

BJP's impressive performance in J&K is a testament to PM Modi's vision: Chandan

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JAMMU, OCT. 15: Jammu and Kashmir people have written a new chapter of history in recent assembly polls; this was stated by BJP District Secretary and Media Prabhari Jammu South Rohini Chandan. He hailed the party's impressive performance in the recent J&K assembly polls as a resounding success of PM Modi's vision and a "historical moment" where the BJP emerges victorious with a mandate of 29 seats in the assembly election. This impressive win is a testament to the people's faith in the BJP's ideology and its vision for Jammu and Kashmir's growth under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership.

According to Rohini Chandan, the people of Jammu and Kashmir have written a new chapter in the state's history, and this victory is a significant milestone in that journey. The BJP's focus on development, good governance, and inclusive policies has resonated deeply with the people, and this mandate is a clear indication of their trust in the party.

Rohini Chandan's statement comes on the heels of the BJP's intensive campaigning in the union territory, with top leaders like Union Home Minister Amit Shah addressing rallies and promoting the party's "Sankalp Patra" for Jammu and Kashmir. The party's commitment to making Jammu and Kashmir an industrial hub has also resonated with the people.

Rohini asserted that the BJP's success is a result of the unwavering efforts of our dedicated party workers, the undisputed leadership of PM Narendra Modi, and our commitment to inclusive growth in the region. We will continue to work tirelessly to ensure that the aspirations of every citizen in Jammu & Kashmir are met and that the region continues on its path to peace and prosperity, he said.

Chandan further remarked on the significant progress made by the BJP, underscoring the party's growing influence in the region. In the 2024 elections, the BJP secured 29 seats out of the 62 it contested, marking an increase of four seats compared to its performance in 2014. The party's vote share also rose by 2.66 percent, from 22.98 percent in 2014 to 25.64 percent in 2024, surpassing the National Conference's 23.43 percent vote share. The BJP's ability to mobilize a larger voter base, growing from 3.55 lakh votes to a total of 14.62 lakh votes, underscores its expanding appeal and strengthened foothold in the state. He strongly condemned the Congress party's tendency to blame Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) and the Election Commission after every election result. Chandan dismissed these claims as baseless and unrealistic, pointing out that it's become a habit for the Congress party to cry foul whenever they lose elections. It's clear that the BJP is confident in the Election Commission's ability to conduct fair elections, and Chandan's statement reflects this confidence.

Rohini further added that the BJP looks to build on this momentum; its focus will remain on delivering development projects, improving infrastructure, and enhancing social welfare programs. With PM Modi at the helm, the party is poised to drive growth and progress in Jammu and Kashmir.

BJP enemy of Jammu Kashmir Princely Dogras State, alleges Dimple



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JAMMU, OCT. 15: Sunil Dimple, President Mission Statehood alleged the BJP is a big enemy of J&K Dogras State and want to further division of J&K, Pir Panjal into UT and separate Jammu state. He alleged the BJP is a big enemy of Jammu Kashmir Princely Dogras State.

Dimple alleged the defeated leaders of BJP Choudhary Zulfkar, Ravinder Raina and others Pahari BJP leaders are demanding to divide Pir Panchal region to UT union territory. He alleged these BJP leaders after their defeat in assembly elections and to form the govt have gone mad, lost mental in balance and want to destroy dogra state.

Dimple asked BJP, Prime Minister, Home Minister to clear the official stand on these BJP leaders statements, demanding union territories status for the Pir Panchal, Chenab valley and are conspiring to separate Jammu state.

Dimple said we oppose the demand raised of separate Jammu state, division of Pir Panchal in Union Territory. We don't want separate Jammu. He said these BJP MLAs, leaders should be ashamed for raising such demands. He said these statements of BJP leaders, indicates how much BJP has respect for the Maharaja Hari Singh Ji and Jammu Kashmir Dogra state. He alleged Ch Zulfkar Chowdhry and Ravinder Raina have gone mad, raising such unconstitutional demands.

Dimple demands the CBI inquiry of the fire incident in Doda, Chinab valley in which more than seventy houses, shops were burnt. He said our struggle will continue and we will fight for the return of article 370, unification of Ladakh POK Gilgit Baltistan in J&K & implementation of instrument of accession conditions signed by Maharaja Harisingh.

Dimple said BJP has no right to celebrate Ascension Day 26 October after the 5 August 2019, when they scraped the article 370, state subject of Maharaja Hari Singh and did in J&K, Ladakh in union territories. He demands PM, HM, to clear its stand one BJP leader demanding UT status for Pir Panjal and separate Jammu state.

Dimple the people have voted for the immediate restoration of J&K Princely Dogra State, return of articles 370, PRC, state subject, implementation of instrument of accession conditions signed by Maharaja Hari Singh ji, to start of Darbar move, against the rising unemployment, poverty and for the progress, peace & prosperity in the Jammu Kashmir Dogra Maharaja Hari Singh ji State.

Dimple demanded the unification of Ladakh, POK, Gilgit, Bhatistan in Jammu Kashmir & implement the instrument of accession conditions signed by Maharaja Hari Singh ji. He warned the govt should start immediate Darbar Move otherwise wide agitation will be started soon.

Indian Army Organized Lecture On Drug Awareness at Tota Gali Poonch

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JAMMU, OCT. 15: Mental health issues, performance pressure, growing emptiness, social networking and changing socio-economic condition are affecting the youth of the country, making them vulnerable to addictive distraction. The abuse of drugs and alcohol is by far the leading cause of preventable illness and premature death in our society. Indian Army with organized a lecture to spread awareness about dangers of drug abuse amongst the teenagers and its ill effects in the body and society at Tota Gali, Poonch district. The focus of the awareness lecture was to enlighten local people about increasing drug menace and its harmful effects, both physical and mental.

Local people were made aware as to how one time use of drugs to deal with stress or to get a momentary high or to just 'fit in' with his or her peers, affect their lives as well as their family.

The attendees were also informed about the ill effects of Tobacco consumption & how it leads to oral cancer among people.

BLSKS concludes Sanskriti Mohatsav 2024 at Shubh International School, Jia Pota Ghat

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JAMMU, OCT. 15: To promote the Traditional Folk Culture of J&K, Bhartiya Lok Sangeet Kala Sansthan, in coordination with Ministry of Culture, Government of India concludes Sanskriti Mohatsav Mega Cultural Program on "Swachh Bharat / Beti Bachao Beti Padoo / Azadi Ka Amrit Mahostav / Nasha Mukat Bharat Abhiyan" in its 476th Regular Series Musical Play "Sada Virsa" at Shubh International School, Jia Pota Ghat Akhnor. A pledge was also taken on drug abuse by more than 200 Students, Teachers and prominent citizens by Miss Chahat Chadha, Artistes of BLSKS administered the pledge & a certificate of honor by the Ministry of Culture was given to the Principal of the Host School by BLSKS. The Program was inaugurated by Chief Guest Parmukh Mahant Brahmin Giri & Arti Giri of Maira Mandriar Temple Akhnor, Jia Pota Ghat Akhnor, Mahant Parmeshwar Dass, President Durga Temple Akhnor V.K. Magotra, Former Regional Director of Directorate of Field Publicity, Government of India and Supriya Bali, Pranav teacher, Mohan Singh Jamwal, Senior Journalist Akhnor were guest of Honour after light-



ening the traditional lamp. Mrs. Shilpa Mahajan, Principal, Shubh International School Akhnor presided over the function. The day commemorated as well with sole aim of rejuvenating the traditional, Primitive Folk, Art, Culture of J&K Region in particular and Indian, "Saraswati Vandana- by School Students", "Ved Mantra", "Mero Rupal", "Swachh Bharat ka irada kar liya humne", "Jan Jan Mara Aids Rog Jaan", "Nashana Karma Man lo Khena Payaro Bhai behna Hogi Badi Kharabi", "Azadi ka amrut mahostav", "Mere Hikru Gadbad", Nukkad, Skits, Songs and Dances were staged. The Chief Guest the main aim of this day is to create awareness about the ill effects of tobacco, the disease it can cause and the preventable measure. It also reaffirms our commitment

to achieve social goals, initiatives to end drug abuse and strengthen community-centric approaches and expressed the resolve that India is committed to root out the menace of drug abuse at any cost. The cleanliness campaign of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan was run on a national level and encompassed all the towns, rural and urban. It served as a great initiative in making people aware of the importance of cleanliness and also lauded the efforts of the organizers in making such awareness programmes colorful and effective. The artist of BLSKS presented theme based songs which were written by Dr. M.L. Dogra & the music was the program assisted by Mr. Raju Bajgal, Music Instructor, BLSKS. The program was recorded & uploaded online on Social Media for benefit of the

peoples. Bhartiya Lok Sangeet Kala Sansthan, main aim to highlighting the importance of Cultural heritage through live performances of Art and Culture which are still very powerful medium of dissemination of various welfare scheme for betterment of society and promotion. Sh. M.C Kotwal, preceding the program. The program was recorded & uploaded online on Social Media for benefit of the peoples. Pamphlets and posters on Aids awareness was also distributed among the people, parents of school children also witnessed the program and highly appreciated. A part of the Sanskriti Mahostav artistes also celebrated the World Students' Day & Birth Anniversary of Dr. A.P Abdul Kalam & the history of Dr Kalam was also highlighted. Welcome speech was given by Dr. M.L. Dogra, Chairman, Bhartiya Lok Sangeet Kala Sansthan said the play based on the ill effects of Drug Abuse, Nasha Mukat Bharat Abhiyan and also said Beti Bachao Beti Padoo has been one of the greatest initiatives taken by the Indian government. The main goal of this campaign is to ensure that every girl child gets a proper education. This is also one of the reasons that people get to encourage others as well as their families to do the same

as the notion suggests. Azadi Ka Amrit Mahostav is dedicated to the Indian people who have made a significant contribution to the country's evolution up to this point and to those who are now actively working to recognize Prime Minister Modi's vision of Activating India 2.0, which is being accomplished with the aid of a system called Atam Nirbhar Bharat and also said said drugs withdrawal symptoms are a combination of physical and mental side effects a person experiences while trying to either stop or reduce the use of the substance they have been using or are addicted to. These are usually unpleasant experiences which make it difficult to reduce or quit the substance. Some of the common withdrawal symptoms are nausea, vomiting, restlessness, tremors, disturbance in mood (irritability, depression, anxiety), lack of sleep, body pains, craving for the substance, running nose etc. Withdrawal symptoms can vary from person to person. The intensity and duration of the withdrawal symptoms depends on many factors like the genetic/biological makeup of the person, the type and time of drug abused, the age and psychological characteristics of the person. With the right medical support, it becomes much easier to deal with the withdrawal

symptoms and there is a high hope for success in quitting the substance.

Usha Raina, Troupe Leader, BLSKS said every year on October 15, the World Students' Day is observed to honour the contributions of the former President Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam in the field of education. The day falls on the anniversary of the late teacher's birth. Known as the Missile Man of India, India's 11th president was a distinguished administrator and scientist who spent more than forty years with the Defense Research and Development Organization) & Volunteers and outreach workers of the organizations have gone from door to door, and nearby localities of Jammu city to educate the people about the ill effects of drug abuse and have assisted the rehabilitation of victims of substance abuse. Choose a reason that is strong enough to outweigh the urge to light up. The singers, musician and actors who performed were M.C. Kotwal, Rajni Gupta, Raju Bajgal, Sanjeev Kumar Sodhi, Bindia Okheda, Chahat Chadha, Rahul Kumar, Sahil Gill, Sakshi Kumari, Vijay Verma, Neelam Gandotra and at last K.K Joshi, program coordinator, presented vote of thanks for successful conduction of the program.

'JU VC desperate to accommodate his blue eyed on administrative posts'

Ex-JURSEA President leads protest in JU seeking CBI probe in varsity recruitments

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JAMMU, OCT. 15: The scholars and students of Jammu University led by former Jammu University Research Scholars Executive Association (JURSEA) president, Dr Vikas Sharma held a protest on university campus demanding CBI probe to unearth the irregularities committed in the recruitment process during the tenure of incumbent Vice Chancellor Prof Umesh Rai.

The protesting students and scholars raised slogans against the Vice Chancellor and demanded from the Lieutenant Governor of J&K, Manoj Sinha to immediately order inquiry and cancel the recruitment process for the administrative posts interview for which was held on October 4 and 5.

Addressing the protestors, Dr. Vikas Sharma reiterated his demand for CBI probe in the alleged recruitment scams in University of Jammu (JU) and held the Vice Chancellor and his coterie responsible for the mess in the University.

He alleged that the eligibility criteria were tailor-made for the blue eyed candidates for Vice Chancellor Prof Umesh Rai during the recently held selection process for administrative posts. Dr Sharma claimed that some of the candidates



were not holding the eligibility for the administrative posts but, the Vice Chancellor made them eligible by using his influence and made the mockery of the selection process by twisting the eligibility conditions owing to which one of the selection committee members who was present online during the interview process has not validated the process. "It is a vindication of the fact that the some of the candidates were not eligible for the posts but the Vice Chancellor was desperate to push his agenda. He questioned that if the Vice Chancellor had to accommodate his blue-eyed then why he enacted the drama and wasted the time of selection committee and befooled the candidates from various parts of country who applied for the posts. "Lieutenant Governor has been making several statements on making J&K Corruption free and exposing various scams. But why is he silent on irregularities being committed in Jammu University? If he is really

serious then he should immediately order the inquiry and cancel the recruitment process of administrative posts," former JURSEA President demanded. The core of the controversy revolves around what Dr. Sharma described as the illegitimacy of some candidates shortlisted for these positions. "There are candidates with questionable qualifications, including those with fraudulent PhD degrees, as highlighted in the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) report. This process seems engineered to favor individuals tied to a political faction," he alleged.

Additionally, Dr. Sharma highlighted a violation of university norms, stating that certain candidates are directly involved in the recruitment process, which he emphasized is against the established rules. "Those who are candidates for the top posts are directly involved in the recruitment process which is a mockery of the system but the Vice Chancellor is a mute specta-

tor as if he is willingly a party to this wrong-doing," he stated.

Dr. Sharma demanded that JU should make the names of screening committee member's public who made the ineligible candidates as eligible. "The candidates who are ineligible were made eligible by the screening committee members for the interview. And, it is a matter of investigation as to how they did so. Screening Committee members shall also be brought under the purview of inquiry," he stated.

Dr. Sharma demanded that the video of interview should be released forthwith so that all could know about the people who attended the interview, both internal as well as external candidates. He also highlighted an instance from the past wherein a person without having any academic credentials was directly appointed as Professor just because he had high level connections. He further demanded that all the selections made by JU during the two and half year tenure of VC Umesh Rai as several allegations have been levelled by the candidates against the selections and LG Manoj Sinha should not waste time in ordering inquiry to unravel the frauds and restoring confidence of people in this institution.

JUNGEU organises felicitation function



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JAMMU, OCT. 15: In a first of its kind, the Non Gazetted Employees Union, University of Jammu, organized a felicitation function to encourage the wards of the Non Gazetted Employees who have secured 90% and above marks in 10th and 12th class. The ceremony was organized at Brig. Rajinder Singh Auditorium, University of Jammu in which luminous prodigy were felicitated by Dean Students Welfare Prof. Prakash Antahal in pres-

ence of Dr. Shalu Sharma (Deputy Chief Proctor), Dr. Rakesh Chib (President JUNTEU), Vijay Bhat (President JUNGEU), Balbir Singh (Vice-President), Suraj Prakash (Gen. Secretary), Sh. Dev Raj (Joint Secretary), Sh. Vidya Lal (Organising Secretary), Sh. Ram Paul (Publicity Secretary) and Sh. Manik Sharma (Cashier). In his address, Prof. Antahal appreciated this noble initiative of the union which will provide a significant encouragement to the

children to achieve more in life. Such gestures leave a deep impact and thus union deserves praise for this initiative. Dr. Shalu Sharma also congratulated the achievers and wished success for the future endeavours.

Children who were felicitated on the occasion included Bhumika Rajput D/o Surinder Singh, Mannet Bandral & Manik Bandral wards of Swarn Singh, Ananya Mahajan D/o Meenakshi Gupta, Tania Mathur D/o Naresh Kumar, Vikrant Singh Katoch S/o Surjeet Singh, Rajnandani D/o Sushil Kumar, Rajinder Singh S/o Ramesh Singh and Surya Dev Singh S/o Ranjeet Singh

The proceedings of the programme were done by Ms. Shehnaz Akhtar. Other members of the union present at the occasion included Mohinder Kumar, Gulshan Kumar, Susheel Sharma, Kuldeep Raj, Abdul Gafour, Tajinder Singh.

Jammu Doctors Forum & Jammu doctors association condemn Arvind Kejriwal statement against male gynecologist

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JAMMU, OCT. 15: Jammu Doctors Forum (JDF) terms as illogical and absurd statement of Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) national convener and former Chief Minister of Delhi Arvind Kejriwal at Doda wherein he has stated that "Male gynaecologists provide services to women" in Doda district. His statement has created quite an unrest in the society and is against the medical principles and ethics. This has also questioned the credentials of doctors practising gynecology which needs to be rectified.

The medical profession is inherently gender-neutral, prioritizing skill, expertise, and patient care above all else. Arvind Kejriwal's remarks in Doda, Jammu, targeting male gynaecologists, not only challenge this core principle but also perpetuate gender bias in a field where competence should be the only focus. Both male and female gynaecologists are highly



trained professionals committed to women's health, and comments like these foster needless divisions in a profession dedicated to healing and service, not gender distinctions.

Jammu and Kashmir is already having shortage of doctors and those working in far off places like Doda and Baderwah are performing their duties in adverse conditions and catering to the needs of people including women who are our sisters and daughters. Kejriwal statement has create furore amongst women patients as if male doctors are aliens and don't adhere to their ethics. This

has divided society and created an unrest. Kejriwal is a learned person who knows the adverse effects of such statements.

We seek his unconditional apology for misguiding masses, misleading them and defaming the noble profession of doctors who are working hard to provide best medical services in India. Kejriwal must know that a number of best gynaecologists in India are male who are performing their duties at par with their female colleagues ably and catering to the people since several decades and no one has ever questioned their integrity.

GGM Science College Jammu organizes Workshop on "Virtual Labs"



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JAMMU, OCT. 15: Virtual Lab Nodal Centre (VLNC) -205, which was established by IIT Bombay in Govt. Gandhi Memorial Science College Jammu, J&K UT, organized a workshop on "Virtual Labs in Biotechnology" in which a large number of students and faculty members participated. Workshop was inaugurated by Chief Guest, Prof. Romesh Kumar Gupta, Principal, GGM Science College Jammu in presence of Dr. Ashaq Hussain, and Dr. Pankaj Gupta, Nodal Coordinator VLNC, Dr. Arun Sharma, Outreach Coordinator VLNC & Prof. Kiran Bala, HOD Biotechnology, Dr. Rohit, Assistant Professor Zoology and Prof. Richa Sharma.

Dr. Romesh Kumar Gupta, Principal of the College lauded the efforts of virtual lab team for organizing one day workshop for the students and faculty of the College. In his deliberations, he encouraged all science teachers as well as students to use the virtual labs as add on to the physical labs. Dr. Pankaj Gupta, Associate Professor in Chemistry & Nodal Coordinator, VLNC GGM Science College in his inaugural talk gave a detail of various features, objectives and advantages of Virtual Labs, which is a mission project developed under the aegis of National Mission on Education through ICT, MHRD. He said that with the rapid growth of information and communication technologies (ICT), virtual laboratories are becoming an integral part of science and technical curriculum.

The technical session which included demonstration and hands on session of simulation based experiments in Biotechnology was conducted by Dr. Neha Mahajan, Asstt Professor in Biotechnology. She explained to the students simulation based experiments on the topic "Agarose Gel Electrophoresis" developed by Amrita Virtual Lab through virtual mode very efficiently. The second technical session in the discipline of Biotechnology was conducted by Prof. Gourav Gupta, Departmental Coordinator and Assistant Professor in Biotechnology. In his deliberations, he explained simulation based experiments on the topic Cell Count by Hemocytometer.

The proceedings of the event were nicely conducted by Prof. Nancy Gupta. The workshop ended with an impressive vote of thanks by Dr. Arun Sharma, Assistant Professor in Physics.