for medical treatment. The complainant further alleged that the incident was pre-planned and that the husband of the injured woman, Barkat Singh, son of Mohinder Singh, and her sister-in-law, Satnam Kour, wife of Charanjit Singh, resident of Biru Chak Chadwal, District Kathua, were allegedly involved in the conspiracy. Acting swiftly on the complaint, a case, FIR No. 233/2026 under Sections 109, 115(2), 3(5) and 61(2) of the BNS and Sections 4/25 of the Arms Act, was registered at Police Station Samba and investigation was taken up. After the commission of the offence, the accused allegedly fled from the spot along with the weapon of offence, prompting the investigating team to launch immediate efforts for his apprehension. Taking cognizance of the seriousness of the matter, SSP

Samba constituted a special team to ensure speedy investigation of the case and apprehension of the accused. Accordingly, a dedicated police team of Police Post Supwal of Police Station Samba launched sustained efforts to trace and apprehend the accused.

Following meticulous investigation, technical assistance and sustained field efforts, the police team succeeded in locating and arresting accused Kulwant Singh, son of Mohinder Singh, resident of Chak Ram Chand, Supwal, from Barian Supwal within 48 hours. Further, on the basis of the disclosure made by the arrested accused, the weapon of offence, i.e. a Darat, was recovered by the police team. Further investigation into the case is going on. The arrest and recovery reflect the swift and coordinated efforts of Samba Police in responding to serious offences and pursuing the accused despite his alleged attempt to evade arrest.

NSS Unit 'Prabha', GDC Ramgarh organizes poster-making activity on Swachhta

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The NSS Unit 'Prabha' of Government Degree College (GDC) Ramgarh organised a poster-making activity on the theme of Swachhta (Cleanliness) to create awareness among students about the importance of cleanliness, hygiene, and environmental responsibility. The programme was conducted under the esteemed guidance of the Principal, Dr. Meeru Abrol and was coordinated by NSSPO Dr. Snobar.

NSS volunteers enthusiastically participated in the activity and presented creative posters highlighting the significance of maintaining clean surroundings, avoiding littering, proper waste disposal, and adopting cleanli-

ness as a daily habit. The competition was judged by Prof. Sandeep Kumari and Dr. Shivali Panigotra. First position was secured by Riya Devi of Sem V, the second position was secured by Sonika Devi of Sem V and the third position was bagged by Kajal Devi of Sem V. The activity aimed to sensitise students and encourage them to become responsible citizens and ambassadors of the Swachh Bharat Mission. The programme concluded with a message to the students to actively contribute towards keeping the college campus and community clean and healthy. The Principal appreciated the efforts of the NSS Unit 'Prabha' and the participating volunteers for their active involvement in promoting the message of cleanliness.