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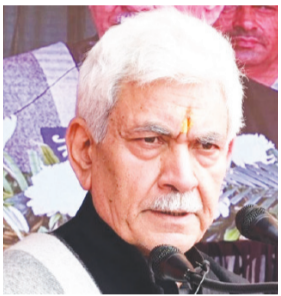
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BRIEFLY

J&K LG Manoj Sinha pays tribute to 26/11 martyrs



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JAMMU, Nov 26: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Tuesday paid tribute to those who lost their lives in the dastardly 26/11 Mumbai terror attack.

In a post on X, LG Sinha wrote, "My heartfelt tributes to those who lost their lives in the dastardly 26/11 Mumbai terror attack. I salute the valour of our Bravehearts of security forces and those individuals who fought valiantly to save lives and to protect the sovereignty and integrity of the motherland."

Three-day wet weather likely to bring rain, snowfall over J&K from Nov 30: MeT

SRINAGAR, Nov 26 (Agencies): The Meteorological Centre on Tuesday predicted a three-day wet weather event beginning at the end of this month that can bring rain and snow to scattered to fairly widespread places over Jammu and Kashmir.

The MeT office said the weather will generally remain dry till November 29, and from the evening of November 30, there is a possibility of light rain and light snow over the higher reaches and at isolated places.

The weather is very likely to remain inclement during December 1 and 2 with the possibility of light rain and light snow over the higher reaches and at the scattered to fairly widespread places over Jammu and Kashmir, the MeT office said, and added the weather will remain dry hereafter till December 6.

The cold weather condition continued to grip the Kashmir Valley, and barring Srinagar and Kokernag, the night temperature remained below freezing point at other weather stations, with the hill resorts of Gulmarg and Pahalgam

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President Murmu pays homage to bravehearts who lost lives in Mumbai terror attack

NEW DELHI, Nov 26 (Agencies): President Droupadi Murmu on Tuesday paid homage to the bravehearts who lost their lives in the 2008 Mumbai terror attack and said India remained firmly committed to defeating terrorism in all its forms.

Ten Lashkar-e-Taiba terrorists from Pakistan arrived by sea on November 26, 2008, and killed 166 people, including 18 security person-



nel, during a 60-hour siege in Mumbai. "On the anniversary of the cowardly terror

attacks in Mumbai on 26th November, 2008, I join the entire nation in

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Centre approves Rs 1,115 Crore to States for disaster mitigation, capacity-building projects



NEW DELHI, Nov 26 (Agencies): A high-level committee, headed by Union Home Minister Amit Shah, has approved Rs 1,000 crore for various disaster mitigation and capacity-

building projects in 15 states.

The committee also approved another project for training and capacity building of civil defence volunteers in all states and Union ter-

ritories at a total outlay of Rs 115.67 crore, according to an official statement.

According to an official statement, a sum of Rs 139 crore each was approved for Uttarakhand and Himachal Pradesh, Rs 100 crore for Maharashtra, Rs 72 crore each for Karnataka and Kerala, Rs 50 crore each for Tamil Nadu and West Bengal, and Rs 378 crore for the eight Northeastern states — Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram,

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'Disheartening' to see Country's largest minority facing 'Unprecedented Threats', Says Mehbooba

SRINAGAR, Nov 26 (Agencies): PDP chief Mehbooba Mufti on Tuesday said it was "disheartening" that the country's largest minority was facing "unprecedented threats" as it celebrated Constitution Day.

The People's Democratic Party (PDP) supreme referred to the violence in Uttar Pradesh's Sambhal, where four people died during protests against a court-ordered survey of



a Mughal-era mosque. The government on Tuesday kick-started yearlong celebrations to mark the 75th anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution.

"Today, as we celebrate Constitution Day, it is disheartening to

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Four drug peddlers nabbed in Reasi, heroin recovered



JAMMU, Nov 26 (Agencies): Four drug peddlers were arrested in Jammu and Kashmir's Reasi district on Tuesday and heroin was recovered from them,

officials said. Acting on a tip-off, a police team intercepted a vehicle at Sula Naka area during its journey from Katra, they said. The officials said that

upon thorough checking of the vehicle, heroin was recovered from the occupants — Anil Sharma, Shubham Singh, Vivek Raina and Kamal Kumar.

All the accused are residents of Reasi, they said, adding that a case has been registered against them.

Further investigation is underway to unearth the forward and backward linkages of the arrested individuals, the officials said.

Cop killed as car plunges into deep gorge in Kathua



JAMMU, Nov 26 (Agencies): A policeman was killed when his private car skidded off the road and plunged into a deep gorge in Jammu and Kashmir's Kathua district on Tuesday, officials said.

Selection grade constable Liaqat Ali of 2009 batch was on way to his home in Bani area when he lost control of his car, resulting in the vehicle plunging into a gorge near Kardoh village this afternoon, they said.

The body was recovered by the rescuers and shifted to a sub-district hospital for postmortem, they said.

Dr Farooq, Omar Abdullah other NC leaders arrive in Madina for Umrah Pilgrimage



SRINAGAR, Nov 26 (Agencies): Senior leaders of the National Con-

ference (NC), including Party President Dr. Farooq Abdullah and

Chief Minister Omar Abdullah, have arrived in the holy city of Madina to undertake the sacred Umrah pilgrimage.

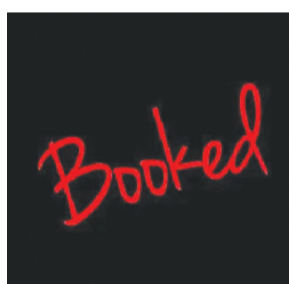
The NC leader, which also includes prominent NC leaders Nasir Wani, Javed Dar, Tanvir Sadiq, and Mushtaq Guroo, is visiting the two holy cities of Madina and Mecca as part of their spiritual journey.

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Five landlords booked for renting out properties to Rohingya people in Jammu

SRINAGAR, Nov 26 (Agencies): The Jammu and Kashmir Police has booked five landlords for "knowingly or unknowingly" renting out property to persons from the Rohingya community in Jammu.

Separate FIRs were registered against them under section 223 (failure to comply with order issued by public servant) of BNS. The



cases against two of them were filed in Nowabad police station and against the three others at Bahu Fort police sta-

tion, reported The Indian Express.

Pointing out that "Jammu police have initiated a comprehensive investigation in this regard", police said the Rohingya persons that the landlords had rented property to were "undocumented and pose a potential security threat".

The Rohingya are refugees from Myanmar. Police described the

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TENTH DAY

"THOSE WE LOVE AND LOOSE ARE ALWAYS CONNECTED BY HEARTSTRINGS INTO INFINITY"

WE PAY OUR RESPECTFUL HOMAGE AND PRAY FOR ETERNAL PEACE ON **10TH DAY** OF OUR BELOVED **DADDY JI SH. TARA CHAND** ON 27TH NOVEMBER, 2024, AT 11:00 AM AT OUR RESIDENCE, MANGAL NAGAR, PATTA PALOURA, JAMMU. **DEEPLY REMEMBERED BY- SON & DAUGHTER-IN-LAW:- DR. RAJ KUMAR AND PROF. REWA LAKHNOTRA DAUGHTERS AND SONS-IN-LAW:- SMT. PRAVEEN & SH. VIJAY KUMAR SMT. SEEMA RANI & SH. BODH RAJ SMT USHA RANI & SH. BUNTY MEHRA CONTACT NO:- 9419229430 9419245547**



SH. TARA CHAND

13TH DAY

With profound grief and sorrow, we regret to inform the sad demise of our beloved mother **Late Smt Leela Devi** W/o Lt. Sh. Bishambar Dass Kohli R/o H. No.98, Fattu Chowgan, Jammu. **KRIYA** shall be performed at our residence on 27th November 2024 (Wednesday) at 12 Noon onwards and **UTHALA** at Nek Chand Bhawan (Jain Hall) Near Rani Park, Kothi Chawri, Jammu on 27 November, 2024 (Wednesday) at 4 to 5 PM. **GRIEF STRICKEN:** Ashok Kumar Kohli, JKAS and Rita Kohli (Son and Daughter-in-law) Bansil Kohli and Jyoti Kohli (Son and Daughter-in-law) (Son-in-Law and Daughters) Lt. Sh. Devinder Heera and Smt. Veishno Heera Sh. Satish Anand and Smt. Vijay Anand Ms. Veena Kohli **Grand Sons and Grand Daughters:** Kapil Kohli and Komal Kohli Rahul Kohli and Sunali Kohli Vikas Arora and Priyanka Arora Kapish Kohli Menik Kohli **Great Grand Sons and Grand Daughters:** Ashvika, Advik, Vedant, Adhyaksh, Anaya **Mob.:- 9419148565, 9419138736, 6006149519**



Late Smt Leela Devi

TENTH DAY/KRIYA/UTHALA

With profound grief and sorrow we inform the sad demise of our beloved **Smt. Savitri Devi** W/o Lt. Shri Uttam Chand H.No. 123 Panjirthi (Jmu). **Tenth Day** will be performed on 25-11-2024 (Monday) at our residence, Rani Talab at 11.00 a.m. **Kriya** will be performed on 26-11-2024 (Tuesday) at our residence. **Uthala** will be performed on 27-11-2024 (Wednesday) from 3 to 4 pm at Swam Kant Sabha Opp. Saha Narayan Mandir Panjirthi. **Grief Stricken** **Son** Lt. Sh. Rattan Kumar Sharma Sh. Tilak Raj Sharma **Retd. Head Clerk (PHE)** **Grand Son:** Rajesh Sharma, Karun Sharma **Ph. No.:- 9469220260, 9419226252, 8716048710**



Smt. Savitri Devi

13TH DAY KRIYA

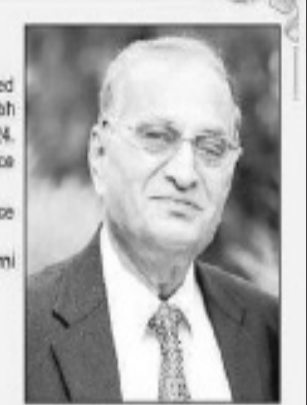
Our Hearts still with sadness and may tears still flow. What it meant to loose you, no one will ever know. We hold you close within our hearts and there you will remain to walk with us throughout our lives until we meet again. Our Angle, the soul of our family passed away peacefully to merge with eternity on 15th Nov. 2024 at Jammu. **13th Day Kriya** will be held at our residence, H.No. 36/B, L.No. 20, Bhawani Nagar, Janipur Jammu on 27 Nov. 2024 at 8.00 am. **GRIEF STRICKEN** **Subash Chander - Husband** **Sourabh & Rajat - Sons** **7006963530 / 8492008045 / 8493025267**



Renu Kotwal (Master High School Seri Bhaderwah)

TENTH DAY/KRIYA/UTHALA

With profound grief and sorrow, we regret to inform the sad demise of our beloved **Sh. Biraj Bhushan Sharma (Retd. Chief Engineer)** S/o Late Sh. Padam Nabh Sharma & Late Smt. Jayanti Sharma left for his heavenly abode on 19th Nov. 2024. **TENTH DAY** will be observed on 28th Nov. (Thursday) at 11:30 AM at our residence House No.278, Sector 2, Channi Himmat, Jammu. **KRIYA** will be performed on 29th Nov. (Friday) at 12 O'clock (Noon) at our residence House No.278, Sec. 2, Channi Himmat, Jammu. **UTHALA** will be held on 29th Nov. 2024 (Friday) at Paanoh Mandir, Sector 2, Channi Himmat, Jammu from 4 PM to 5 PM. **GRIEF STRICKEN** **Smt. Renu Sharma (Wife)** **Sister-in-law and Brother** **Smt. Preeti & Sh. Biraj Mohan Sharma (JKAS Retd.).** **Smt. Ruby & Sh. B.R. Sharma (IAS Retd.).** **Sister & Brother-in-law** **Smt. Dev Lata (IAS Retd.) & Dr. Ramashwer Sharma.** **Smt. Adarsh & Ansh. B.V. Sharma.** **Dr. Rama & Dr. Pradeep Sharma.** **Daughter & Son-in-law** **Smt. Divya & Sh. Shoken Sharma.** **Daughter:** Anandita Sharma **Nephews:** Pranav, Anand, Divansh, Aditya, Ayushman, Rajdeep, Amritya, Ratandeep. **Contact No. 09419160916; 09419180655**



SH. BIJAJ BHUSHAN SHARMA (Retd. Chief Engineer)

BHOG / ANTIM ARDAS

With profound grief & sorrow we deeply regret to inform the tragic demise of **Sardar Sukhchain Singh** S/o Late Lamberdar S. Bhola Singh R/o Village Ajote Teh Haveli Distt Poonch who left for heavenly abode on 19-11-2024. **Arambh Shri Akhand Path Sahib** at 9:00 am on 26-11-2024 (Tuesday) **Bhog Shri Akhand Path Sahib** at 9:00 am on 28-11-2024 (Thursday) **Antim Ardass** will be performed at 12:30 pm on 28-11-2024 at our residence. **Followed by Guru Ka Largar** **Grief Stricken** **Sd. Rajinder Kour (Wife)** **S. Parvinder Singh (JE Mainst JPDCL) (Son)** **S. Amarpal Singh (Panchayat Account Assistant) (Son)** **ALL FAMILY MEMBERS** **0622006838, 9797567474**



Sardar Sukhchain Singh

10TH DAY

With profound grief & sorrow, we regret to inform the sad demise of our beloved **Lt. Sh. Vijay Kumar** S/o Lt. Sh. Dina Nath R/o H.No. 333, Old Rehari Jammu. **Tenth Day** will be performed on Wednesday the 27th of November 2024 at Nabardas Mandir Dogra Hall Jammu from 10 AM onwards. **GRIEF STRICKEN** **Nilma Devi - Wife** **Sachin, Suraj - Sons** **Rashmi, Anjali, Preeti, Kajal - Daughters** **No. 8803263850**



Lt. Sh. Vijay Kumar

TENTH DAY/UTHALA

With profound grief and sorrow, we regret to inform the sad demise of our beloved **Sh. Rakesh Gandotra (Babbi)** S/o Late Sh. Hem Raj Gandotra R/o Ward no 5, Reasi. **Tenth Day** shall be performed at Saran Dharam Sabha, Reasi on Sunday 24th Nov, 2024 at 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM. **Uthala** shall be performed at Saran Dharam Sabha, Reasi on Wednesday, 27th Nov, 2024 at 3:30 PM. **Grief Stricken:** **Rita Gandotra - Wife** **Son and Daughter-in-law** **Sumit Gandotra and Sarthi Gandotra** **Daughter and Son in law** **Sonia Pandohard Tarun Pandoh** **Prabha Kohli - Sister** **Brother and Bhabhi** **Ramesh Gandotra and Shashi Gandotra** **Nareesh Gandotra and Sunita Gandotra** **Grand Children's:** Seha, Myra, Chickoo **Contact No. Sumit - 9469606200, 9419168080, 9419187733**



Sh. Rakesh Gandotra (Babbi)

TENTH DAY/KRIYA/RASAM PAGRI

With profound grief and sorrow, we regret to inform the sad demise of our beloved mother **Smt. Suraksha Kumari** (W/o Late Sh. Madan Lal Saliada), who left us for her Heavenly Abode on 16th November 2024. **TENTH DAY:** Will be performed on Monday, 25th November 2024 at our residence, Ward No. 4, Hiranagar, at 11:00 AM. **KRIYA:** Will be held at our residence, Ward No. 4, Hiranagar, at 12:00 noon on 26th November 2024. **RASAM PAGRI:** Will be held at our residence, Ward No. 4, Hiranagar, on 27th November 2024. **Grief Stricken** **Sons and Daughters-in-law** **Ashok Sumbria & Aurna Kumari** **Chander Kishore Basotra & Karuna Basotra** **Rajesh Pandey & Jyoti** **Harsh Vardhan & Rachna Pathania** **Dheeraj Saliada & Neelam Dogra** **Mobile: 9 622230993**



SMT. SURAKSHA KUMARI

TENTH DAY KRIYA

With profound grief and sorrow, we regret to inform the sad demise of our beloved father **Sh. Shashi Pal Choudhary** S/o Lt. Munshi Ram R/o H.No. F/260-B, Lane No. 2, Rajpura, Mangotrian, Jammu. **Date of Death:** 18/11/2024 **Tenth Day Kriya** will be performed at Vishwakarma Mandir, Gurha Morh, Near Police Station Bakshi Nagar, Jammu on 27/11/2024 at 11.00 am. **GRIEF STRICKEN** **Smt. Birna Devi - Wife** **Daughter & Son-in-law** **Mrs. Shinam & Rakesh Choudhary** **Mrs. Shivani & Manoj Kumar - Daughter & Son-in-law** **Ms Sonali Choudhary - Daughter** **Mr. Neeraj Choudhary - Son (7006542218)** **Mr. Dheeraj Choudhary - Son (7006488608)**



Sh. Shashi Pal Choudhary

FIFTH DAY

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform the sad demise of our beloved **Jija ji Sh Sat Pal Sharma (Retd Tehsildar)** R/o Rehari Colony Jammu. **Fifth Day** will be performed on 27-11-2024 at Rani Park Talab Jammu from 10:00 AM to 11 AM. **Grief Stricken:** **Tripta Sharma - Wife** **Sisters-in law Brother in laws** **Smt Vijay & Sanjay Dubey** **Smt Shashi & Anoop Dubey** **9419188336, 9419193453** **Nephews** **Smt Vaishali & Sahil Dubey** **Mr Anuvabh Dubey**



Sh Sat Pal Sharma (Retd Tehsildar)

TENTH DAY KRIYA

With profound grief and sorrow we regret to inform the sad demise of our beloved **Usha Koul (Jad)** originally from 1446 Khah Bazar, Anantnag (Kmr.) presently at 1703, Kalyppo Court, Sector 128, Noida-201304, who attained Moksha during the early hours on 23rd Nov. 2024 at Noida (U.P) **10TH, 11TH & 12TH DAY KRIYA** will be performed from the 1st. December 24 (Sunday) to 3rd. December 24 (Tuesday) at Haridwar (Uttarakhand). **Ravi Koul (Husband)** **M - 9779005697** **Rohit Koul (Son)** **M - 9999423776**



USHA KOUL (JAD)

TENTH DAY/KRIYA/UTHALA

"Your life was blessing, Your memory a treasure, You are loved beyond words and missed beyond measure..." **With profound grief and sorrow, we regret to inform the sad demise of Major Dalip Singh.** **TENTH DAY KRIYA** will be performed on Saturday 23 Nov 2024@ 10 AM. **THIRTEENTH DAY KRIYA** will be performed on Tuesday 26 Nov 2024@10 AM. **RASAM PAGRI** will be performed on Wednesday 27 Nov 2024 at our residence, Mandi Sangwli @ 2:30 PM. **GRIEF STRICKEN** **Smt. Shakuntla Devi - Wife** **Smt. Neelam Sambhal - Daughter-in-law** **Colonel Sunil Singh - Son** **Smt. Asha Sambhal - Daughter-in-law** **Smt. Sanita Bandral & Asstt Comdt Pramod Bandral - Daughter & Son-in-law** **Grand Children & Great Grand Children**



MAJOR DALIP SINGH BORN ON 16TH DEC 1921 EXP. ON 14TH NOV 2024

10TH DAY KRIYA

With profound grief and sorrow, we regret to inform the sad demise of our beloved father **Shri Raj Kumar Raina** S/o Late Mohisher Nath Raina erst-while of Gairco Noorpora (Awantipora), Kashmir presently at Jammu on 19th November 2024. **10th Day Kriya** will be performed at Muthi Ghat near Director Education Jammu on 28th November 2024 at 10.00 am. **The Mourning** is being observed at Durga Nagar Sector 1, near JMC Park, Lane F (Migrant Zonal Office Lane). **GRIEF STRICKEN** **Harminder Raina (Son)** 9611471525 **Diksha / Shailu Raina & Mohit Baru - Daughter & Son-in-law** **Samast Raina, Bhat, Koul Parivar** (7889621956)



Shri Raj Kumar Raina

TENTH DAY- KRIYA- RASAM PAGRI

With profound grief we wish to inform you the sad demise of our beloved mother **Smt Chanchala Devi** W/o Lt Sh. Jai Krishan Verma (Ramu Waley) left for heavenly abode on 15th Nov. 2024. **10th Day** will be performed on Sunday 24th Nov 2024 at Shanti Ghat Bhagwati Nagar at 10 am. **Kriya** will be held at home H.No. 50 Bhagwati Nagar Jammu 12 after noon 27th Nov 2024 **Rasam Pagri** will be held at Shiv Mandir (Peele Mandir) near Gare Well Chemist Bhagwati Nagar on Wednesday 27th Nov. 5 PM **Grief Stricken:** **Sons and Daughters-in-law** **Anil Verma & Nisha Verma** **Rajnish Verma & Arvi Verma** **Shashi Kapoor & Kewal Krishna Kapoor - Daughter & Son-in-law** **Sunita Verma & Lt. Astok Verma - Daughter & Son-in-law** **Grand Son & Daughter** **Rohin, Prave, Muskan, Raghvi** **MS CARE WELL CHEMIST** **LIFE AID MEDICATE** **LIFE CARE MEDICATE** **MOB : 9419226956, 8930216203**



Smt Chanchala Devi

HOMAGE

Dear Nikhil, we still feel your presence and you shall be alive in our hearts forever. We loved you very dearly and we will miss you for all times to come. Fond memories of your respect and love for seniors and colleagues will remain with us as our greatest treasures. We pray to Lord Shiva to give a I near and dear one strength to bear this irreparable loss. **Om Shanti.** **DEEPLY REMEMBERED BY:** **Team Laboratory Medicine & Blood Center** **Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Narayana Superspeciality Hospital, Kakryal**



Mr Nikhil Antal

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Congress murdered Democracy, disrespected Constitution: BJP

Top News Report

JAMMU, Nov 26: J&K BJP celebrated the day of adoption of the Indian Constitution as "Samvidhan Divas" at party headquarters, Trikuta Nagar, Jammu.

BJP General Secretary (organization) Ashok Koul, BJP National Secretary & MLA Dr. Narinder Singh, and MLA Vikram Randhawa addressed the programme. BJP leaders also paid floral tributes to the Bharat Ratna Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar remembering his important contribution to the framing and adoption of the Indian Constitution.

BJP Secretary Ayodhya Gupta, Former Dy Mayor Baldev Singh Billawaria, Naresh Singh Jasrotia, Neeraj Puri, and others were among the prominent present.



Ashok Koul said that the Indian constitution is extremely well drafted, giving everyone with all the basic rights and keeping all the necessities for the advancement of the Nation. Highlighting the extraordinary life of Dr. Ambedkar, he pointed out that Gandhi ji noticed his wisdom and asked Nehru

ji to trust Dr. Ambedkar with the important task of being the chairman of the drafting committee of the Indian Constitution. He also spoke on the party's ongoing membership drive, asking all the party leaders to put more force in the untouched areas.

Dr. Narinder Singh shared a detailed insight into the Constitution of

India. He laid stress on understanding and adopting the spirit of the Indian Constitution drafted by Baba Sahib. At the same time, he said that the vision of great India can only be achieved when by the Constitution, we all pay equal stress on our duties along with our rights. He also attacked the Congress party for

destroying the fabric of the Constitution by amending it more than 80 times for its own benefit. Citing the example of 'Emergency', he said that Congress murdered Democracy and disrespected the Constitution.

Vikram Randhawa extending greetings to all said this day carries immense importance. He gave a brief history of the adoption of the Indian Constitution in 1949 under the leadership of Dr. Ambedkar, since its first idea in 1895, then its practical form in 1920 and other milestones, and stressed that we should obey the rights and duties enshrined in the Constitution.

Akash Chopra extended a vote of thanks and proceedings were carried out by Pushpinder Charak.

LAHDC Leh celebrates Constitution Day, reads Preamble in English and Bhoti language

Top News Report

LEH, Nov 26: The Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council (LAHDC), Leh, celebrated Constitution Day, also known as Samvidhan Divas, at the Council Secretariat, Leh.

The event was presided over by the Chairman and Chief Executive Councillor (CEC), LAHDC Leh, Adv. Tashi Gyalson, who was joined by Deputy Chairman Tsering Angchuk, Executive Councillors Tashi Namgyal Yakzee, Stanzin Chosphele, and Ghulam Mehdi, along with other Councillors and staff members of the Council Secretariat.

As part of the ceremony, the CEC, Adv. Tashi Gyalson, led the gathering in reading the Preamble to the Constitution of India, reaffirming



the democratic principles and values enshrined in the document. The Preamble was read in both English and Bhoti languages, emphasizing the region's cultural heritage and commitment to national unity.

The CEC also paid tribute to Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, the Chairman of the Drafting Committee of the Constituent Assembly, recognizing his monumental contribution to

the creation of the Indian Constitution.

Constitution Day is observed across India on November 26 every year to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India by the Constituent Assembly on November 26, 1949. The Constitution officially came into effect on January 26, 1950, marking a significant milestone in India's journey as a democratic republic.

CAT Order on ReT Transfers: Key Step in Resolving Issues, Says JKTF President

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JAMMU, Nov 26: The UT President of the Jammu and Kashmir Teachers Forum (JKTF), Sheikh Mohammad Ashraf, has welcomed the recent Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) order on the transfer of Rehbar-e-Taleem (ReT) teachers. He termed the decision as a significant and positive step toward resolving longstanding issues of ReT Teachers.

Ashraf highlighted the importance of the CAT order in promoting unity across the teaching community. "This decision is a breakthrough in eliminating the divisions created by various designations within the fraternity. It fosters a sense of equality and inclusivity among all teachers, which is essential for strengthening the teaching community," he remarked.

The JKTF President also lauded the Directorate of School Education



Kashmir (DSEK) for initiating the detachment of teachers from non-teaching assignments. He expressed hope that this reform would be implemented across Jammu and Kashmir to ensure that all teachers currently engaged in non-teaching roles return to their actual postings in schools.

"This much-needed reform will enable teachers to focus entirely on their primary responsibility—delivering quality education to students. We urge the authorities to complete this process swiftly and in a time-bound manner," he added.

Ashraf further emphasized that JKTF, under the leadership of Chairman M. Ameen Khan, has consistently advocated for the transfer of ReT teachers and the detachment of teaching officials from non-teaching roles. "Today, these long-pending decisions have been realized. Teachers are being directed back to schools, a move we wholeheartedly welcome. We remain optimistic that other pending demands, including promotions across all cadres and the filling of DDO posts in both Jammu and Kashmir divisions, will also be addressed soon," he stated.

Expressing faith in the current dispensation, Ashraf said, "We have high hopes that the administration will fulfill every legitimate demand of the teaching community in the near future, ensuring fairness and efficiency within the education sector."

Sham Lal appeals for reposting of transferred employees post-elections



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JAMMU, Nov 26: Sham Lal Gupta, Chairman of the Anti-Crime Bureau (NGO), has urged Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha and political leaders, including former Chief Minister Omar Abdullah, to take prompt action to repost government employees transferred during the recent Parliamentary and Assembly elections.

These employees, from departments like Revenue, Health, and PWD, were temporarily relocated to ensure smooth election operations. Gupta stressed that with the elections successfully concluded, there is no longer a reason to keep them away from their original postings.

In his statement, Gupta highlighted the personal and professional hardships faced by the affected employees. Many were transferred far from their homes, causing disruptions in their family lives and creating inefficiencies in their work.

"These transfers were a necessary part of the electoral process, but now, restoring these employees to their original roles will resolve grievances and improve administrative efficiency," he remarked.

Gupta emphasized the need for a humane

approach, urging the administration to prioritize the welfare of employees and reinforce their trust in the system. He called on leaders and policymakers to intervene and expedite the reporting process, ensuring fairness and stability in governance.

He concluded by reaffirming his commitment to advocating for the affected employees, saying, "A timely resolution will boost morale and set a precedent for addressing similar issues in the future."

The appeal has gained traction among various sections of the workforce, highlighting the broader need for policies to manage election-related administrative adjustments effectively.

NDA celebrates Constitution Day



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SAMBA, Nov 26: Nations Development Association (NDA) affiliated with My Bharat NYKS under the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India marked Constitution Day today, celebrating the adoption of India's Constitution in 1949 and its core values of justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity. The event saw active participation from students of various schools in Ramgarh, who organized a rally to promote awareness about

their rights and responsibilities. The rally, which began at Main Bazar and ended at Rishi Farms, featured colorful posters, placards, and inspiring speeches focused on democracy, justice, and equality.

A special tribute was paid to Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, the chief architect of the Indian Constitution, recognizing his efforts to ensure equal rights for all citizens, particularly marginalized communities. The event underscored the importance of civic engagement and the role of youth in building

a democratic and inclusive society. Dr. Devinder Kumar Manyal, MLA Ramgarh, MLA Samba Surjit Singh Slathia and MLA Vijaypur Chander Parkash Ganga

In his speech, MLA Ramgarh highlighted Dr. Ambedkar's contributions to India's Constitution and urged everyone to embrace the principles of equality, social justice, and democratic values. The event served as a reminder of the collective responsibility to uphold the Constitution and work towards the continued progress of the nation.

AESL launches Hindi YouTube channel for NEET and JEE aspirants



Top News Report

JAMMU, Nov 26: Aakash Educational Services Limited (AESL), a leader in test preparatory services, has launched a dedicated Hindi YouTube channel aimed at students from Grades 8 to 12, particularly those preparing for NEET and JEE exams. The channel has quickly gained traction,

amassing 100,000 subscribers within a month of its soft launch.

The platform offers video lessons in Hindi, covering subjects like Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Zoology, and Botany. It provides an accessible way for students to grasp complex concepts and revise critical topics at their own pace.

Speaking on the initiative, Deepak Mehrotra, MD & CEO of AESL, emphasized, "Language should never be a barrier to learning. This Hindi channel empowers students with high-quality resources in their regional language, helping them prepare confidently for national-level exams."

Regional Director Parmeshwar Jha added, "This channel delivers subject-specific lessons tailored for NEET and JEE aspirants, ensuring effective learning and exam readiness from anywhere."

The free platform also bridges gaps for students unable to access traditional coaching, offering foundational lessons and exam strategies.

Give justice to people of Jammu region by making Jammu as Separate UT: Col Pathania

Top News Report

JAMMU, Nov 26: Col S S Pathania, Chief Convenor and President Sainik Samaj Party (SSP), JKUT urged the union government to make Jammu region, comprising 10 districts, as a separate UT.

People of Jammu region have been discriminated, exploited, subjugated and oppressed by Kashmir centric politics supported by successive governments, he said adding that a demographic Jihad was



also thrust on people of Jammu, which had peaked out during the tenure of Mehbooba Mufti as Chief Minister.

Recent assembly elections have made it amply clear that BJP cannot come to power on its own unless they go for alli-

ance with Kashmir based Party, he said

"Goa with 3700 square kilometers area and population of approximately 17 lakh people is a full-fledged state, whereas Jammu region with 26000 square kilometers Area with a population of around 65 lakh people is one part of JKUT," Pathania said adding that SSP demands a separate UT for Jammu region, where under the provision of Article 371 jobs for local youth, our land bank and

art & culture is protected. Apathy and discrimination of Kashmir based politics can be clearly discerned by the fact that after 77 years of independence Jammu Doordarshan has not been made functional and 9 kilometers of road from Natha Top to Sanasar has been constructed.

He urged the people of Jammu region to come out and raise the just demand of separate Jammu and leave behind a good legacy for our coming generations.

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TENDERING

Short-Term Tender Notice : e-NIT No.- 53/WLWJ of 2024-25 dated: 23-11-2024

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor, Jammu & Kashmir, e-tenders are invited from approved and eligible contractors registered with J&K Govt. /Central Govt. Organizations for the following works:

Name of work	Adv. Cost (in lacs)	Class of Contractor	Cost of Tender Document (in Rs.)	Time of completion	Receiving/Opening Authority
Installation of Boundary Pillars at Ramnagar and Nandini Wildlife Sanctuary	2.11 lacs.	D	600	30 days	Tender opening committee

EMD (3% of advertised amount):- Rs 6,500/-

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AA No. & Date	153 of 2024-25 (RWLWJ) dated 21-11-2024
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EDITORIAL

Need of the Constitution

The Constitution is the supreme law of a country, serving as a blueprint for the political and legal framework within which a nation operates. It outlines the structure of government, the division of powers between different branches, the rights of citizens, and the duties of the state. In essence, the Constitution provides a set of fundamental principles that guide the functioning of the nation, ensuring justice, fairness, and accountability. The need for a Constitution in any nation cannot be overstated, as it is the cornerstone of democracy, governance, and national unity. First and foremost, a Constitution ensures a stable and orderly governance system. It establishes the structure of government, which typically includes three main branches: the executive, the legislature, and the judiciary. This division of power prevents the concentration of authority in one branch or individual, thereby promoting checks and balances. For example, the legislature makes laws, the executive implements them, and the judiciary interprets and ensures they align with the Constitution. Such a structure helps maintain the balance of power, preventing the abuse of authority and protecting citizens' rights. Furthermore, the Constitution plays a crucial role in safeguarding individual rights and freedoms. It typically enshrines a set of fundamental rights for citizens, such as the right to life, liberty, freedom of expression, and the right to equality before the law. In the absence of a Constitution, there would be no clear guarantee of these rights, leaving citizens vulnerable to arbitrary actions by the state or other powerful entities. A Constitution, therefore, acts as a protective shield, ensuring that the government respects and upholds the dignity of its citizens. Additionally, a Constitution serves as a unifying force in a diverse nation. It establishes a common framework that transcends differences in religion, language, culture, and ethnicity. In a pluralistic society, the Constitution provides the foundation for harmony and cohesion by recognizing the rights of different groups and promoting equality. For instance, it may include provisions for affirmative action, reservations, or special rights for marginalized communities, helping to rectify historical injustices and ensuring that all citizens have an equal opportunity to thrive. Without such provisions, social divisions could deepen, leading to conflict and instability. A well-drafted Constitution also serves as a tool for conflict resolution. It provides legal avenues for addressing disputes, whether between individuals, communities, or the state itself. In many cases, constitutional courts or other judicial bodies interpret the Constitution and provide binding resolutions to conflicts. For example, if a law is challenged for being unconstitutional, the judiciary can intervene and ensure that the law aligns with the fundamental principles enshrined in the Constitution. This aspect of the Constitution is vital for maintaining the rule of law and ensuring that justice is served impartially. The Constitution is also essential for ensuring democratic governance and accountability. It lays down the rules for free and fair elections, the formation of political parties, and the functioning of elected representatives. By providing a clear electoral system and outlining the rights of voters, the Constitution ensures that power remains with the people and that the government remains accountable to them. It also mandates periodic elections, ensuring that political leaders cannot hold on to power indefinitely. This process fosters a dynamic political environment where leaders are regularly held accountable for their actions, and citizens have the power to vote for representatives who reflect their interests. Moreover, the Constitution plays an essential role in economic and social governance. It provides the legal framework for economic policies, social welfare schemes, and the protection of resources. It also ensures that economic activities are regulated to prevent monopolies, exploitation, and environmental degradation. In a rapidly changing world, a flexible and adaptive Constitution can guide a nation in addressing new challenges, such as technological advancements, climate change, and global economic shifts. Constitution is the bedrock of a nation's governance and legal system. It provides stability, protects individual rights, ensures equality, resolves conflicts, and guarantees democratic processes. Without a Constitution, a country would lack direction, legal protection, and the means to uphold justice. It fosters national unity and ensures that governance is transparent, accountable, and responsive to the needs of the people. Thus, the Constitution is not just a document, but a living instrument that shapes the identity and future of a nation.

By: Omkar Dattatray

There is growing impression among the people and political parties that the exit polls are not exact polls and thus there are always false and incorrect. This impression about exit polls proved totally wrong in the recent exit polls in case of the assembly polls in the states of Maharashtra, Jharkhand and the bye polls in the politically most significant state of Uttar Pradesh as the exit polls came true and dismantled the wrong notion about the exit polls and the soothsayers proved wrong. The poll results in the assembly elections in Maharashtra, Jharkhand and the bye polls in UP proved exact as the results which came on 23rd November are very much exact and true. The Maharashtra, Jharkhand elections showed BJP regained the upper hand and are totally in accordance with the poll predictions given by various exit polls of different channels and organizations. Same happened in case of the bye polls in UP were SP chief Akhesh Yadav was roaring that all the by poll seats in the state will go into the kitty of Samajwadi party. But the actual election results in the bye polls in UP were as per the poll predictions of the exit polls and SP chief's claims turned wrong as the BJP maintained its position and hold by winning six assembly seats. Same is true of the poll results of the recently held assembly elections of Maharashtra and Jharkhand. In Maharashtra the Mahayuti came to power thus defeating the Maha Vikas Agadi which was not able to gain power despite the neck to neck contest between Mahayuti comprising BJP, Shiv Sena Shinde and other allies and the MVA. Assembly election results in Maharashtra, and Jharkhand -where it lost has likely retained its 2019 vote share-

Exit polls Proved Exact polls

show how the BJP keeps building its electoral and ideological dominance. Election season ended with two results going in two different directions but were as per the forecasts and exit polls. In Maharashtra, the BJP has swept the election while in Jharkhand, the JMM has managed to retain its hold and kept BJP at bay. It is noteworthy that in both states incumbents have held onto to their fortress-like in Haryana assembly polls earlier. However, while in Maharashtra, the BJP's two partners and the opposition will now face an existential crisis in Jharkhand, despite its inability to wrest power, the BJP has done reasonably well -it rightly retained its vote of 2019. Thus it shows that BJP has reasserted its upper hand in electoral politics. Some time ago, the BJP was momentarily on the back foot. Haryana warned that BJP should not be written off. The election results of Maharashtra confirmed the warning and writing on the wall. The Lok Sabha election results had cut the BJP to size, but its strength was still intact, as was its ability to steer the terms of political discourse. Assembly elections in the last couple of months testify to this. Three issues might be taken into account in order to understand the outcome in Maharashtra and Jharkhand and connect it to Haryana and Jammu region of J&K. Following the setback in the Lok Sabha election, the BJP seems to have made a conscious effort to insulate Prime Minister Modi from defeats. While Modi remains the mascot, the emphasis on his rallies was carefully reduced. Rather than a shrill vote getter, his potential role as PM is projected more prominently. Whether it was in Haryana or in Maharashtra, the PM inaugurated a number of projects. This ensured that he is seen as the benefactor

.The murky polemic was unleashed not by Modi but by others in the party. This nuanced transformation of Modi's role in the BJP's latest electoral wars is a significant fallout of the Lok Sabha elections. This strategy showed that BJP protected Brand Modi from failures, although his hold on the party continued as earlier victory is attributed always to Modi but he was saved from embarrassment of owning up to defeats. We should also know what led to the BJP's win in Maharashtra. The three C's helped BJP to win. This is a different Modi from the one we have seen since 2014. Even a cursory glance at the full-page advertisements splashed by the BJP showed that Modi is still the overarching image and big crowd puller and vote catcher. His itineraries before the announcement of election show that he steers the "development plank" While getting swayed by the likes of Yogi Adityanath and Himanta Biswa Sarma, a significant proportion of voters in both Maharashtra and Jharkhand would have hint of Modi in making their choices. The second issue is the various schemes promised, launched and implemented by the contesting parties in both the states. Indeed flagship schemes have always helped parties ---incumbents in particular to acquire an edge among electorate. We have seen this since the launch of the employment scheme of the UPA -MNREGA. There is no doubt that the slew of schemes implemented by the state governments, with particular emphasis on DBT both in Maharashtra ANS Jharkhand has helped win coalitions. The third issue which impacted the outcome of the polls in both the states was that BJP brought shrill Hindutva to the centre stage. This is not new. But following its less than -satisfactory

performance in April-May, the party has emphasized the Hindutva message in which this agenda is implemented in different states. When the BJP won Haryana, much was said about its clever management of caste-based fault lines. In Maharashtra too, it ensured through micro-management that the deep fissures on the question of Maratha reservation did not hurt it. However success in the polls in Maharashtra and good performance in Jharkhand can be attributed to BJP's core agenda of Hindutva which it marketed in the polls. Yogi's slogan of Bategay tou Katen-gay and eak Rahayagay tou Safe Rahayagay which found expression and endorsement in Modi's electioneering and resulted into party regaining power in Maharashtra and its somewhat good performance in Jharkhand although BJP failed to gain power there is a different story. To counter radical Muslims love Jihad and vote Jihad by the consolidation of unity among the Hindu's proved a nectar and it watered the growing prospects of the BJP in the two states. It can be said that emphasis on its core ideology of Hindutva worked wonders and it turned a vote catching device besides being a big crowd puller. Thus the assembly elections of the two states proved beyond doubt that Hindutva impacted the outcome of the polls in both the states. Any way the election results were on the expected lines and were as per the projections of the exit polls. In brief this time Exit polls were exact polls and the myth that exit polls are not exact polls proved wrong.

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Role of School and College Magazines in Education

By: Vijay GarG

Magazines published from Schools and Colleges have great importance in education. These magazine often reflects the image of the educational institution through the articles presented by the students and teachers. School and College magazines are great way to encourage the creativity in students which makes them effectively utilize language for conveying ideas. The true potential in writing among students can only be recognized through the work in magazines because there will not be much exposure in other ways. Here's the lowdown on the role of school and college magazines in education, along with some insights into their current relevance:

1. Promoting Creativity and Expression: School and college magazines provide a platform for students to unleash their creativity and express themselves. Whether it's through writing, artwork, photography, or even graphic design, these publications encourage students to explore their talents and share their perspectives with the community.
2. Fostering a Sense of Community: In today's fast-paced world, school and college magazines serve as a unifying force, bringing students, faculty, and alumni together. They showcase achievements, highlight events, and celebrate the diverse tal-

ents within the educational institution, fostering a sense of belonging and pride.

3. Encouraging Critical Thinking and Research Skills:

Writing for a school or college magazine isn't just about putting pen to paper - it's about engaging in critical thinking and research. Students learn to conduct interviews, gather information, and present their findings in a clear and compelling manner, honing valuable skills that extend beyond the classroom.

4. Embracing Digital Platforms:

While traditional print magazines still hold their charm, many school and college publications have embraced digital platforms to reach a wider audience. From online editions to interactive websites and social media channels, these magazines are adapting to the digital age, making their content accessible anytime, anywhere.

5. Addressing Current Issues and Trends:

School and college magazines have their finger on the pulse of what's happening in the world and on campus. They tackle important issues, spark discussions, and reflect the interests and concerns of today's students. From climate change and social justice to pop culture and technology, these publications cover a wide range of topics that resonate with their readers.

6. Preparing Students for the Future:

Last but not least, school and col-

lege magazines play a vital role in preparing students for the future. Whether they aspire to pursue careers in journalism, media, marketing, or any other field, the experience gained from contributing to a magazine - both in terms of writing and teamwork - sets them on the path to success.

So, there you have it - a glimpse into the enduring relevance of school and college magazines in education. In a world where information is abundant and attention spans are short, these publications continue to inspire, inform, and unite generations of students. Long live the school magazine!

School and College magazines are the most appropriate platform for students for exposure to the artistic potential among peer. One of the main advantage of college magazines is the fact that opinions about articles can be heard from the audience as most of them will be inside the college itself. The more intense and more in depth the language and content the more interested will be the audience to know about the author of the article.

Most of the budding talents in school opportunities to showcase their work through school magazines. The articles published in the school magazines also allows teachers various opportunities to motivate young readers. Teachers can also help students improve their language by giving proper suggestions and encouragement. As there

are different kind of literature being published on school magazines students can choose categories based on their interest for publishing in them.

Most of the school and college magazines are published annually and there will much time available for students to prepare the content for the articles. It also helps the students to do research on topics before making the copy to be published in the magazine. More time can be spent for rewriting the content again and again for making it more attractive to the audience.

So, are school and college magazines still relevant in today's education landscape? Absolutely! From fostering creativity and critical thinking to building communication skills and fostering a sense of community, school magazines play a vital role in education. So, the next time you pick up a school magazine, remember the valuable role it plays in shaping the educational experience of students everywhere.

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Swaccha Pakhwada: District Kishtwar clinches second position in entire UT

Top News Report

KISHTWAR, Nov 26: The Kishtwar district has made a remarkable achievement in the Shuchita Sangram campaign, securing the second position for organizing a series of activities from August 1st to August 14th during the 2 weeks sanitation campaign - the Shuchita Sangram.

Phulail Singh Bandral, Assistant Commissioner Development (ACD) Kishtwar, received the award at a felicitation ceremony organized at Convention Centre Circuit House Jammu by the august hand of Minister, Department of Rural Development & PR, J&K and Secretary,



DoRD & PR, UT of J&K.

In his remarks, ACD Kishtwar expressed gratitude to all participants, dedicating the award to every individual who contributed to this suc-

cess.

He expressed the importance of continued cooperation for future events. While talking with the media, ACD Kishtwar Phulail

Singh added that as we accept this award, we are reminded that true change comes through consistent effort and collaboration. He remarked that this award encourages every resident of Kishtwar district to continue our united journey towards a greener future, inspiring others to join the mission of Swachh Bharat. He emphasised that we must carry this momentum forward, creating a ripple effect of positive action that will echo in every corner of the country. He hoped that this achievement is a stepping stone towards a cleaner, healthier, and more sustainable world for generations to come.

It is under the dynamic guidance and vision of

Rajesh Kumar Shavan Deputy Commissioner Kishtwar that now rural people living in panchayats of district Kishtwar are being aware about the importance of Suchita Sangram who are being involved in mega cleanliness drives and programs. Not only this, hopper vehicles are now used in panchayats for collection of waste material and garbage. ACD Kishtwar Phulail Singh impressed upon all residents of Kishtwar not to throw waste material in the open and always use the services of hopper vehicles which are solely procured for the collection of waste materials with an aim to make Kishtwar more clean and green.

NMOPS delegation meets MLA Anantnag East, submits memorandum for restoration of OPS

Top News Report

ANANTNAG, Nov 26: A Delegation of NMOPS led by Tehsil President of the National Movement for Old Pension Scheme (NMOPS) Mattan met with MLA Anantnag East Ryaz Ahmed Khan and submitted a memorandum demanding the restoration of the old pension scheme.

The memorandum emphasized the need for restoring the old pension scheme, providing a secure future



for employees. Nisar Ahmad urged the MLA to address employees' concerns and work towards finding a solution in the Assembly as already in the National conference Party manifesto.

MLA Anantnag East assured Nisar that he would raise the issue with Chief Minister Omar Abdullah, acknowledging its genuineness. Nisar thanked the MLA for the positive assurance.

GDC Bishnah celebrates Constitution Day

Top News Report

JAMMU, Nov 26: Department of Political Science in collaboration with NSS wing of Government Degree College (GDC) Bishnah under the guidance of Principal Dr. Shailu Sambyal celebrated Constitution Day with great enthusiasm on November 26, 2024. The event featured a symposium on the significance of the Indian Constitution, which saw the participation of six speakers who eloquently shared their perspectives on the importance of this landmark document in shaping the nation.

The occasion was graced by the Chief Guest, a sitting Member of the Legislative Assembly, and the Guest of Honour, an Ex-Member of the Legislative Assembly. The Principal of GDC Bishnah Dr. Shailu Samyals also addressed the gathering, emphasizing the relevance of the Constitution in fostering equality, justice, and democracy.

Speaking on the occa-

sion, chief guest Dr. Rajeev Bhagat Sitting MLA Bishnah constituency, emphasized to pay tribute to Dr. Ambedkar and the members of the Constituent Assembly who worked tirelessly for nearly three years to draft a document that could govern a country as diverse as ours. He stressed that the dedication of makers of our constitution reminds us of the responsibility we have to uphold their vision.

Guest of honour Ashwani Kumar Sharma ex-MLA addressed the students to understand their responsibility to understand, respect, and uphold the values enshrined in this document he also spoke that the Constitution provides us the framework to live in harmony and to protect the rights of all people.

The program commenced with a warm welcome address delivered by Professor Shrotika Rajput from the Department of Political Science. Dr. Preeti Mahajan from Department of Educa-

tion administers reading of the Constitution Day Pledge, reaffirming the commitment to uphold its principles. Students from the Music department under the guidance of Professor Shivani Raina gave a mesmerizing musical performance.

Symposium was judged by Professor Anju Bala from Department of Maths, Professor Rashmi Arya from Department of English, and Professor Ashma Gupta from Department of Zoology. Following the symposium, prizes were distributed to the participants for their insightful contributions. The event also witnessed an active involvement of NSS Volunteers, who organized a Paed Yatra rally highlighting the importance of the Constitution.

The celebration concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Geeta lakhotra, NSS Programme Officer who expressed gratitude to the dignitaries, participants, colleagues, and students for making the event a success.

SPPND GDC Samba commemorates Constitution Day

Top News Report

SAMBA, Nov 26: Department of Political Science, Shri Pandit Prem Nath Dogra Government Degree College, Samba celebrated Samvidhan Diwas 2024 (Constitution Day) on the theme "Hamara Samvidhan" under the aegis of the IQAC and the supervision of Prof. (Dr.) Twinkle Suri, Principal of the college. The event, held on November 26, 2024, commemorated the adoption of the Indian Constitution in 1949.

The celebration included three key components: a Constitutional History Storytelling session, an Interactive Discussion and a Pledge Ceremony. The storytelling session provided a captivating narrative on the journey of India's

Constitution, its framers, and its significant milestones. This was followed by a thought-provoking discussion on constitutional debates and the relevance of the Constitution in contemporary India, emphasizing its role in shaping the nation's social, political and cultural framework.

The event concluded with a Pledge Ceremony and Preamble Reading, where students, faculty and staff solemnly pledged to uphold the values of justice, equality and democracy enshrined in the Constitution.

The celebration aimed to promote national pride, civic responsibility and constitutional literacy among the college community, aligning with the institution's commitment to fostering a vibrant academic and cultural environment.

Top News Report

R S PURA, Nov 26: NCC Cadets and Department of Political Science Govt. Degree College (GDC) R S Pura celebrated the 75th Anniversary of the adoption of Indian Constitution under the guidance of Principal Prof (Dr.) Preetpal Kour and coordinated by Dr. Rakesh Choudhary HOD.

The celebration of adoption of the constitution, a milestone in our nation's history, was marked by Debate competition among the students of the college.

It was followed by a Preamble reading ceremony in the college.

The celebrations aimed at promoting awareness and appreciation for our Constitution.

Our Constitution, adopted on November 26, 1949, is a testament to the vision and foresight of our founding fathers. It has been the guiding force behind our nation's progress, shaping our democracy, secularism, and egalitarian values. The initiatives were taken to educate citizens about the Constitution's significance, its drafting committee members, and the

pivotal role of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar.

In the debate competition, the students namely Sarbjit Heera and Mridul Sharma were adjudged as first and second in the competition. After the competition, Preamble reading ceremony was held in which 70 students alongwith faculty members participated.

The members who were part of celebrations were Dr. Neena Gupta, Prof Shivani Manchanda, Prof. Sankait Gupta, Prof. Sanjeev Upadhyay Prof Vijeeta Anand, Dr. Raksh Kalotra and Dr Varinder Kour.

GDC Ramnagar celebrates 75th Constitution Day

Top News Report

RAMNAGAR, Nov 26: Under the esteemed patronage of Prof. (Dr.) Bhavnaish Chand Anthal, Principal of Government Degree College (GDC) Ramnagar, the institution celebrated the 75th Constitution Day with enthusiasm and reverence. The event was marked by insightful discussions, inspiring speeches, and collective reading of the Preamble to the Indian Constitution, reinforcing the values enshrined in the nation's guiding document.

The event was coordinated by Prof. Ritika Mahajan, Convenor of the Debate and Symposium Committee, Prof. Puyesh Kant Sharma (HOD Pol Sc.) and Prof. Sanjay Malhotra, Head of the Department of Commerce. Prof. Ritika

Mahajan delivered a thought-provoking lecture on the significance of Constitution Day, emphasizing its relevance in shaping India's democratic fabric.

Following this, students actively participated by delivering speeches, showcasing their understanding and appreciation of the Constitution's importance. At the end a poster making competition was also organized to commemorate the Constitution Day. The highlight of the event was the collective reading of the Preamble/Constitution Day Pledge symbolizing unity and dedication to the principles of justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity.

The celebration witnessed the presence of several faculty members and a large number of students, reflecting the

college's commitment to fostering constitutional awareness among the youth.

In his concluding remarks, Prof. (Dr.) Bhavnaish Chand Anthal applauded the efforts of the organizing team and emphasized the importance of upholding the values of the Constitution in everyday life. He encouraged students to embody these principles to contribute positively to society and the nation.

The event concluded with a renewed sense of commitment to the ideals of the Indian Constitution, leaving a lasting impression on all attendees. Vote of thanks and concluding remarks were made by Dr. Pankaj Sharma. He appealed to the students to uphold the Indian constitution and inact on its principles.

SKBJSM delegation urges renaming of Jammu Agriculture University after Baba Jitto

Top News Report

JAMMU, Nov 26: A delegation from the Shaheed Kisan Baba Jito Sangharsh Samiti (SKBJSM) met MLA Surinder Kumar Bhagat of Marh, advocating for the renaming of the Agriculture University in Jammu after Baba Jitto Ji, a revered historical figure and farmer. The delegation urged Bhagat to take up the demand with the Central Government.

Baba Jitto, a 15th-century revolutionary farmer known as "Kisan Sant Shaheed," is celebrated for his sacrifice against the oppressive feudal system. Delegation members, including Partap Singh Jamwal, Arun Seekay, Th. Dev Karan, Deepan, Aakash Koul, and Shobit, highlighted his legacy



as a symbol of farmers' struggles and a source of inspiration across all communities.

They emphasized that renaming the university in Baba Jitto's honor would not only recognize his contribution to the region's history but also serve as a beacon of inspiration for future generations. The

delegation remarked, "In today's era of honoring local heroes, no one is more deserving than Baba Jitto, whose legacy is deeply tied to agriculture and social justice."

The SKBJSM hopes that this proposal will gain momentum and bring recognition to Baba Jitto's enduring legacy.

Yogi demands immediate release of salaries for MCH employees under 2211 head

Top News Report

BHADARWAH, Nov 26: Socio-political leader and State President of Janata Dal Secular (S), Mast Nath Yogi, has strongly advocated for the release of pending salaries for employees under the 2211 Financial Head of the Directorate of Family Welfare, MCH, and Immunization, J&K.

In a press statement, Yogi highlighted the struggles of these health employees, whose salaries have remained unpaid for the last five months. He urged the Director Gen-

eral of Family Welfare, MCH & Immunization, to address the issue immediately.

Acknowledging the critical role played by these employees during the COVID-19 pandemic, Yogi remarked, "Their tireless service during such unprecedented times is commendable. Even Prime Minister Narendra Modi has lauded their dedication and contributions to the nation."

Yogi appealed for swift action, stressing the importance of resolving the issue to maintain the morale of the hardworking health workers.

JKBS urges Govt to enhance the rate of old age, disability and widow pension

Top News Report

JAMMU, Nov 26: The Jammu and Kashmir Batwal Sabha at its meeting held here today under the chairmanship of R.L. Kaith, FLC, J&K Advisor Board for Welfare and Development of SCs

The meeting passed a resolution to urge the Government of Jammu and Kashmir to be kind enough to enhance the rate of old age, disability and widow pension from Rs 1000 to Rs 2500/month in view of current inflation rate, as has been done by the Delhi Government.

JKBS' R S Pura Block President Jagdish Raj Kaith stated that the last increase was more than a decade when pensions under the Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme, Indira Gandhi National Widow Pension Scheme and Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme went up from Rs 200 to Rs 300/month.

They further stated the inflation is so high that it doesn't cover the food needs of the beneficiaries for 10 days. They can't even buy medicines, added the members.

Violation of agreement by CVPP not be tolerated

Top News Report

KISHTWAR, Nov 26: Senior National Conference leader, Spokesperson of Chenab Valley Zone Ajeet Bhagat demanded investigation of violation of agreement of Chenab Valley Power Projects (CVPP) in respect of large scale bungling into substandard material used in Hydroelectric Power Projects and backdoor appointments.

The Senior National Conference leader said that he would highlight the increasing unemployment being faced by the

youths of Kishtwar, Doda and Ramban Districts of Chenab Valley Zone. The Senior National Conference leader said it will not be out of place to mention here that at one point i.e. upto 2014 large numbers of youths was engaged in Dul - Hasti and Baglihar Hydroelectric Power Projects.

Now we have four Major Hydroelectric Projects Viz Pakal -Dool, Kiru, Kawar and Ratle where four reputed companies are executing these projects but it is a matter of great concern that there is unrest among

the unemployed youths because the companies involved have engaged less manpower in these projects he added.

Bhagat said that the reason behind this is the company's management Chenab Valley Power Projects (CVPP) want to get more and more profit by way of engaging less manpower. Similarly, the principal employer of these projects i.e. Chenab Valley Power Projects (CVPP) are getting huge Commission from these projects Managements in order to hide their misdeed.

GDC Paloura celebrates Constitution Day

Top News Report

JAMMU, Nov 26: Department of Political Science in collaboration with NSS and NCC units of the College observed the Constitution Day on November 26, 2024, as on this day, the final draft of the constitution was unanimously adopted by the Constituent Assembly.

Constitution Day is marked to honour the vision and efforts of the Constituent Assembly, which laid the foundation for a democratic republic.

While the Constitution finally took effect a couple of months later on January 6, 1950, when India became a republic, its adoption remains a pivotal moment in Indian history. This year, the country is celebrating the 75th anniversary of the adoption of the Indian Constitution.

The program was coordinated by Prof. Amit Bhalla, Head Department of Political Science and was attended by all the faculty members and students of the college. He highlighted the salient features of the Indian Constitution, the essence of which is enshrined in its preamble. He reiterated the commitment to work in sync with the constitutional principles for faster growth, progress, and development of the nation.

Dr. Kulvinder Kour, Principal of the college presided over the program. While speaking on the occasion, she said that this monumental document laid the foundation for India's democratic governance, ensuring justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity for all its citizens. The day serves as a reminder of the efforts of the Con-

stituent Assembly, led by Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, who is revered as the chief architect of the Constitution. Constitution Day is distinct from Republic Day, observed on January 26, which celebrates the implementation of the Constitution in 1950. Together, these two days highlight key milestones in India's journey to becoming a sovereign, democratic republic.

Dr. Shivani Sharma, NSS Programme Officer read out the Preamble of the Constitution which was followed by the faculty members and students of the college. Prof. Vijay Chandan, Dr. Rabia Iqbal, Prof. Vijay Kumari, Prof. Neha, Vikram Jamwal, Dr. Chinmei, Dr. Vandana, Dr. Ikhlq and others also participated in the event. The programme ended with a vote of Thanks presented by Prof. Kusha Sharma.

Carving magic around the theme of zodiacs, 13 sculptors made each piece of stone talk at Kalagram

Every block of stone has a statue inside it and it is the task of the sculptor to discover it, famously said Michelangelo. And, 13 sculptors at the recently concluded 20-day National Sculpture Camp-24 at Kalagram, Chandigarh, lived up to it.

The theme was zodiacs and the sculptors from various parts of the country, including Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Ladakh, Kashmir, Bihar, Chandigarh, Punjab and Delhi, were part of this mega camp. It was organised by the North Zone Cultural Centre (NZCC), Ministry of Culture, Government of India, and concluded on November 23.

Each one was entrusted a huge block of black marble, six-by-six by two feet. Working in a row, there was a storm of dust covering the entire lane; not smog but the dust of stones due to the constant cutting and grinding. Each artist had his face covered as the cacophony of machine drowned other sounds. Maquettes — small, preliminary models — sat pretty, but looked forlorn amongst the tools and blocks of extra stone. What was heartening in the melee was that one could see the shapes taking form — a robust lion, a muscled crab, a fish and a strong bull, just about getting ready to charge!

Narinder J S Maloya was rather happy working on the sign Cancer. Having studied the crab in detail, he was creating a giant one. A post graduate from Government College of Art



(GCA)-10, he is much in love with stone. "This black marble looks grey since it's being carved, but once complete and polished it will be jet black." His entire focus was on getting the proportions right. "Art should be accessible to all — rich, poor, man, woman, old or young," shared the artist.

Next to him was Simarjeet Sekha, who had the sign Leo to work upon. An impressive lion, robust and roaring was taking shape. Interestingly, Simarjeet loves to create animal forms, his favourite being a dog, for which he won an award too.

Keralite Ajesh Kumar Kandallor, who teaches at Stone Artisan Park Training Institute, Gujarat, had Aries as his theme, and we saw the outline of horns shaping up in a huge chunk of stone. Sanul Kuttan was dealing with Gemini. Two human figures being his sign, he was seen

making full figures. Kuttan was here before at another sculpture workshop. At that time in the wake of farmers' protests, he made a figure of a farmer with hay.

Mohammad Iqbal teaches at Anantnag. Carving a weighing scale, the symbol for Libra, he shared, "I love being here. I haven't seen such a large collection of sculptures anywhere else."

Devi Das Khattri, who is with the Lalit Kala Akademi, Garhi, Delhi, was busy making a goat as he was assigned the Capricorn sign. Surakala Appalaraju, from Andhra Pradesh, was seen painstakingly carving a bull for Taurus. Not ready to waste any of the heavy stone, he was making a robust figure.

Abhishek Singh also free-lances at Garhi. Working on the symbol Sagittarius, half-human, half-horse, he did Masters from

GCA-10. He fondly recalled, "College ka mahaul bahut acha tha."

Alay Mistry from Ahmedabad was chopping off a bulky stone. The theme assigned to him was Pisces. He was scraping a stone to carve lean meen (fish). Rajender Kumar was making a woman for the sign Virgo. While he was enjoying the workshop with fellow sculptors, he was on a deputation at Burail Jail, an experience he spoke highly of. "Mostly, I worked with under-privileges there. Their zeal to learn was unparalleled and I enjoyed the stint."

Tsering Gurmet from Ladakh was busy shaping a big block for his sign — Scorpio. Hugely inspired by Leonardo's horse, Gurmet shared, "We have bustling art scene in Ladakh. While art there has largely been religious and traditional, we, the first generation of sculptors, are getting a huge response."

Aquarian Shubham Santosh Salve from Maharashtra had the Aquarian sign to chisel. While most of the artists were non-committal to zodiac concepts, Salve seemed to have happily embraced it. Keenly displaying his sculpture — a water bearer — he said, "Aquarians are eager to spread knowledge just like the flowing water in their symbol."

Away from this din was Jag-deep Jolly. He was seen putting all the symbols in a circle in fiberglass. Having studied from the Delhi College of Art, he teaches at Chandigarh.

Ayushmann credits Arijit Singh for launching his live singing journey



Actor Ayushmann Khurrana has talked about how singer Arijit Singh was the reason behind him doing his first ever live singing performance, that too in the US with the venue having over 50,000 people.

Ayushmann said: "I always used to think I am good as an actor, I can sing as part of films — but doing an onstage performance in front of thousands of people was never a thought. I always thought I am

more of an actor than a singer.

He credited Arijit for his first music performance.

"Dallas has a Diwali Mela that they host every year and after the success of Vicky Donor and winning the Filmfare for Best Singer — Arijit called me in 2013. He had a performance at the Mela but due to an emergency he couldn't make it, but his band had reached Dallas and he requested me to go perform there."

Ayushmann said: "I explained that I never had thought of this and I always sang to myself, or for my friends at a party. He really requested and since I have also always been a fan of him, so I eventually gave in and agreed."

Talking about his experience for his first ever live singing performance, Ayushmann said, "I went for the concert and the stadium was full, with almost fifty thousand people! I was taken aback, from a drawing room performance to this, it was a major shift."

"There were some 10 songs along with Arijit's band that was great and everyone loved the performance, the response was great! After this, I just enjoyed this so much that I knew I had to make my own band and do live singing, so the credit goes to Arijit Singh for this!"

Ayushmann's next projects include "Thama", from Maddock's horror-comedy universe which was recently announced and an untitled project with Dharma and Sikhya Productions.

Taapsee Pannu praises Shah Rukh Khan's 'superior personality'

Actor Taapsee Pannu says she doesn't mind taking a backseat and doing films where the pressure of the release is not on her.

Speaking to agency, the actor recalled opting for Rajkumar Hirani's 2023 directorial "Dunki", which was headlined by superstar Shah Rukh Khan.

"Everyone says that people don't want to come to you with the films that have big heroes because they think you won't be doing that. But sometimes I do like to take a backseat where I know that I will do my job and it won't be a stupid role but the pressure is not on me to headline," Pannu said.

"When I did 'Dunki', trust me, I was so much at ease around the release time... There was Rajkumar Hirani, you have Shah Rukh Khan, so I took a backseat and said now all these big names will take the front seats and drive the car," she added.

Sharing her experience of working on the film and Khan, the actor said he is someone she admires a lot.

"Only few people are there who have an on-screen and off-screen presence of a star," she said.

"You can learn many things from the people on-screen but for me the first thing was that he is well-read, he carries knowledge and the way he can talk deeply on any topic... That personality is far superior to anybody I have met in the film industry so I think that is my biggest takeaway after working with him," she added.

Pannu was most recently seen in Netflix's "Phir Aayi Haseen Dillruba".

The film, which released in August and also starred Vikrant Massey and Sunny Kaushal, is a sequel to her 2021 thriller "Haseen Dillruba".

The actor, who plays the role of Rani Kashyap, said the movie was liked by



the audience to such an extent that the makers had no other option but to come up with another part for it.

She revealed that the character was turned down by some actors, who didn't want to essay the role which has several flaws.

"I felt like in real life, we are between 'devi' and 'daayan' sometimes. We do make mistakes, god didn't make us perfect. So to accept that mistake makes Rani super human. She makes mistakes and she goes on to accept it and is ready for any kind of punishment. I think that was a very different twist to the female character which Kanika came up with and it got imprinted in people's minds."

Pannu said now Rani and 'Haseen Dillruba' movies have become synonymous with her.

"My wardrobe has changed, I have got so many sarees since then. I don't feel like wearing anything else. So it has impacted me on the personal level as well," she added.

Here are five television actors who are ready for the silver screen

Several popular television actors are now stepping into the world of cinema, showcasing their versatility and capturing hearts in a new arena. These actors represent a new era where boundaries between television and cinema blur. They've built a loyal fanbase through years of dedication to television and are now exploring the cinematic landscape, taking on diverse roles and challenging themselves creatively.

Here's a closer look at these five actors who are either gearing up for their big-screen debuts or have recently made a significant mark in films...

Dazzling diva Nimrit Kaur Ahluwalia
From ruling the small screen with her compelling performances in hit TV shows, Nimrit Kaur Ahluwalia is ready for her silver-screen debut. Starring opposite singer-actor Guru Randhawa in Shaunki Sardar, Nimrit promises to bring her charisma and acting prowess to theatres. Known for her emotional depth and relatable portrayals, Nimrit's fans are eager to see her explore a larger-than-life perso-



na on the big screen.

Taking the plunge Dheeraj Dhoopar Having already won hearts with his roles in popular TV dramas and OTT ventures, Dheeraj Dhoopar is now preparing to take the plunge into cinema. Although the project remains

untitled and details are under wraps, the buzz surrounding his debut is immense. Dheeraj's charm, combined with his ability to bring depth to his characters, has cemented his place as one of the most promising stars to watch out for.

Bankable star Parth Samthaan Parth Samthaan's transition to cinema came with his debut film, Ghudchadi, where he shared the screen with Khushali Kumar and Bollywood veteran Sanjay Dutt. Initially released in theatres

and later on OTT platforms, the film showcased Parth's potential as a bankable actor in Bollywood.

Killer instinct Lakshya
If there's one name that has been making waves, it's Lakshya. The young actor recently delivered a breakout performance in the action thriller Kill. Transitioning seamlessly from TV to films, Lakshya's journey is an inspiring tale of perseverance and talent.

The lady has arrived **Pratibha Ranta**
In what can only be described as a dream debut, Pratibha Ranta has taken the cinematic world by storm with her performance in Laapataa Ladies. Directed by Kiran Rao, the film has garnered widespread acclaim and even an Oscar nomination, putting Pratibha firmly in the spotlight. A discovery from the television industry, Pratibha's journey to the big screen exemplifies hard work and talent. Her role in Laapataa Ladies has not only made her a household name but also set her on a path to potentially create history in Indian cinema.

Drake accuses UMG and Spotify of inflating Kendrick Lamar's diss track 'Not Like Us'

Drake has begun legal action against Universal Music Group and Spotify, alleging they conspired to falsely pump up the popularity of Kendrick Lamar's 'Not Like Us', a song that viciously attacked Drake amid a bitter feud between the two hip-hop superstars.

The petition in a New York court on Monday by the rapper's company Frozen Moments LLC demands the preservation and divulgence of information that might be evidence in a potential lawsuit against the streaming giant Spotify and UMG, which is the distributor for the record labels of both Drake and Lamar.

In allegations that UMG calls "offensive and untrue," the filing says that UMG "launched a campaign to manipulate and

saturate the streaming services and airwaves with a song, 'Not Like Us,' in order to make that song go viral, including by using bots' and pay-to-play agreements." It said the company and Spotify "have a long-standing, symbiotic business relationship" and alleges that UMG offered special licensing rates to Spotify for the song. The petition also says UMG has fired employees seen as loyal to Drake "in an apparent effort to conceal its schemes."

Universal Music Group said in a statement in response that the "suggestion that UMG would do anything to undermine any of its artists is offensive and untrue. We employ the highest ethical practices in our marketing and promotional campaigns. No amount of contrived and absurd legal argu-



ments in this pre-action submission can mask the fact that fans choose the music they want to hear."

'Not Like Us', the wildly popular Lamar single released in May as part of a flurry of duelling tracks by the two artists, includes the lyrics, "Say, Drake, I hear you like 'em young, You better not ever go to cell block one." It has gotten more than 900 million plays, according to figures listed on Spotify.

Spotify representatives declined immediate comment, but in a statement on a previous case the company said it "invests heavily in automated and manual reviews to prevent, detect, and mitigate the impact of artificial streaming on our platform," and in broader public statements has said it has gone to great lengths to mitigate the effects

of bad actors on streaming numbers and royalties.

The feud between Drake, a 38-year-old Canadian rapper and singer and five-time Grammy winner; and Lamar, a 37-year-old Pulitzer Prize winner who is set to headline the next Super Bowl halftime, is among the biggest in hip-hop in recent years, with two of the genre's biggest stars at its centre.

The two were occasional collaborators more than a decade ago, but Lamar began taking public jabs at Drake starting in 2013. The fight escalated steeply earlier this year. The move to court, while not yet a lawsuit, still represents a major escalation of the feud and involves some of the biggest business partners of both men.

Indian Constitution live, progressive document: President Murmu



NEW DELHI, Nov 26 (Agencies): The Indian Constitution is a live and progressive document through we have achieved the goals of social justice and inclusive development, President Droupadi Murmu said on Tuesday.

Addressing an event to kickstart the year-

long celebrations of the 75th anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution, Murmu recalled the contribution of the 15 women members of the Constituent Assembly in framing the document.

"Our Constitution is a living and progressive document. Through our Constitution, we have

achieved the goals of social justice and inclusive development," she said.

"Law on women reservation has started new era of women empowerment in our democracy," added Murmu.

The president also released the Maithili and Sanskrit versions of the Constitution.

Samvidhan Divas: PM Modi, HM Shah greet people on 75th anniversary of Constitution

NEW DELHI, Nov 26 (Agencies): Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday greeted people on the 75th anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution.

Taking on X, PM Modi posted, "Happy Constitution Day to all countrymen on the auspicious occasion of the 75th anniversary of the Indian Constitution. #75YearsOfConstitution"

Home Minister Amit Shah also extended a greeting of 'Constitution Day', he affirmed that the Constitution is a 'mantra of national unity and integrity by ensuring justice and equal rights.'

Conveying heartiest greetings to the people on 'Constitution Day', the home minister said India is celebrating the 75th anniversary of the Constitution with great enthusiasm and to



commemorate the contribution of the architects of the Constitution.

"The strength of democracy of a huge country like India is our Constitution, which gives the mantra of national unity and integrity by ensuring justice and equal rights to every person," he wrote on 'X' in Hindi with the

hashtag #75YearsOfConstitution.

Shah said the Constitution is not just a book to be displayed on stage, but it is the key to make the highest contribution to public life by internalising it with full devotion. "Let us pledge to build a strong, prosperous and self-reliant India on this Consti-

tution Day," he said.

The Constituent Assembly adopted the Constitution at the Central Hall of Parliament on November 26, 1949.

The Constitution came into force on January 26, 1950.

The day of its adoption is observed as Samvidhan Divas.

The government has planned a yearlong celebration of the anniversary of the Constitution's adoption, starting with President Droupadi Murmu's address to a joint sitting of parliamentarians here on Tuesday.

Modi is expected to speak at another event in the evening.

Both the ruling BJP and the opposition parties have been locked in a war of words, accusing each other of working against the constitutional values.

Constitution powerful tool to protect poorest section of society: Rahul

NEW DELHI, Nov 26 (Agencies): The Congress on Tuesday urged citizens to protect the ethos of the Constitution and said the struggle to defend India's inherent philosophy must be reinvigorated and reignited in the 75th year of its adoption.

Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi said the Constitution is a powerful tool to protect the poorest and weakest sections of society, and the stronger it is, the stronger the country will be.

In a swipe at the BJP, the opposition party also asserted that at a time when those out to destroy the Constitution are showing insincere commitment towards it, "our duty to protect it and fight for its true values becomes all the more relevant".

Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge said the people of India should come together to protect each and every thought expressed in the Constitution.

"The 75th year of the adoption of the Constitution has begun today. I extend my warmest wishes to all Indians on this historic occasion," the Congress president said in a post on X.

"The Constitution of India, painstakingly and carefully drafted by our foremothers and forefathers is the lifeblood of our nation. It guarantees us social, economic and political rights. It constitutes India into a sovereign socialist democratic republic," he said.

Justice, liberty, equality and fraternity are not just ideals or ideas, they are the way of life



for 140 crore Indians, Kharge asserted.

"Today, we recall the tremendous contribution of the Constituent Assembly and its prolific members. We are forever indebted to their vision and wisdom," he said.

Kharge said Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Babasaheb Dr BR Ambedkar, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Dr Rajendra Prasad, KM Munshi, Sarojini Naidu, Alladi Krishnaswamy Ayyar, Rajkumari Amrit Kaur and several eminent personalities were not just revered national icons but inspiring personalities who became the torchbearers of hope for generations together.

No mention of the Constituent Assembly should be complete without recalling the contribution of the 15 women members who provided equally important inputs for an inclusive India, the Congress president said.

"We must also not forget that the Constituent Assembly received uncountable suggestions from ordinary citizens which are a matter of record," he said.

The Objectives Resolution moved by

Nehru and Ambedkar's momentous last speech to the Constituent Assembly form the Magna Carta in protecting the tenets of the Constitution, he said.

"We, the patriotic citizens of India, now have the onerous task of protecting the ethos of the Constitution," Kharge said.

"We, the people of India, should, therefore, come together to protect each and every thought expressed in the Constitution," he said.

In the 75th year of the Constitution's adoption, the struggle to defend India's inherent philosophy must be reinvigorated and reignited, just like the era of the national movement, the Congress president said.

Former Congress chief Rahul Gandhi said, "Heartiest greetings to all of you on Constitution Day. The basic spirit of our Constitution is that justice and rights should be equal for all. Everyone should get an opportunity to live with self-respect."

"The Constitution is a powerful tool to protect the poorest and weakest sections of society. The stronger it is, the stronger our country will be," he said.

"On this day, I salute the fighters, martyrs and every member of the Constituent Assembly who protected the idea of the Constitution and reiterate my resolve to protect it," Gandhi said.

Congress general secretary Priyanka Gandhi Vadra said that freedom fighters and great people together created a Constitution that ensured freedom, equality, fraternity and justice for crores of Indians.

"Our Constitution is the protective shield of crores of Indians which gives them every kind of rights. Happy Constitution Day to all the people of the country," she said.

"Salute to the great ancestors, martyrs, revolutionaries and every member of the Constituent Assembly. This democracy and Constitution, obtained from their tireless hard work and sacrifices, is our pride. Come, let us pledge that we will protect it in every situation," Priyanka Gandhi said in her post in Hindi on X.

Congress general secretary in-charge organisation K C Venugopal said India marks an important landmark as it celebrates the 75th Constitution Day today, a day when Ambedkar's revolutionary text was adopted by the Constituent Assembly.

The Constitution of India is not merely a document, it is India's soul and history of millennia in motion, he said in a post on X.

"A living document that gives hope to 140 crore Indians, the Constitution is what keeps the ideals of justice, equality, inclusivity and democracy

alive in India," Venugopal said.

"At a time when those out to destroy the Constitution are showing insincere commitment towards it, our duty to protect it and fight for its true values becomes all the more relevant," Venugopal said.

Congress general communications Jairam Ramesh recalled two books on the 75th anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution of India by the Constituent Assembly.

Many books have been, and continue to be written on the making of the Constitution. But two have become evergreen classics, he said.

"Granville Austin's scholarly 'The Indian Constitution: Cornerstone of a Nation' first appeared in 1966. He had got unprecedented access to the private collections of a number of key personalities, especially Dr. Rajendra Prasad and K.M. Munshi. He had also interviewed many members of the Constituent Assembly," Ramesh said.

B Shiva Rao's magisterial four-volume "The Framing of the Indian Constitution" was published in 1968, he noted. It has a very poignant letter from Nehru to Shiva Rao on writing a foreword sent just three days before the then prime minister passed away, Ramesh recalled.

Incidentally, Shiva Rao's almost now-forgotten brother Benegal Narsing Rau was a pivotal player in the making of the Constitution, he said.

Truck ploughs into sleeping nomads in Kerala : 5 dead, including 2 children

THRISSUR, Nov 26 (Agencies): At least five people, including two children, were killed and six others were injured when a truck ploughed into the roadside tent where they were sleeping in this district early on Tuesday, police said.

The victims, nomads living in tents set up along the highway, were struck by the truck on a national highway in Nattika, under the Valapad police station limits, at around 4.30 am, they said. Among the deceased are two children, aged one-and-a-half and four years. Two women were also killed.

According to the police, the truck was coming from Kannur with timber and the cleaner, who did not have a license, was driving the vehicle when the accident occurred.

The driver and the cleaner have been taken into custody. "Both of them were drunk," a senior police officer told reporters here.

Thrissur City police commissioner R Ilango, who visited the accident site, said that a case under the non-bailable provision of culpable homicide not amounting to murder under the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) has

been registered. The offence carries a punishment of a 10-year imprisonment, he said.

Another officer said the vehicle was speeding according to witnesses and the driver and cleaner tried to escape after the accident. "They were caught by locals and handed over to the police," the officer said.

District Collector Arjun Pandian, who also visited the site, told media that all the injured, including two who are in serious condition, are undergoing treatment at the Thrissur Medical College and they will be taken care of. He also said that the inquest and postmortem would be completed quickly and the bodies would be handed over to their respective families. "Have sought a detailed report from the police," he said.

State Revenue Minister K Rajan said a detailed report has been sought from the police and the Collector. Terming the incident as "unfortunate", Rajan said there were serious lapses on the part of the driver and cleaner according to the initial findings of the police. He also said that the circumstances behind the victims having to sleep on the roadside will be examined.

Four women killed, 16 injured in van-truck collision in Gujarat's Surendranagar

SURENDRANAGAR, Nov 26 (Agencies): Four women were killed and 16 others injured after their pickup van collided with a truck in Gujarat's Surendranagar district, police said on Tuesday.

The incident took place near Chotila around 10:30 pm on Monday, said Inspector I B Valvi of the local police station. The van, heading for Somnath from Shiyani village in Limbdi taluka of the district, was carrying 20 passengers. Two of them died on the spot following the collision while two more died in hospital, she said.

The truck, coming from the opposite direction, turned right to halt at a roadside hotel and it led to the collision, the official said.

The victims were going to Somnath to perform 'pitru tarpan,' a ritual for deceased ancestors.

All the 16 injured persons were receiving treatment at the Rajkot civil hospital.

The deceased, who were related to each other, were identified as Magjiben Rethariya (72), Galalben Rethariya (60), Manjuben Rethariya (65) and Gauriben Rethariya (68).

Eknath Shinde resigns, Governor asks him to act as caretaker Chief Minister

MUMBAI, Nov 26 (Agencies): Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde on Tuesday morning met Governor C P Radhakrishnan here and tendered his resignation following the results of the assembly elections.

The governor asked Shinde to act as a caretaker chief minister till the new CM is sworn in, as suspense continues over who would be the ruling Mahayuti coalition's choice for the post following its landslide victory.

Shinde was accompanied by deputy Chief Ministers Devendra Fadnis and Ajit Pawar as he visited the Raj Bhavan.

The term of the outgoing



Maharashtra assembly ends on November 26.

Deepak Kesarkar, who served as a minister in the Eknath Shinde cabinet, told reporters, "The chief minister has tendered his resignation.

The governor has asked him

to act as a caretaker chief minister."

To a question, Kesarkar said the new government will be sworn in at the earliest.

Despite the Mahayuti alliance of the BJP, Shinde-led Shiv Sena and Ajit Pawar's NCP

securing a massive victory, winning 230 seats in the 288-member assembly, consensus has eluded the ruling combine's leaders so far on who should be the next CM.

When asked who will be the next CM, Kesarkar said, "Every political worker desires that the CM should be from his or her party, but whatever decision Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah take will be acceptable to all of us."

"Shinde has told the senior leaders (apparent reference to Modi and Shah) that whatever decision they take is acceptable to him," the Shiv Sena leader added.

Four women dead as explosion wrecks three houses in MP's Morena



MORENA, Nov 26 (Agencies): Four women died and five others were injured after an explosion caused three houses to collapse in Madhya Pradesh's Morena city, police said on Tuesday.

The incident took place in the city's Rathore Colony area around midnight, said Superintendent of Police Sameer Saurabh.

The body of one of the deceased women was still being extricated from under the debris, he said.

Vasudev Rathore, whose house was destroyed in the explosion and whose 28-year-old daughter-in-law was among the deceased, expressed suspicion that the blast was caused by gunpowder.

LPG cylinders were found intact during the removal of debris, he told reporters.

Sub Divisional Magistrate Bhupendra Singh Kushwaha said the reason behind the blast was yet not clear.

A Forensic Science Laboratory team will be able to ascertain whether it was gunpowder or a gas cylinder that exploded, he added.

The injured persons were sent to Gwalior for further treatment, said a doctor at the Morena district hospital.

Donald Trump's Re-election sparks a healthcare shift in reproductive choices

WASHINGTON, Nov 26 (Agencies): Donald Trump's re-election has unleashed a wave of uncertainty, sparking changes in reproductive healthcare decisions across the country. His administration's anti-abortion policies, coupled with the overturning of *Roe v. Wade*, have reignited fears amongst young adults and parents about the future of women's reproductive rights. Concerns over rising teenage pregnancies and restricted access to abortion dominate public conversations.

The impact is visible in healthcare trends. Planned Parenthood has reported a 1,200% surge in vasectomy appointments just days after the election. Appointments for IUDs have jumped 760%, while birth control implants rose by 350%. Emergency contraception sales are at an all-time high, with a staggering 1,000% increase in demand. Pharmacies and clinics are scrambling to meet the surge, some facing critical shortages of emergency contraception and other reproductive health supplies.

Men are playing a larger role in contraception, as options like vasectomies gain traction. Social media campaigns, under hashtags like #SnipResponsibly and #VasectomyNow, encourage male responsibility



in family planning. This cultural shift underscores the growing awareness of shared responsibilities between genders.

However, the stakes are dire. Experts warn of unsafe back-alley abortion practices resurfacing due to restrictive laws, leading to a potential 21% rise in maternal mortality in states with abortion bans. Without safe access to reproductive care, public health risks are escalating rapidly.

Trump's stance on reproductive rights remains inconsistent. While advocating for state control, he has hinted at supporting a federal ban after 15 weeks of pregnancy, with exceptions for rape, incest, or risks to the mother's life. He also criticized extreme state laws, like Florida's six-week abortion ban, as a "terrible mistake." His re-

productive healthcare access. Telehealth providers report record-breaking requests for contraceptives and abortion pills, leaving many struggling to keep up with demand.

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reproductive healthcare access. Telehealth providers report record-breaking requests for contraceptives and abortion pills, leaving many struggling to keep up with demand.

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In response, advocates are intensifying efforts to protect reproductive rights. Grassroots campaigns are mobilising to push for federal protections, ensuring safe and accessible care. Communities, healthcare providers, and organisations are uniting to provide resources and support in navigating these challenges.

As Americans grapple with political influences on personal decisions, proactive choices in contraception are emerging as a form of empowerment. The fight for reproductive freedom continues, reflecting a collective determination to safeguard personal healthcare amid uncertain times.

Nepal says no loan pact will be signed during PM Oli's visit to Beijing



KATHMANDU, Nov 26 (Agencies): Nepal Prime Minister KP Sharma Oli, who is set to embark on a five-day visit to China on December 2, has stressed that no agreement on loan would be reached with Beijing during his upcoming tour. The development came amid reports of disagreement with Nepal's ruling coalition about signing Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) projects with loan components.

Mr Oli, during recent a meeting with former PMs and foreign ministers, claimed the BRI deal signed with China was not a loan-based agreement and there was no need to discuss now whether or not to seek a loan from Beijing.

"We take loans or grants based on our national interests as and

when we need them from any country or agency. We should not be swayed by the baseless rumour that a loan is being taken to entrap the country," Mr Oli clarified. "Irrespective of the country we chose for our first visit, we keep sovereignty, independence and freedom as well as national welfare along with global welfare in top priority," he said.

Mr Oli's remarks came amid speculations that Nepali Congress, led by Sher Bahadur Deuba, favours grants from China under BRI while the priority of Nepali Prime Minister's Communist Party of Nepal-United Marxist Leninist (CPN-UML) is to seek loans under the arrangement.

KP Oli's China Visit In a departure from

the tradition of Nepal's newly elected leaders visiting India first, which was seen as a nod to the close ties between Kathmandu and New Delhi, PM Oli chose China for his maiden visit since taking office. The Prime Minister's office justified the move saying the visit to Beijing was fixed recently, and that New Delhi has not extended an invitation to Mr Oli thus far.

However, Mr Oli is known for his pro-China stance. On multiple occasions over the past decade, Mr Oli and his CPN-UML have advocated for closer ties with China. In 2016, Mr Oli made his maiden visit to China as Prime Minister. Soon after, his administration sought to improve cross-border railroad connectivity, infrastructure development, trade, investment and tourism cooperation with China under the framework of the Belt and Road Initiative.

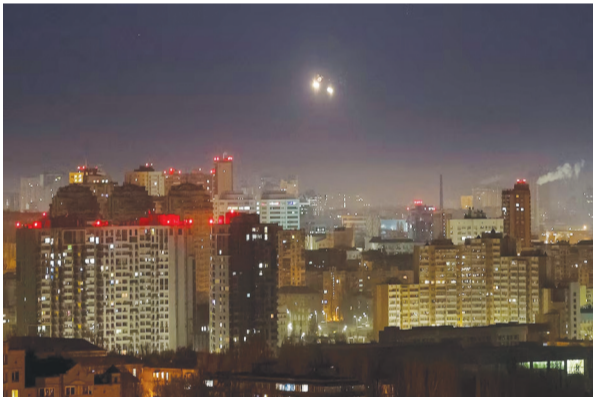
However, the agreement signed in 2017, is yet to be finalised, as China and Nepal have been unable to negotiate a loan under the BRI despite intense efforts from Beijing.

Russia sets new drone attack record in overnight Ukraine barrage

KYIV, Nov 26 (Agencies): Russia launched a record-high 188 strike drones into Ukraine on Monday night and Tuesday morning, expanding its long-range campaign against Ukrainian infrastructure to coincide with the onset of winter. Ukraine's air force said on Telegram that it downed 76 drones. Another 95 were lost in flight -- possibly due to jamming efforts -- and five flew into Belarus.

Russia also fired four Iskander-M ballistic missiles as part of the assault, the air force said. None were shot down.

"Unfortunately, critical infrastructure objects have been hit, and private and multi-apartment buildings have been damaged in several regions due to a mass attack by UAVs," the air force wrote. Recent weeks have



seen a clear intensification of Russian drone and missile strikes on Ukraine, with the scale and regularity of such attacks on the rise. The previous largest attack of 145 drones occurred on Nov. 10.

As in previous winters, Russia is attacking critical energy infrastructure in a bid to deny Ukrainians power and warmth through the coming freezing months. Temperatures in Ukraine have already fallen below freezing and will

remain low until early spring.

Monday night's drone attack damaged energy infrastructure in the western city of Ternopil, Serhii Nadal -- the head of the local regional defense body -- said on Telegram.

Russia's Defense Ministry, meanwhile, reported the downing of at least 39 Ukrainian drones over multiple Russian regions on Monday night. The ministry reported no damage or casualties.

Imran Khan supporters breach lockdown in Pakistani capital, at least six people killed in violence

ISLAMABAD, Nov 26 (Agencies): Supporters seeking the release of imprisoned Pakistani former premier Imran Khan on Tuesday broke through a ring of shipping containers locking down the capital Islamabad, while at least six people have died in protest-related violence. Protesters battled security forces and ignored a government threat to respond with gunfire.

The dead included four members of the security services and one civilian who were killed when a vehicle rammed them on a street. Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif denounced the attack on Tuesday, saying an "anarchist group" was deliberately targeting law enforcement personnel. There were no claims of responsibility for the ramming. A police officer died in a separate incident.

Shortly after midnight, Interior Minister Mohsin Naqvi threatened security forces would respond with live fire if protesters fired weapons at them.

"If they again fire bullets, the bullet will be responded with the bullet," he said.

Police used tear gas to try and disperse the crowds. Scores of people more have been injured,



including journalists who were attacked by Khan supporters. Dozens of Khan supporters beat a videographer covering the protest for The Associated Press and took his camera. He sustained head injuries and was being treated in a hospital.

Pakistani media have mostly stopped filming and photographing the rally, instead focusing on the security measures and the city's deserted streets.

Khan, who has been in jail for over a year and faces more than 150 criminal cases, remains popular. His party, Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf, or PTI, says the

cases are politically motivated.

Authorities say only courts can order the release of Khan, who was ousted in 2022 through a no-confidence vote in Parliament. He has been imprisoned since his first conviction in a graft case, in August 2023, and has been sentenced in several cases.

Khan's supporters were around 10 km (6.2 miles) from their destination, the city's Red Zone that houses key government buildings. Naqvi said Khan's party rejected a government offer to rally on the outskirts of the city.

Khan's wife Bushra Bibi, who is

leading the protest, told people to keep marching toward the Red Zone peacefully. She said another plan of action would be conveyed to protesters if Khan was not released. She also urged the government not to harm the demonstrators.

In a bid to foil the protest, police arrested more than 4,000 Khan supporters since Friday and suspended mobile and internet services in some parts of the country. On Thursday, a court prohibited rallies in the capital and Naqvi said anyone violating the ban would be arrested.

Travel between Islamabad and other cities has become nearly impossible because of shipping containers blocking the roads. All educational institutions remain closed. Mobile internet services and messaging platforms are experiencing severe disruption in the capital.

The PTI relies heavily on social media to demand his release and uses messaging platforms like WhatsApp to share information, including details of events. The X platform, which is banned in Pakistan, is no longer accessible even with a VPN.

The violence comes during an official visit by Belarusian President Alexander Lukashenko.

Hong Kong's top court rules in favor of equal inheritance and housing benefits for same-sex couples

HONG KONG, Nov 26 (Agencies): Hong Kong's top court on Tuesday upheld earlier rulings that favored subsidized housing benefits and equal inheritance rights for same-sex married couples, in a landmark victory for the city's LGBTQ+ community.

The Court of Final Appeal's dismissal of the government's appeals ended some yearslong legal battles over the differential treatment facing same-sex couples married overseas under Hong Kong's Housing Authority policies and two inheritance laws.

The unanimous decisions are expected to have a far-reaching impact on the lives of same-sex couples, who

have traditionally had fewer rights compared to their heterosexual counterparts in the global financial hub.

Chief Justice Andrew Cheung said in his judgement that exclusionary housing policies were argued to be beneficial to opposite-sex married couples because they increase the supply of subsidized housing for them and thereby support the institution of traditional families.

But Cheung said authorities failed to provide evidence showing the potential impact on opposite-sex couples if those policies were relaxed.

"The challenged policies cannot be justified," he wrote.

On the inheritance laws, judges Roberto Ribeiro and Joseph Fok ruled that the disputed provisions are "discriminatory and unconstitutional" in their written judgement.

Hong Kong does not recognize same-sex marriage, prompting some couples to marry elsewhere.

Currently, the city only recognizes same-sex marriage for certain purposes such as taxation, civil service benefits and dependent visas. Many of the government's concessions were won through legal challenges, and the city has seen a growing social acceptance toward same-sex marriage.

In September 2023, the top court ruled that



the government should provide a framework for recognizing same-sex partnerships. This ruling, along with other successful legal challenges brought by members of the LGBTQ+ community, made Hong Kong the only place in China to grant such recognition for same-sex couples.

In separate judgements handed down in

2020 and 2021, a lower court had ruled that the housing policies involved in Tuesday's cases violated the constitutional right to equality, and that excluding same-sex spouses from inheritance law benefits constituted unlawful discrimination.

The government had challenged these decisions at the Court of

Appeal but subsequently lost in October 2023. It then took the cases to the top court.

Nick Infinger, who first launched a judicial review against the Housing Authority in 2018, told reporters that Tuesday's rulings "acknowledged same-sex couples can love each other and deserve to live together."

"This is not only fighting for me, for my partner, but this is fighting for all the same-sex couples in Hong Kong," he said outside the court building.

Hong Kong Marriage Equality, a non-governmental organization, said in a statement that the judges' decisions made it clear that discrimination and differ-

ential treatment on the grounds of sexual orientation violate human dignity and equality. It called on the government to immediately end the exclusion of same-sex couples from marriage.

The top court's rulings also concluded a long legal journey taken by Henry Li and his late partner, Edgar Ng. After they married in Britain in 2017, Ng bought a subsidized flat as his matrimonial home with Li.

The Housing Authority, however, said Li could not be added as an authorized occupant of the flat in the capacity of Ng's family member because same-sex married partners do not fall within its definition of "spouse." Ng was also

concerned that if he died intestate, his properties would not be passed to Li, the court heard.

Ng died in 2020 after suffering years of depression.

After the rulings, Li posted a message on his Facebook page, saying that although he has lived in pain in the absence of Ng, he has not given up his husband's aspiration to pursue equality.

"Without you by my side, the arguments of the government and the Housing Authority in the cases seemed to become more cruel, causing me even more distress," he wrote to Ng in the message. "Our cases have finally reached their conclusion."

Inter-College yoga competition held at Govt. College of Education

Top News Report

JAMMU, Nov 26: The Government College of Education (GCOE), Jammu, successfully hosted an Inter-College Yoga Competition, showcasing remarkable talent and sportsmanship among participants. Four colleges—GCOE, Govt. SPMR College of Commerce, Govt. MAM College, and PSPS Govt. College for Women, Gandhi Nagar—participated in the event, which was organized by the Department of Health and Physical Education under the guidance of Prof. Ramandeep Kralia, Physical Director of GCOE.

The event was inaugurated by Dr. Vinod Bakshi, Director Sports, Cluster University of



Jammu, who served as the Chief Guest, while Dr. Jyoti Parihar, Principal of GCOE, was the Guest of Honour. Other dignitaries in attendance included Prof. Satish Sharma, Ravi Kumar (Physical Director, SPMR College), and Kajal Premi (Physical Director, PSPS Govt. College for Women, Gandhi Nagar).

The competition, officiated by Mukesh Sharma, Sabita Sharma,

and Shivani Sharma, comprised two categories: Women's Team and Men's Individual. PSPS Govt. College for Women, Gandhi Nagar, emerged victorious in the Women's Team category, while GCOE secured the runner-up position. In the Men's Singles category, Himanshu Verma (SPMR College) won the gold medal, and Gokul Sharma (MAM College) took the silver medal.

Dr. Rakesh Bharti, ITEP Coordinator, GCOE, served as the Stage Secretary and delivered exceptional anchoring for the event. The competition saw participation from 20 students, with medals distributed to all winners and participants. Speaking at the event, Dr. Vinod Bakshi commended the efforts of the organizing team and GCOE for promoting yoga and fostering a spirit of

healthy competition. Principal Dr. Jyoti Parihar, in her welcome address, encouraged participants to compete with enthusiasm and commitment.

Faculty members Prof. Sunanda Rani, Prof. Anuradha Choudhary, Dr. Davinder Kour, Dr. Shalini Rana, Dr. Shalini Sharma, and Dr. Sonam Gandotra were also present, adding to the event's significance. Senior Pharmacist, Pardeep Kumari Balli was also in the event to look after the well-being of the participants.

The competition concluded on a high note, emphasizing the importance of yoga in promoting physical and mental well-being. Refreshments were provided to all participants, ensuring a memorable experience for everyone involved.

Movement Kalki and Freedom Fighters Memorial Association honor 26/11 Martyrs in Jammu



Top News Report

JAMMU, Nov 26: On the 16th anniversary of the 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks, Movement Kalki and the Freedom Fighters Memorial Association paid tribute to the martyrs in a solemn ceremony at Amphalla Chowk, Jammu. The event honored the 166 lives lost in the tragedy that shook the nation.

The tribute began with floral offerings and a havan, symbolizing prayers for the departed

souls and national security. Leading the event, Karnail Chand, Board Member of Movement Kalki and Working President of the Freedom Fighters Memorial Association, remarked, "The sacrifice of the 26/11 martyrs reminds us of the importance of national security and unity. We must never forget their bravery."

Pritam Sharma, Advisory Board Member of Movement Kalki, emphasized the tribute as a commitment to stand

united against terrorism, saying, "Their courage inspires us to build a safer and stronger India."

The event saw participation from prominent figures, including Advocate Someshwar Kohli, Baba Khandeshwari, Vikram Mahajan, Suresh Kumar, Dr. Sudesh Kumar, and others.

A candlelight vigil and a pledge for peace and unity concluded the heartfelt ceremony, showcasing the resilience and patriotism of the community.

Department of ICDS Kishtwar organizes training for Anganwadi Workers



Top News Report

KISHTWAR, Nov 26: The Department of Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Kishtwar, led by District Program Officer (DPO) Rishi Sharma (JKAS), has launched a comprehensive training program for Anganwadi Workers (AWWs) as part of the "Poshan Bhi Padhai Bhi" initiative in the district under the Overall Supervision of Deputy Commissioner Kishtwar Sh Rajesh Kumar Shavan-JKAS.

This initiative aims to strengthen the Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) framework across the region.

Deputy Commissioner, Rajesh Kumar Shavan (JKAS) graced the event, as chief guest.

During his address, he emphasized the major role of Anganwadi Workers in fostering the overall development of children besides encouraging AWWs to work as frontline workers and serve as role models for women

empowerment in the district.

The program commenced with the National Anthem besides the Constitution Day pledge was also administered to all participants during the programme.

Speaking on the occasion, DPO Kishtwar Dr. Rishi Kumar Sharma stressed the importance of integrating education with nutrition to ensure the holistic development of children aged 0-6 years.

He highlighted that the initiative focuses on enhancing children's physical, mental, and overall well-being, akin to the care provided by a mother.

On this occasion, various Child Development Project Officers (CDPOs) also shared their insights and experiences regarding the overall development of children.

Pertinent to mention that the training program is scheduled from November 26 to December 22, 2024 with an aim to equip Anganwadi Workers with

the necessary skills and knowledge to effectively integrate ECCE components with nutrition and care services at their respective centers.

The training sessions will cover key topics, including innovative teaching methods, child nutrition, early learning strategies, and effective communication techniques.

This initiative aims to prepare Anganwadi Workers to become frontline champions in implementing the ECCE approach. They will be trained by Supervisors and Master Trainers who recently underwent specialized training in Chandigarh.

ACR Kishtwar Idrees Lone -JKAS, CDPO Nagsemi, Najeeb Latief (JKAS); CDPO Inderwal/Marwah/Warwan, Dr. Kuldeep Kumar (JKAS); and CDPO Kishtwar, Rahida Lone (JKAS), along with Supervisors, Master Trainers, Anganwadi Workers, and other ICDS staff members also remained present in the training.

Govt ITI Kishtwar celebrates National Constitution Day

Top News Report

KISHTWAR, Nov 26: November 26, marks a momentous occasion as the staff and trainees of Government ITI Kishtwar come together to take the pledge in celebration of National Constitution Day, also known as Samvidhan Divas. This day serves as a solemn reminder of the vision, dedication, and wisdom of the

effect on January 26, 1950, marking India's transition into a sovereign republic.

The celebrations at ITI Kishtwar today were not only ceremonial but a living tribute to the democratic ideals that unite us as a nation. Trainees from various trades participated in readings of the Preamble, insightful discussions, and cultural events. These activities served to reaffirm our



framers of our Constitution, most notably Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, whose monumental efforts crafted the framework for justice, equality, liberty, and fraternity that forms the foundation of our nation.

On this day in 1949, the Constituent Assembly of India formally adopted the Constitution, a transformative document that enshrines the core principles of democracy and secularism, ensuring the unity and diversity of our great nation. The Constitution came into

shared commitment to upholding the values enshrined in the Constitution, reminding us of our collective responsibility as citizens to protect and promote these ideals.

As we commemorate this day, we reflect on the transformative power of the Constitution, a beacon that has guided India towards justice and equality. Let us renew our pledge to build a more inclusive, harmonious, and progressive nation in the spirit of the Constitution.

Police arrests two drug peddlers, contraband substance recovered

Top News Report

ANANTNAG, Nov 26: In a significant breakthrough in the fight against drug trafficking, police have arrested two drug peddlers in Anantnag and recovered contraband substances from their possession.

A Police team from Police Station Srigufwara at a checkpoint established near the hospital crossing in Sirhama intercepted a suspicious person. A thorough search led to the recovery of approximately 3 kilograms of illicit cannabis powder from his possession.

The accused has been identified as Gulzar Ahmad Rather, son of Mohd Ayoub Rather, a resident of Sirhama.

In another separate operation, a police team from Police Station Bijbehara established a naka at Doodnard Waghama. During the checkpoint inspection, the team intercepted a vehicle bearing registration number JK03G-8966. Upon searching the vehicle, 3.350 kilograms of a charas was recovered from his possession. The accused driver has been identified as Gulzar Ahmad Rather, son of Gh.

Rasool Rather resident of Waghama, Bijbehara.

Both the accused have been arrested and shifted to respective police stations where they remain in custody. Accordingly, cases under relevant sections of the law have been registered at Police Station Srigufwara and Police Station Bijbehara and further investigation has been initiated.

Police remain committed to intensifying efforts against drug trafficking and ensuring the safety and well-being of the community by curbing the distribution of illegal substances.

Police arrests two drug peddlers, contraband substances recovered

Top News Report

SRINAGAR, Nov 26: Continuing its efforts to eradicate the menace of drugs from the society, police have arrested two drug peddlers in Srinagar and recovered contraband substances from their possession.

Today, during naka checking at 90 Feet Road near Matoo Steel, two vehicles (Scooty) bearing registration No JK01AN-6945 and (Zen) bearing registration No. JK01H-5675 were intercepted which were coming simultaneously from Awantabawan and moving towards Elahibagh. During search of vehicle (Zen Car), 10 grams of Brown Sugar was recovered from the driver of said car. He has been identified as Shabir Ahmed Mir son of Gh. Qadir resident of Bilal Colony Soura. Similarly, during the search of Scooty rider 6 grams of Brown Sugar like substance was recovered

from his possession. The accused rider has been identified as Shah Murtaza Iqbal son of Mohd Iqbal Shah resident of Bilal Colony Soura. They have been arrested and shifted to police station where they remain in custody. Vehicles used in the commission of crime have also been seized.

During questioning, it came to fore that both the accused individuals are chronic drug peddlers and are actively involved in selling of illegal drugs among the youth of District Srinagar especially among the youth of Soura area.

In this regard, a case vide FIR No. 90/2024 under relevant sections of law has been registered at Police Station Soura and further investigation is going on. Community members are requested to come forward with any information regarding drug peddling in their neighbourhood. Persons found indulging in drug peddling will be dealt as per law.

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President Murmu pays homage to bravehearts who lost lives in Mumbai terror attack

paying homage to the bravehearts who lost their lives and expressing solidarity with their families," Murmu said in a post on X.

"A grateful nation salutes its valiant security personnel who made the ultimate sacrifice while protecting our people. It is also the day to reiterate that India remains firmly committed to defeating terrorism in all its forms," the president added.

Dr Farooq, Omar Abdullah other NC leaders arrive in Madina for Umrah Pilgrimage

Upon their arrival in Madina, the leaders visited Masjid-e-Nabawi, the second holiest site in Islam, where they offered prayers, seeking divine guidance, mercy, and peace for the people of Jammu and Kashmir.

Centre approves Rs 1,115 Crore to States for disaster mitigation, capacity-building projects

Nagaland, Sikkim, and Tripura. The committee, comprising Union ministers for finance and agriculture and the vice chairman of the NITI Aayog as members, considered the proposal to mitigate landslide risk in 15 states for funding from the National Disaster Mitigation Fund (NDMF).

Another proposal for training and capacity building of civil defence volunteers in all states and UT's under-preparedness and capacity building from the funding window of the National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) was also considered, it said.

Earlier, the committee approved Urban Flood Risk Mitigation Projects in seven cities at a total outlay of Rs 3075.65 crore and Glacial Lake Outburst Flood (GLOF) risk management projects in four states at a total outlay of Rs 150 crore from the NDMF.

To fulfil Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of disaster resilient India, the Ministry of Home Affairs under the guidance of Shah has taken several initiatives to ensure effective management of disasters in the country, the statement said. Several steps have been taken to pre-

vent any extensive loss of life and property during disasters by strengthening the disaster risk reduction system in India, it said.

Under the Modi government, more than Rs 21,476 crore has already been released to the states during this year. This includes Rs 14,878.40 crore from the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) to 26 states, Rs 4,637.66 crore from the NDRF to 15 states, Rs 1,385.45 crore from the State Disaster Mitigation Fund (SDMF) to 11 states and Rs 574.93 crore from NDMF to six states.

Five landlords booked for renting out properties to Rohingya people in Jammu

action as "a significant step to curb the illegal influx of Rohingya refugees and to ensure public safety".

Police also referred to an order issued by the Jammu District Commissioner, making police verification of tenants mandatory for all property owners in the district.

This directive comes in light of increasing concerns regarding the potential threat posed by anti-social elements and unauthorised individuals who may use rented properties for illegal activities, authorities said.

Police said they remain committed to safeguarding the interests of the public

and urged all landlords to exercise due diligence and conduct a thorough police verification of tenants before renting out property.

'Disheartening' to see Country's largest minority facing 'Unprecedented Threats', Says Mehbooba

see the largest minority in our country facing unprecedented threats. Their dignity, lives, livelihoods and places of worship are under attack, contradicting the Constitution's guarantee of equal rights and dignity for every citizen, regardless of their background," the former Jammu and Kashmir chief said in a post on X.

The violence in Sambhal, where four people died, "is a painful reminder of this harsh reality", she said.

"This trend of searching for temples under mosques continues despite a clear Supreme Court ruling that the status quo on all religious places, as they existed in 1947, should be maintained," Mehbooba added.

The PDP chief also said the "erosion of constitutional values and the rule of law is extremely concerning".

"...and unless we who believe in the idea

of India rise up to defend these values, our nation risks losing its unique identity and becoming indistinguishable from its neighbours," she added.

Three-day wet weather likely to bring rain, snowfall over J&K from Nov 30: MeT

remaining the coldest spots. The MeT officials said Gulmarg's minimum temperature stayed at -2.4°C for the second consecutive day on Tuesday, and it was 0.5°C below normal for the valley of meadow in north Kashmir's Baramulla district.

The night temperature further dipped at Pahalgam, recorded at minus 2.7°C during the intervening night of Monday and Tuesday against the minus 2.3°C recorded the previous night. It was 0.6°C below normal for the tourist destination of South Kashmir's Anantnag district. The minimum temperature at Srinagar improved and was recorded at 0.7°C against the 4.0°C recorded the previous night. It was 0.6°C above normal for the summer capital of Jammu and Kashmir during this period of the season.

Qazigund recorded a low of minus 0.8°C on Tuesday against the 5.0°C, Kupwara minus 0.8°C against the 1.2°C, and the picnic spot of Kokernag in south Kashmir recorded at 1.8°C against the 2.8°C recorded on Monday, the MeT office said.

Dhruv Chopra launches Luxury Attar Brand 'Dhruvyam - The Luxurious Fragrance'

Top News Report

JAMMU, Nov 26: Marking a new chapter in the world of luxury fragrances, entrepreneur Dhruv Chopra has unveiled his exclusive Attar brand, 'Dhruvyam - The Luxurious Fragrance', an ode to India's rich heritage of natural attar production. With a commitment to crafting enchanting, all-natural scents, Dhruvyam has become the first luxury brand in northern India to offer 100% natural attars produced through in-house distillation. Speaking at the



launch, Dhruv Chopra expressed, "At Dhruvyam, we believe that luxury lies in authenticity and quality. Our Attars are a celebration of India's timeless allure and craftsmanship, where every drop of attar

narrates an unforgettable story." Positioned as a premier eCommerce venture, Dhruvyam is redefining the perfume landscape in India. Its exquisite collection features fragrances sourced from the finest

raw materials across various regions of the country. Each Attar is a masterful amalgamation of diverse notes, meticulously crafted using time-honored techniques to provide an unparalleled sensory experience. Currently, Dhruvyam Attars are available in 3ml and 6ml packs, with prices ranging from Rs 6,000 to Rs 40,000, catering to discerning customers who appreciate sophistication and exclusivity. The brand is readily available online on dhruvyam.com and prominent outlets like Puri's and soon will be

available across Jammu via premium stores like Rakesh Jewelers and is also working on expanding its presence across India. While Dhruvyam has successfully established its footprint in India, the brand is now gearing up to enter international markets, bringing the essence of Indian natural fragrances to a global audience, he added. Discover the timeless magic of natural attars and embark on a fragrant journey with Dhruvyam. For more details or to shop online, visit dhruvyam.com.

LG highlights global push for J&K artisans at WCC's 60th jubilee meeting

Top News Report

SRINAGAR, Nov 26: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha, speaking at the 60th Jubilee Meeting of the World Crafts Council (WCC) held at SKICC in Srinagar, emphasized the efforts of his administration to connect Jammu and Kashmir's artisans with global markets. He highlighted the inclusion of Srinagar as a World Craft City, marking a significant achievement for the region. Sinha outlined various initiatives to transform Srinagar into a smart city, with upgrades in infrastructure and smart solutions

aimed at improving living standards and enhancing the city's global appeal. He stressed the government's commitment to preserving and promoting the region's handicrafts, including Kashmiri carpets and Pashmina wool, which are globally recognized for their quality. The LG discussed government programs supporting artisans, such as financial schemes and training initiatives designed to help them compete in modern markets. He also mentioned the improvement in J&K's Export Promotion Index, with the region rising

from 25th to 17th place in 2023-2024. Sinha pointed to the role of over 5,000 cooperative societies that support local artisans and help create a collaborative environment for their growth. The successful Geographical Indication (GI) tagging of several iconic J&K products was also highlighted as a measure to protect their authenticity and cultural heritage. Sinha concluded by reiterating the government's goal to ensure the continued growth of J&K's crafts, both in terms of global recognition and economic empowerment for artisans.

Kavinder meets Haryana CM Saini; discusses investment opportunities in J&K



Top News Report

DELHI, Nov 26: Senior BJP leader and former Deputy Chief Minister of Jammu and Kashmir, Kavinder Gupta, today called on Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini and congratulated him on the BJP's resounding victory in the Haryana Assembly polls for the second consecutive term. During the meeting, Kavinder Gupta extended warm wishes on behalf of the BJP cadre in J&K and lauded CM Saini's leadership, which has propelled Haryana

onto a trajectory of consistent development and progress. The discussion also focused on the transformative impact of the abrogation of Article 370 in Jammu and Kashmir. Kavinder apprised CM Saini of the remarkable changes that have unfolded in J&K since the historic decision by the Modi Government. Highlighting the new era of peace, stability, and growth in the Union Territory, he said, "Jammu and Kashmir is witnessing unprecedented development under the visionary leadership of Prime Min-

ister Narendra Modi. The removal of Article 370 has unleashed a wave of opportunities, with significant improvements in infrastructure, tourism, and governance." Kavinder also emphasized the immense potential for investment in J&K, stating that the region is now a hub for business opportunities due to the ease of doing business reforms implemented by the Modi Government. He urged CM Saini to encourage industrialists and entrepreneurs from Haryana to explore J&K as an investment destination. "The Modi government has streamlined policies to create a conducive environment for industries and businesses. This is the perfect time for investors to tap into J&K's potential, especially in sectors like tourism, agriculture, and IT," he remarked. The meeting concluded on a positive note, with CM Nayab Singh Saini expressing his appreciation for the tremendous changes in J&K, assuring his Government's support in fostering economic collaborations between the two regions.

Ashok Bhan extends Constitution Day Greetings to citizens

Top News Report

JAMMU, Nov 26: On the occasion of Samvidhan Diwas, noted Senior Advocate of the Supreme Court and prominent apex bar leader, Ashok Bhan, extended his heartfelt greetings to the citizens of India and across the globe. As India celebrates the 75th anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution of India by the Constituent Assembly, Bhan reminded everyone of the significance of this historic day. Speaking at an event organized by the Asia Pacific Lawyers Group, Bhan emphasized that while the Constitution grants rights to citizens, it also establishes responsibilities for both the government and the people. "It casts duties on citizens to follow the rule of law, and to safeguard democracy, people must uphold values such as independence, self-respect, unity, and oneness," he stated. Bhan further urged that citizens must choose their representatives wisely, selecting individuals who are honest,

grounded, and firmly committed to Constitutional values. Constitution Day, also known as Samvidhan Diwas or National Law Day, is celebrated annually to commemorate the adoption of the Indian Constitution on November 26, 1949. This day serves as a reminder of the Constitution's role in governing the country and ensuring justice, equality, and democracy. It was formally recognized as National Law Day in 2015, marking the 125th birth anniversary of Dr. Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar, the chief architect of the Constitution. The day is observed with various initiatives, including online quizzes and the public reading of the Preamble to the Constitution. President Droupadi Murmu, in her address, underscored the importance of the Constitution and the role of the judiciary in safeguarding its principles. Constitution Day reaffirms India's commitment to democracy, justice, and equality, reminding citizens of their duty to uphold these ideals.

CEC, LAHDC inspects sanitary pad machine, Acheley Block Painting under Operation Sadhbhavana

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LEH, Nov 26: The Chairman/CEC, LAHDC Leh, Adv. Tashi Gyalson attended a function to inspect the sanitary pad machine and Acheley Block Painting under Operation Sadhbhavana at Martselang village. The event was graced by the presence of the Executive Councillor, Stanzin Choshpel; Swati Pandey; SDM Kharu, Sonam Dorjey; CEO Signal Division, Col. Varun Mediratta; officers of the unit; members of the women's association from Martselang; members of Acheley Block Painting from Sachikul, and villagers.



Additionally, the CEC visited a stall showcasing Ladakhi handloom and handicraft artifacts designed by Acheley Block Painting members from Sachukul village. He discussed ideas with the members and assured them of support in registering their society. Addressing the gathering, the CEC expressed gratitude to Smt. Swati Pandey and her team for initiating the sanitary pad and block painting projects. He remarked that such initiatives contribute to the vision of Viksit Bharat 2047. He lauded the efforts of the women's association in both projects and appreciated the Indian Army's role in fostering Ladakh's development. The CEC praised the production of biodegradable sanitary pads, which are priced at 50% less than the market rate. They also requested the CEC to facilitate the marketing of the pads.

emphasizing their environmental benefits and significance for women's hygiene in Ladakh. He assured that LAHDC Leh is committed to supporting such initiatives for women's empowerment and providing necessary assistance. During the event, the CEC and EC Stanzin Choshpel were felicitated by the Indian Army. Swati Pandey emphasized the long-term benefits of both projects for the people of Ladakh and requested the Hon'ble CEC's continued support to sustain them. On behalf of Martselang village, Skalzang Dadul thanked the Indian Army for adopting the village under Operation Sadhbhavana and urged the Hon'ble CEC to assist with marketing provisions for the sanitary pads.

Shiv Sena raises demand of full statehood, constitutional rights under Section 371 on Constitution Day



Tribute paid to martyrs of 26/11 attack, demand for hanging culprits on Indian soil

JAMMU, Nov 26: Shiv Sena (UBT) Jammu and Kashmir unit leaders today paid tribute to the martyrs of 26/11 attack at the party state central office. Party's state chief Manish Sahni said that 16 years ago, in 2008, about 174 people including 20 security personnel, 26 foreign nationals were martyred in this terrorist attack in Mumbai and more than 300 people were injured. Our security personnel had sent all the terrorists who carried out the attack to hell, but the main conspirator of the attack, Lashkar-e-Taiba founder Hafiz Saeed and other criminals are still alive and safe in Pakistan. They should be brought to India and hanged.

laws on this day in 1949 and made its own constitution and established the sovereignty of India which was implemented on 26th January 1950. Sahni has demanded from the central government in the ongoing winter session to return the state status of Jammu and Kashmir by respecting its constitutional rights and to give special rights to the people of Jammu and Kashmir on their land, resources and jobs as per Article 371 of the Constitution, on the lines of the Northeast and Himachal Pradesh. Sahni said that this will also put a full stop to the demand for Article 370 and the ongoing politics. On this occasion Gen Secretary Vikas Bakshi, working President Jai Bharti , Sr. Vice president Balwant Singh & Sanjeev Kohli, president Kanghar wing Raj Singh , Secretary Geeta Lakhotra, Dimple, Jagdeep , Sanjeev and many others were present.

and demanded that the culprits of the attack be brought to India and hanged. In a program organized at the party's state central office, state chief Manish Sahni, while paying homage and tribute to Baba Saheb Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar, said that the draft committee formed under the chairmanship of Baba Saheb, after 2 years 11 months and 18 days of hard work, broke the shackles of British

Jammu's Got Talent Season 10: Unveiling hidden gems of Jammu Region

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JAMMU, Nov 26: The grand finale of Jammu's Got Talent Season 10 unfolded as an unforgettable celebration of the region's untapped creative potential at Aquaplex Bahu Fort. The event showcased a stunning array of talent from Jammu's residents, bringing together individuals from all walks of life who displayed remarkable passion, creativity, and skill. The show kicked off with a traditional Vandana, followed by an introduction by Bhanu Pratap Singh, the visionary behind Jammu's Got Talent, who shared his personal journey with the event. The ceremony was graced by esteemed dignitaries, including Chief Guest Ajay Verma, President of Swarnkarsangh Jammu, as well as VIP guests such as Brigadier Anil Gupta,



President of JKCA, and former Indian cricketer Mithun Manhas. Their presence added prestige to the evening and highlighted the importance of celebrating local talent. The event also welcomed a star-studded list of celebrity guests, further elevating its prestige. The renowned Bollywood editor of Lagaan and Dangal, Balu Saluja, producer Vinod Bachchan, second runner-up of Superstar on Sony TV, Saisha Gupta, Dr. Ankur Sharma (MS Popular Mrs.

India 2024), and several others including actor Himanshu (Zee TV), celebrity chef Ashwarya Thakur, and model Ankit Sharma graced the event. The competition was divided into three categories: Modeling, Dancing, and Singing, where participants competed fiercely to showcase their expertise. The judges had their work cut out for them as the talent on display was nothing short of extraordinary. The modeling segment featured cutting-edge designs crafted

by students from NIFD, incorporating macrame and recycled garments, underscoring the region's growing awareness of sustainability and innovation in fashion. The event was generously sponsored by notable local brands and organizations, including Nice Gems, NIFD, Lakme Academy, Naaz Makeover, Anand Jewellers, Mahaveer Radio, Wireless Communications, and Jainco Bath Fittings and Accessories. Media management was provided by Sampark North PR Agency. The show's direction was helmed by Shashi, with RJ Sapna and Akash serving as the energetic anchors, ensuring the event's smooth flow. Winners of Jammu's Got Talent Season 10: Modeling Category: Krishna Jammu, 1st, Khushi Sharma Paloura, 2nd and Lavnya Sharma & Anandi Sharma, 3rd. Singing Category: Mehak Sharma, 1st, Aryan, 2nd and Mehul Sharma Katra, 3rd. Jammu's Got Talent Season 10 was not only a vibrant showcase of creativity but also a testament to the immense talent that the Jammu region holds. This annual event has become a crucial platform for young and emerging artists, providing them with the exposure and recognition they deserve. The success of this season marks a significant milestone in the journey of local artists and sets the stage for even more remarkable talents to rise in the years to come.

DSWO Reasi inaugurates Skill Development Course under BBBP

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REASI, Nov 26: The Department of Social Welfare, in collaboration with the Jammu and Kashmir Rural Livelihood Mission (JKRLM), organized a Skill Development Training Course on "Knitting Wool Fabrics Using Innovative Women-Friendly Machinery" under the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao

(BBBP) scheme at Village Dasanoor, Block Reasi. The event was inaugurated by District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) Reasi, Sachin Sharma, and was attended by 30 members of Self Help Groups (SHGs) who will participate in the 15-day training course. In his address, DSWO Sachin Sharma emphasized the primary objec-

tive of the training course, which is to empower women by making them self-reliant. He encouraged the participants to fully engage in the training sessions, which will be conducted by Ritu Verma, a specialized trainer from Jammu with extensive experience in skill development. Sharma also sensitized the participants

about various financial schemes available to help them start self-employment ventures, assuring them of support from the department in securing forward-backward linkages with financial institutions. As part of the event, the participants pledged to celebrate Constitution Day and read the Preamble to commemorate

the day. Jugal Sharma, District Programme Manager, JKRLM, concluded the event with a vote of thanks, highlighting the importance of such initiatives for building a sustainable livelihood for women in the region. Asha Mahila Cluster Level Federation President Anita Kumari and other officials were also present at the event.

IPL 2025 auction: Full squads of all 10 teams, players' auction price

Here is the team-wise list of the players sold in the IPL 2025 mega auction.

JEDDAH, Nov 26 (Agencies): The IPL 2025 mega auction saw 182 players sold for a whopping combined fee of Rs 639.15 crore. Rishabh Pant shattered the record of the most expensive purchase, going to Lucknow Super Giants, while Shreyas Iyer was not far behind, moving to Punjab Kings. Indian players were sold at a premium, with Indian fast bowlers doing well on Day 2 of the auction. Here is the team-wise list of the players sold by the end of the second and final day of the Indian Premier League's mega auction here (price in INR):
Chennai Super Kings (CSK): Bought: Ravichandran Ashwin (Rs 9.75 crore), Devon Conway (Rs 6.25 crore), Rachin Ravindra (Rs 4 crore), Rahul Tripathi (Rs 3.40 crore), Khaleel Ahmed (Rs 4.80 crore), Noor Ahmad (Rs 10 crore), Vijay Shankar (Rs 1.20 crore), Sam Curran (Rs 2.40 crore), Anshul Kamboj (Rs 3.40 crore), Gurjapneet Singh (Rs 2.20 crore), Nathan Ellis (Rs 2 crore), Deepak Hooda (Rs 1.70 crore), Mukesh Choudhary (Rs 30 lakh), Shaikh Rasheed (Rs 30 lakh), Vansh Bedi (Rs 55 lakh), Andre Siddharth (Rs 30 lakh), Shreyas Gopal (Rs 30 lakh), Ramakrishna Ghosh (Rs 30 lakh), Kamlesh Nagarkoti (Rs 30 lakh), Shaikh Rasheed (Rs 30 lakh). Retained: Ruturaj Gaikwad, Matheesha Pathirana, Shivam Dube, Ravindra Jadeja, MS Dhoni. Mumbai Indians (MI): Trent Boult (Rs 12.50 crore), Naman Dhir (Rs 5.25 crore), Ryan Rickelton (Rs 1 crore), Deepak Chahar (Rs 9.25 crore), Will Jacks

(Rs 9.25 crore), Allah Ghazanfar (Rs 4.80 crore), Mitchell Santner (Rs 2 crore), Reece Topley (Rs 75 lakh), Ashwani Kumar (Rs 30 lakh), Raj Angad Bawa (Rs 30 lakh), Shrijith Krishnan (Rs 30 lakh), Lizaad Williams (Rs 75 lakh), Arjun Tendulkar (Rs 30 lakh), Bevan Jacobs (Rs 30 lakh), VS Penmetasa (Rs 30 lakh), Robin Minz (Rs 65 lakh), Karn Sharma (Rs. 50 lakh). Retained: Jasprit Bumrah, Suryakumar Yadav, Hardik Pandya, Rohit Sharma, Tilak Varma. Rajasthan Royals (RR): Jofra Archer (Rs 12.50 crore), Maheesh Theekshana (Rs 4.40 crore), Wanindu Hasaranga (Rs 5.25) crore, Tushar Deshpande (Rs 6.5 crore), Nitish Rana (Rs 4.20 crore), Fazalhaq Farooqi (Rs 2 crore), Shubham Dubey (Rs 80 lakh), Yuvraj Chahal (Rs 35 lakh), Vaibhav Suryavanshi (Rs 1.10 crore), Ashok Sharma (Rs 30 lakh), Kunal Rathore (Rs 30 lakh), Kwen Maphaka (Rs 1.50 crore), Akash Madhwal (Rs 1.20 crore), Kumar Kartikeya (Rs. 30 lakh). Retained: Sanju Samson, Yashasvi Jaiswal, Riyan Parag, Dhruv Jurel, Shimron Hetmyer, Sandeep Sharma. Gujarat Titans (GT): Jos Buttler (Rs 15.75 crore), Mohammed Siraj (Rs 12.25 crore), Prasad Krishna (Rs 9.50 crore), Kagiso Rabada (Rs 10.75 crore), Washington Sundar (Rs 3.20 crore), Sherfane Rutherford (Rs 2.60 crore), Gerald Coetzee (Rs 2.40 crore), R Sai Kishore (Rs 2 crore), Gurnoor Singh Brar (Rs 1.30 crore), Mohd. Arshad Khan (Rs 1.30 crore), Jayant Yadav (Rs



75 lakh), Ishant Sharma (Rs 75 lakh), Glenn Phillips (Rs 2 crore), Karim Janat (Rs 75 lakh), Kulwant Khejroliya (Rs 30 lakh), Nishant Sidhu (Rs 30 lakh), Mahipal Lomror (Rs 1.70 crore), Kumar Kushagra (Rs 65 lakh), Anuj Rawat (Rs 30 lakh), Manav Suthar (Rs 30 lakh). Retained: Rashid Khan, Shubman Gill, Sai Sudharsan, Rahul Tewatia, Shahrukh Khan. Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR): Venkatesh Iyer (Rs 23.75 crore), Anrich Nortje (Rs 6.50 crore), Quinton de Kock (Rs 3.60 crore), Rahmanullah Gurbaz (Rs 2 crore), Ankrish Raghuvanshi (Rs 3 crore), Vaibhav Arora (Rs 1.80 crore), Spencer Johnson (Rs 2.80 crore), Rovman Powell (Rs 1.50 crore), Manish Pandey (Rs 75 lakh), Moeen Ali (Rs 2 crore), Ajinkya Rahane (Rs 1.50 crore), Uman Malik (Rs 75 lakh), Anukul Roy (Rs 40 lakh), Luvnith Sisodia

Retained: Axar Patel, Kuldeep Yadav, Tristan Stubbs, Abhishek Porel. Punjab Kings (PBKS): Shreyas Iyer (Rs 26.75 crore), Yuzvendra Chahal (Rs 18 crore), Arshdeep Singh (Rs 18 crore), Marcus Stoinis (Rs 11 crore), Glenn Maxwell (Rs 4.20 crore), Nehal Wadhwa (Rs 4.20 crore), Harpreet Brar (Rs 1.50 crore), Marco Jansen (Rs 7 crore), Priyansh Arya (Rs 3.80 crore), Josh Inglis (Rs 2.60 crore), Azmatullah Omarzai (Rs 2.40 crore), Lockie Ferguson (Rs 2 crore), Aaron Hardie (Rs 1.25 crore), Xavier Bartlett (Rs 80 lakh), Kuldeep Sen (Rs 80 lakh), Pyla Avinash (Rs 30 lakh), Suryansh Shedge (Rs 30 lakh), Musheer Khan (Rs 30 lakh), Harnoor Panu (Rs 30 lakh), Pravin Dubey (Rs 30 lakh), Vishnu Vinod (Rs 95 lakh), Vyshak Vijaykumar (Rs 1.80 crore), Yash Thakur (Rs. 1.80 crore). Retained: Shashank Singh, Prabhsimran Singh. Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB): Josh Hazlewood (Rs 12.50 crore), Phil Salt (Rs 11.50 crore), Jitesh Sharma (Rs 11 crore), Liam Livingstone (Rs 8.75 crore), Rasikh Salam (Rs. 6 crore), Suyash Sharma (Rs. 2.60 crore), Bhuvneshwar Kumar (Rs 10.75 crore), Krunal Pandya (Rs 5.75 crore), Tim David (Rs 3 crore), Jacob Bethell (Rs 2.60 crore), Nuwan Thushara (Rs 1.60 crore), Romario Shepherd (Rs 1.50 crore), Swapnil Singh (Rs 50 lakh), Manoj Bhandage (Rs 30 lakh), Devdutt Padikkal (Rs 2 crore), Lungi Ngidi (Rs 1 crore), Mohit Rathee (Rs 30

lakh), Abhinandan Singh (Rs 30 lakh), Swastik Chhikara (Rs 30 lakh). Retained: Virat Kohli, Rajat Patidar, Yash Dayal. Sunrisers Hyderabad (SRH): Ishan Kishan (Rs 11.25 crore), Mohammed Shami (Rs 10 crore), Harshal Patel (Rs 8 crore), Adam Zampa (Rs 2.40 crore), Rahul Chahar (Rs 3.20 crore), Abhinav Manohar (Rs 3.20 crore), Atharva Taide (Rs 30 lakh), Simarjeet Singh (Rs. 1.5 crore), Eshan Malinga (Rs 1.20 crore), Brydon Carse (Rs 1 crore), Jaydev Unadkat (Rs 1 crore), Kamindu Mendis (Rs 75 lakh), Zeeshan Ansari (Rs 40 lakh), Aniket Verma (Rs 30 lakh), Atharva Taide (Rs 30 lakh). Retained: Pat Cummins, Abhishek Sharma, Nitish Kumar Reddy, Heinrich Klaasen, Travis Head. Lucknow Super Giants (LSG): Rishabh Pant (Rs 27 crore), Avesh Khan (Rs 9.75 crore), David Miller (Rs 7.50 crore), Mitchell Marsh (Rs 3.40 crore), Aiden Markram (Rs 2 crore), Akash Deep (Rs 8 crore), Abdul Samad (Rs 4.20 crore), Shahbaz Ahmed (Rs 2.40 crore), Shamar Joseph (Rs 75 lakh), M Siddharth (Rs 75 lakh), Yuvraj Chaudhary (Rs 30 lakh), Prince Yadav (Rs 30 lakh), Akash Singh (Rs 30 lakh), Digvesh Singh (Rs 30 lakh), Himmat Singh (Rs 30 lakh), Arshin Kulkarni (Rs 30 lakh), Rajvardhan Hangargekar (Rs 30 lakh), Matthew Breetzke (Rs 75 lakh), Aryan Juyal (Rs 30 lakh). Retained: Nicholas Pooran, Ravi Bishnoi, Mayank Yadav, Mohsin Khan, Ayush Badoni.

US goalkeeper Alyssa Naeher announces her retirement from international football

WASHINGTON, Nov 26 (Agencies): US women's national team goalkeeper Alyssa Naeher, announced her retirement from international football, after a career spanning of 15 years. Naeher was on the team's roster for a pair of upcoming matches in Europe but those games will be her last after a full 11 years playing for the United States. Naeher was the starting goalkeeper for the U.S. team that won the Women's World Cup in 2019 and the gold medal at this year's Olympics in France. She's the only U.S. goalkeeper to earn a shutout in both a World Cup and an Olympic final. She made a key one-handed save in stoppage time to preserve the Americans' 1-0 victory over Brazil in the Olympic final. Mallory Swanson, who scored the only goal, ran down the length of the field to embrace Naeher at the final whistle. "Every tear shed in the challenging times and disappointments made every smile and celebration in the moments of success that much more joyful. This has been a special team to be a part of and I am beyond proud of what we have achieved both on and off the field. The

memories I have made over the years will last me a lifetime," she wrote on X. Naeher has been known throughout her career for her calm and steady leadership. She is one of just three goalkeepers to make more than 100 appearances for the United States. Naeher made her debut with the national team in 2014 and was a backup to Hope Solo at the 2015 World Cup, where the United States won. She became the team's regular starter following the 2016 Rio de Janeiro Olympics and was on the squad that repeated as World Cup winners in 2019. In her career, Naeher has appeared in 113 games with 110 starts, 88 wins and 68 shutouts. She had four shutouts throughout the Olympic tournament in France. The 36-year-old has also played for the Chicago Red Stars in the National Women's Soccer League since 2016. She is set to play for Chicago next season. The United States is headed to Europe for a match against England at Wembley Stadium on Saturday and on Dec 3 against Netherlands in The Hague.

AUS vs IND: Coach Gautam Gambhir to return from Australia for family emergency

PERTH, Nov 26 (Agencies): India head coach Gautam Gambhir is set to leave Australia in the middle of Border-Gavaskar Trophy due to a family emergency, India Today has learnt. Gambhir, who was at the helm of India's historic victory at the Optus Stadium in Perth, will however, return back before the second Test match, set to be hosted in Adelaide. Sources in the know confirmed India Today about the development hours after India's win in the first Test match of the series. India went 1-0 up in the 5-match series with a 295-run win in Perth, as they make a late push for the World Test Championship final spots.



The Indian team is set to travel to Canberra on Wednesday for a two-day pink-ball tour game. However, Gautam Gambhir will not be part of the squad for this practice match, which is scheduled to begin on Saturday. The team is preparing for the day-night Test in Adelaide, which is expected to be

a tough outing against the Australian pace attack. Indian team are expected to have a selection headache for the 2nd Test match as Rohit Sharma and Shubman Gill return to the playing XI. On Day 4 of the series opener against Australia, Rohit Sharma was seen sitting alongside Gambhir in the Indian dressing room. Rohit was also spotted practicing with the pink ball in the nets on Monday, working on his skills ahead of the crucial clash in Adelaide. Earlier, Jasprit Bumrah led a spirited group of Indian cricketers to a commanding Test victory on Australian soil, securing a massive win by 295 runs. This remarkable turnaround is sure to be remembered as one of the golden moments in Indian cricket history. As stand-in skipper, Bumrah set the tone with an exceptional match haul of 8/72, helping India dismiss the hosts, chasing a monumental target of 534, for just 238 runs in 58.4 overs on the fourth afternoon of the opening Test of the Border-Gavaskar Trophy. This triumph catapulted India to the top of the World Test Championship standings, with a percentage point tally of 61.11. Credit must also be given to head coach Gautam Gambhir, who faced significant criticism after India's defeat to the Black Caps. Many believed that young talents Reddy and Harshit were handed Test debuts at his insistence. Under the Perth sun, the usually stoic Gambhir managed a rare smile as Harshit and Nitish, following the plans laid out for them, played pivotal roles in the victory.

Australia to retain squad for Adelaide Test, Marsh's fitness will be monitored: McDonald

PERTH, Nov 26 (Agencies): Australia will not make any change to the squad that took a 295-run hammering from India in the opening Border-Gavaskar Trophy Test here but there are some fitness concerns over all-rounder Mitchell Marsh's ability to bowl, coach and selector Andrew McDonald has said. Following the crushing loss, McDonald revealed that the team would land in Adelaide for the day-night second Test beginning December 6 earlier than planned to allow an additional net session. "The people in that change-room (for Perth Test) are the same people that will be in Adelaide," McDonald was quoted as saying by 'cricket.com.au'. "It (making changes) is always a consideration, wherever you go in the world in terms of the personnel you pick for conditions." Marsh, who bowled just 17 overs in the first Test for a match haul of three wickets, has been dealing with "niggles" since the white-ball tour of England in September. Skipper Pat Cummins has already revealed that Marsh finished the first Test "a little bit sore." McDonald expressed satisfaction with Marsh's bowling performance in the first innings but said his fitness would be monitored closely moving forward. "Has he (Marsh) pulled up okay? We'll wait and see," McDonald said.

"No, we didn't feel that (was a weakness). We knew that Mitch (Marsh) was slightly underdone coming in, but I thought the performance in the first innings was satisfactory." Another player under scanner is top-order batter Marnus Labuschagne, who has struggled for form with an average of just 13.66 in his last 10 Test innings. However, McDonald said he has faith in Labuschagne's abilities, describing him as "the player we need" and urging him to rediscover his form. "That's an ongoing discussion and that ebbs and flows in players' careers, so at the moment he's in one of those patches and no doubt he'll be getting critiqued externally," McDonald said. "But internally we're really confident that, at his best, he's the player that we need." When asked if Labuschagne's struggles were due to a technical issue, McDonald responded: "It's always a combination of factors, isn't it, with the mindset?" "There's some technical aspects to that also within the mindset play. So as I said, we're really confident that he can turn that around." The decision to ask debutant Nathan McSweeney to open the innings backfired as he scored just 10 and 0 in his two innings. McSweeney had enjoyed success in first-class cricket, as had Beau Webster, but neither of them has the experience of being an opener.

"I think there's been enough players banging down the door. I feel as though we've got some depth there if called upon," he said. "I think sometimes people look at the pure numbers of what's happening in Shield cricket, but it's sometimes hard to get a connection with the surfaces they're playing on. So we feel as though we've got ample players available if called upon." Despite the heavy defeat, McDonald said morale of the team was strong. "I think we've got to own it, and we've got to own that as coaches as well. So there will be a semblance of review around what we have done and what we can learn from it," McDonald said. "But I think morale is pretty good. I think this team is really good at the highs and lows, it's quite a level team, so we'll be somewhere in the middle of that." The coach also stated that while a review of the performance would take place, the team's preparation had been sound, and they were focused on the challenges ahead. "We felt as though our planning going in (to Perth) was where we needed it to be. Execution in amongst that is always a question, but we were comfortable with the plans." "Clearly, the method with the batters and the way they've been challenged is always going to be a learning moving forward. So we've got some challenges, no doubt about that."

Junior Men's Asia Cup Hockey: India to take on Thailand on November 27



MUSCAT, Nov 26 (Agencies): The junior Indian hockey team, coached by PR Sreejesh, will start as firm favourites when they take on Thailand in their opening match of the Junior Asia Cup men's hockey tournament here on Wednesday. India have been placed in Pool A along with Korea, Japan, Chinese Taipei and Thailand. With 10 teams participating in the event this time, the remaining five teams in Pool B are Pakistan, Malaysia, Bangladesh, Oman, and China. India has won this tournament for a record four times, including in 2004, 2008, 2015 and 2023. They beat arch-rivals Pakistan 2-1 in the final last year to lift the title. "Our team has been working hard, and we are confident in our abilities to perform well. Playing against strong teams like Thailand, Japan, and Korea in Pool A will be challenging, but we are ready to give our best and aim for a top finish. We would like to defend our title and make our country proud once again." After their campaign opener against Thailand, India will play against Japan on November 28 followed by a clash against Chinese Taipei on November 30. Their last group stage match against Korea is scheduled on December 1. The top two teams from each group will qualify for the semi-finals on December 3 while the finals will be played a day later.

Aryans Law Students celebrate National Constitution Day

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JAMMU, Nov 26: On the occasion of 75th National Constitution Day, Aryans College of Law, Rajpura, Near Chandigarh organized a Nukkar Natak. Aryans LLB & BA LLB students participated in nukkar natak & portrayed various acts on "Hamara Samvidhan, Hamara Samman", campaign launched by the Vice President of India to celebrate the 75th year of Indian Constitution.



Dr Devinder Singla, Principal, Aryans College of Law said the campaign "Hamara Samvidhan, Hamara Samman"

reflects India's unwavering commitment to upholding the principles of justice, equality, and liberty enshrined in the

Constitution. He said that we are living in a civilized world and it is necessary that we all comply with our Constitution. This

day aims to educate youth about their rights and responsibilities as outlined in the Constitution, added Singla.

Constitution Day, also known as 'Samvidhan Divas', is celebrated in our country on 26th November every year to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India. On 26th November 1949, the Constituent Assembly of India adopted the Constitution of India, which came into effect from 26th January 1950.

GDC Udhampur celebrates Constitution Day

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UDHAMPUR, Nov 26: To upbring the zeal of patriotism and remember the supreme sacrifice of the warriors of freedom, NSS Units of GDC Udhampur participated in the celebration of Constitution day (Samvidhan Divas) under the theme My Constitution My Pride.

The programme was organized in Conference Hall under the Supervision of NSS Programme Officers Dr. Gurpreet Kaur and Prof. Sanjeet Singh.

Principal of the college Dr. Sanjay Kumar Verma under whose patronage the event took place, while speaking on the occasion elaborated about the importance of the constitution and its

relevance to the society. While speaking he said "It is the constitution which has held all the colours of society together and it is a sacred book which inspires us to lead a life in a democratic system which was obtained by throwing out the totalitarian forces."

This college has been an integral part and acting as the role model among all the other colleges of the UT.

He applauded the efforts of the college, NSS Unit, the staff both teaching as well as non-teaching and also the volunteers for showing their concern about such a topic.

Sumit Kumar, teaching faculty in the Department of Political Sciences held the proceedings of the

programme which was followed by a welcome address and keynote address by Prof. Sanjeet. On this occasion Purshotam, Mohit, Shivansh, Ambika, and other volunteers of NSS Unit expressed their views.

Volunteers of NSS, NCC Units and students of Undergraduate Programs participated in the event. The volunteers took great initiative in the event and in all 50 volunteers were present.

Prof. Waqar of Public Administration also expressed his views about consolidation and absorption of constitutional ideas in the social fabric. The programme concluded with the pledge of constitution and national Anthem.

NSS unit of GDC R S Pura participates in Padyatra on Constitution Day



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JAMMU, Nov 26: This year marks the 75th anniversary of the Indian Constitution, which was adopted on November 26, 1949.

In a special initiative to raise awareness about the Constitution, the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports in collaboration with Nehru Yuva Kendra organized 10 kilometer Padyatra "Hamara Samvidhan, Hamara Swabhiman" from GCW Parade to MAM College Jammu on November 26th, 2024.

To become a part of this special Govt. Initiative NSS Volunteers of GDC R. S. Pura enthusiastically participated in

the event under the guidance of Prof. (Dr.) Preetpal Kour, Principal of the College and supervision of Dr. Chanchal Angral (NSS PO) and Dr. Sunil Kumar Mangoch.

Students of the various institutions along with the staff recited the Preamble of the Constitution, as part of a broader effort to engage the nation's youth with the foundational principles of the Constitution.

The event started at 8:00 am from the GCW Parade and passed through several key locations in the city, including Jogi Gate Chowk, Ambedkar Chowk, Panama Chowk before concluding at the auditorium of MAM College around 11:45 AM.

Satish Sharma, Minister for Youth Services and sports flagged off and also led the Padyatra and also highlighted that it is a significant step towards fostering leadership and raising constitutional awareness among young people. Further he highlighted that this march aligns with the vision of Prime Minister Narendra Modi to increase youth's participation in shaping India's future.

The participation of GDC R. S. Pura reflects the commitment of the college and its students in emphasizing the role of youth in preserving and promoting constitutional values for Viksit Bharat 2047.

GDC Sidhra celebrates Constitution Day

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JAMMU, Nov 26: To commemorate the celebration of Samvidhaan Diwas (Constitution Day), NSS Unit in collaboration with Electoral Literacy Committee of GDC Sidhra organised a pledge to mark the occasion of the adoption of Constitution by the people to celebrate "Constitution Day" on November 26, 2024 under the campaign tagline "Hamara Samvidhan, Hamara Swabhimaan". All the faculty members and the students took the pledge while remembering as the guiding purposes and principles of the introductory document of the Constitution, i.e. Preamble. The programme was further followed by a Declaration Competition based on the theme "How much we know our Constitution". Students of various semesters with full zeal and zest took part in the declaration and apprised the audience about the intricacies of the Constitution. They highlighted in their

speech about the drafting Committee and the role of Constitution makers in making it a world longest Constitution. Students further emphasized about the significance of the Constitution Day in India, that is, the relevance of secular political values, integrity and Common brotherhood. The whole event was judged by Prof. Pooja Sharma, Head Department of Dogri and Deepak Kumar, PTI. In the Declaration Competition, the first, second and third Position was bagged by Shajahan Ahmed of Sem III. Ibrar Ahmed of Sem V and Ujma Khan of Sem III. The programme was attended by Dr. Harpreet Kour, Head Department of Political Science and Dr. Rozy Malik of Political Science. The whole event was well coordinated by Dr. Meesha Bhagat, Convenor Electoral Literacy Committee and Dr. Purvaiva Hans, NSS Programme Officer along with their whole team under the guidance of Dr G S Rakwal, Principal of the college.

Construction of Water Supply Scheme, filtration plant completed at Pachgam Nard Kund



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KULGAM, Nov 26: The construction of Water Supply Scheme, filtration plant at Pachgam Nard Kund area in Kulgam district Completed.

The new water supply scheme includes a filtration plant under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) equipped with the latest technology and will provide clean drinking water to over 10 thousand people in three villages in Kund Kulgam.

The village pachgam has been certified as Har

Ghar Jal village and water supply has been provided to hundred percent households.

The people of the area were satisfied and were praising the efforts of Govt under JJM especially the women folk were seen happy because of the hat to bring water for their families from long distances.

According to Rafiq Ahmad bhat the Assistant Executive Engineer (AEE) Jal Shakti SubDivision Quazigund told that The work on this water supply scheme, water fil-

tration plant project costs 113.71 lakh Completed and villagers will get clean drinking water.

Choudhary Nazir, a local resident, said that last year in December the work got stalled because of winter. But now we can drink clean water.

"The work is Completed in this year very well and we are thankful to the Government especially Jal Shakti Department Quazigund for this scheme. Three to four villages will get the benefit from this filtration plant," he said.

GDC R S Pura organizes awareness lecture on female health and hygiene



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R S PURA, Nov 26: Women Development Cell of Government Degree College R.S. Pura organized an awareness lecture on the theme "Female Health and Hygiene" under the patronage of Principal Prof. (Dr.) Preetpal Kour and supervision of Dr. Neena Gupta Rohmetra, Convenor Women Development Cell And Head, Department of English. Promoting awareness about physical health and well-being is vital for maintaining mental, physical welfare and gender equality.

Menstrual hygiene refers to the practices and products that individuals use to manage menstruation in a safe, healthy, and dignified way. It includes maintaining cleanliness during menstruation, using appropriate menstrual products, and understanding reproductive health. Understanding

hygiene practices helps reduce the stigma and promotes better health outcomes.

The resource person of this lecture was Dr. Savleen Kour, Assistant Professor Veterinary Technology. More than 40 female students participated in the programme with great enthusiasm and zeal.

The aim of the lecture was to encourage further dialogue around menstruation health. The lecture primarily focused on a variety of key issues, such as menstrual education, access to menstrual products, and the importance of maintaining hygiene during menstruation. Other faculty members present in the programme were Prof. Shifali Abrol, Prof. Radhika Mahajan, Dr. Shivani Manchanda and Dr. Sapna Raina. Principal of the college appreciated the efforts of the organizing committee and also advised the students to follow the guidelines

practically in their lives in order to become healthy in every aspect.

GDC Darhal celebrates Constitution Day

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DARHAL, Nov 26: The Govt. Degree College (GDC) Darhal celebrated National Constitution Day under the chairmanship of Principal Prof. Zamir Ahmed Mirza. The event witnessed the active participation of the faculty, including Dr. Ghulam Abbas, Dr. Mohd

Saleem Wani, Dr. Taseem, Dr. Anzar Ahmed, and several others, along with a large number of students from various semesters.

Dr. Ataullah Malik, Head of the Department of Political Science at GDC Darhal, served as the resource person for the day. He delivered an extensive deliberation on the importance and

characteristics of the Indian Constitution, emphasizing its role in upholding democracy and protecting the rights of citizens.

The programme was an initiative of IQAC and NSS wing of the college headed by Dr M Saleem Wani and Dr Mohd Akhlaq respectively. Principal Prof. Zamir Ahmed Mirza also addressed the gather-

ing, highlighting the significance of Constitution Day in fostering respect and understanding of the Constitution among students and the community.

The celebration was not only informative but also instilled a sense of pride and awareness regarding the fundamental principles that govern our nation.

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