

Channi's remark sets benchmark for India Bloc stooping to new low: Kavinder

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JAMMU, MAY 06: Senior BJP leader and former Deputy Chief Minister, Kavinder Gupta has strongly criticized the derogatory remarks made by Congress leader and former Chief Minister of Punjab, Charanjit Singh Channi, regarding the martyrdom of an IAF warrior in the Surankote terrorist attack in Poonch district. He called for an apology from the India Bloc for disrespecting the valor of our brave soldiers.

In a statement issued here today, Kavinder said, "India Bloc leaders have stooped so low that for them, Pakistan and foreign interests take precedence over our national security. They exhibit a concerning pattern of questioning the integrity and sacrifices of our armed forces, even in the face of clear evidence."

He emphasized, "During the Pulwama attack, when Pakistan openly admitted its involvement, Congress leaders shamelessly raised doubts. Channi's recent remarks are yet another example of their disregard for the sacrifices made by our brave soldiers."

Highlighting the breach of security protocol during the Prime Minister's visit to Punjab, Kavinder remarked, "Channi's actions, allegedly in the behest of Khalistani elements, not only endangered the Prime Minister's security but also demonstrated a blatant disregard for national interests. It is evident that Congress leaders operate under the influence of foreign agendas, lacking any genuine concern for our armed forces."

He reaffirmed the pivotal role of Indian security forces in maintaining peace and stability in Jammu and Kashmir, stating, "The peace prevailing in Jammu and Kashmir today is a testament to the unwavering dedication and sacrifices of our jawans and security agencies."

Kavinder asserted that the nation will not forgive Channi for his reprehensible remarks and called upon the India Bloc leadership to apologize for disrespecting the valor of our brave soldiers. He emphasized the need for all political parties to prioritize national interest above partisan politics, especially in matters concerning the security and dignity of our armed forces.

Meanwhile, the former Deputy Chief Minister has criticized Farooq Abdullah's statement in response to Defence Minister Rajnath Singh's remarks regarding the integration of PoJK with India, stating that the NC leader was speaking in Pakistan's language.

"Till now, some extremist leaders of Pakistan said they have an atom bomb. But now, a senior and forefront leader of the INDIA bloc, Farooq Abdullah, has said the same. Even Channi's statement on Poonch tries to hide Pakistan's misdeeds. This is Pakistan's language. As PM Modi said, the INDIA bloc manifesto had an impression of the Muslim League, and their leaders have an impression of Pakistan on them," he added.

The senior BJP leader urged the people of Jammu and Kashmir to remain vigilant from such parties and support only political parties aligned with the nation's interests.

Bharatnatiya dance show Organized at Tirupati Balaji temple



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JAMMU, MAY 06: Jammu Kashmir Tourism Department organized Bharatnatiya dance show at the famous Tirupati Balaji temple of Jammu on Saturday in collaboration with Nattiya Kalamayam Dance and Music School Chennai. On this occasion, mainly Jammu Kashmir BJP executive member and senior leader Somnath Khajuria Along with Sai Krishna Temple Inspector, Ramesh Babu And Amit Shukla Pandit was present. During the show, children performed dances promoting and presenting the culture of South. Along with this, Bharatnatiyam was also performed specially, seeing which all the visitors were left spellbound.

Chief guest Somnath Khajuria praised the Bharatnatiyam and other dances of South culture presented by the children. He said that the culture of other states is also respected in Jammu Kashmir. He said that we should promote the culture of South in Jammu also and should keep organizing such programs in the temple. He said that after the construction of Tirupati Balaji temple, Majid place of Jammu Kashmir has got an identity. This has promoted employment. He appealed to the people to come to the temple and have darshan of Tirupati Balaji and bless their lives.

Rang Dative Album Unveiled by Renowned Maa Bawe Wali Records MD Sahil Mahajan



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JAMMU, MAY 06: Maa Bawe Wali Records proudly presented the release of their latest album, "Rang Dative", under the esteemed guidance of veteran MD and social activist, Sahil Mahajan. The event, graced by various dignitaries, marks a significant foray into the world of Bhakti music and spiritual expression.

With Singer Deep Sandeep's mesmerizing vocals at the forefront, the album promises a blend of soulful melodies and profound lyrics. Music maestro Ishan Mahla and lyricist Deep Sandeep have crafted a musical masterpiece that transcends boundaries. The visual storytelling, expertly directed by Aryan Vijaypuria, adds a captivating visual dimension to the poetic lyrics.

Sahil Mahajan, the mastermind behind the project, has not only curated a musical gem but also exemplified a harmonious collaboration of talent and passion. The production unit, supported by Mahajan's dedicated parents, reflects a shared vision of creating timeless musical experiences.

Sub Inspector Purshotam Kotwal, currently stationed at Icp Residency Road in Jammu, graced the event as the guest of honor during the poster launch, acknowledging the cultural significance of such artistic endeavors.

Speaking at the event, Sahil Mahajan praised Rajveer Manni and Maa Bawe Wali Records for their commitment to producing exceptional albums and Bhakti songs. The coming together of diverse communities during the album release exemplifies the essence of unity and cultural harmony in the region.

The release of "Rang Dative" not only signifies a musical milestone but also celebrates the rich cultural tapestry of Jammu and Kashmir. As the album resonates with audiences, it serves as a testament to the enduring power of music in bringing people together.

2-day Amrit Kaal Lecture Series- 2024 on "Dissolving Boundaries Evolving Education" inaugurated at JU

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JAMMU, MAY 06: The Amrit Kaal Lecture Series-2024 under the theme "Dissolving Boundaries Evolving Education," was inaugurated at Brig. Rajinder Singh Auditorium, University of Jammu this morning. At the outset, Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor University of Jammu delivered a welcome address. Speaking on the theme of the Lecture Series, "Dissolving Boundaries, Evolving Education," Prof. Rai, emphasized the importance of adopting a multidisciplinary approach in academia. By encouraging students to explore diverse fields of study, he advocated for breaking down traditional boundaries that confine learning within rigid disciplinary lines. This approach, he noted, not only provides students with the freedom to choose their educational path but also equips them with essential skills for both personal and national advancement. Prof. Rai highlighted the necessity of creating flexible and adaptable educational programs that cater to the evolving needs of students and society. In doing so, he emphasized the role of education in dissolving boundaries between academic disciplines, thereby fostering innovation, collaboration, and holistic learning experiences. Prof. Rai also expressed gratitude to the organizing committee and all the members involved for the organization of this event.

Rajiv Rai Bhatnagar, Advisor to Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, JKUT, in his Presidential Address, commended Prof. Dinesh Singh for delivering a thought-provoking lecture and extended appreciation to the University of Jammu for organizing the Amrit Kaal lecture series. He emphasized the need for a holistic approach in finding solutions, reminiscing about India's illustrious past as a knowledge society and world leader. Recognizing the shift towards a knowledge- and technology-based society, he urged the audience to acknowledge India's abundant talent and heritage rather than constantly looking to the West. Addressing the concept of boundaries, he pondered whether they are self-imposed or externally imposed, challenging the audience to break free from perceived limitations. Encouraging students to embrace their potential and the opportunities before them, he emphasized the importance of integrity, dedication, and confidence in achieving personal and national goals.

He expressed hope that the lecture series would inspire forward-thinking and urged everyone to step out of their comfort zones. Recognizing the pivotal role of teachers in shaping students' futures, he encouraged continued efforts towards positive change within oneself and the broader ecosystem.

He concluded by highlighting the abundance of



opportunities available and the potential for success through sincere effort and determination.

A highlight of the event was the felicitation of Prof. Dinesh Singh, Vice Chairman of the Higher Education Council, UT of J&K, and Formerly Vice-Chancellor of the University of Delhi. Prof. Singh was honored with the prestigious "Bhartiya Pragna Bhusan Samman" in recognition of his exemplary contributions to the field of education. The citation was read by Prof. Anju Bhasin, Dean Academic Affairs, University of Jammu, and Formerly Vice-Chancellor of Cluster University of Jammu.

The keynote address was delivered by Padmasree Prof. Dinesh Singh, Vice Chairman, Higher Education Council, Government of Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory who captivated the audience with his enlightening discourse titled "From the Indus Valley Civilization to Srinivas Ramanujan: The

patents and achieved global recognition. Professor Singh aimed to inspire the audience to break boundaries and contribute to restoring India's past glory.

From the ancient marvels of the Indus Valley Civilization to the contributions of mathematical genius Srinivas Ramanujan, Prof. Singh underscored the profound impact of Indian mathematical insights on global knowledge systems, highlighting their enduring relevance in contemporary academia. Through engaging narratives and insightful analyses, he unveiled the lesser-known facets of Indian mathematical prowess, inspiring scholars and enthusiasts alike to delve deeper into this rich legacy.

The Guest of Honour, Prof. Sudhish Pachauri, Formerly Pro Vice-Chancellor of Delhi University, delivered an insightful address that enriched the gathering. Reflecting on the theme of the lecture series, he praised its uniqueness, emphasizing the multitude of boundaries present in India, ranging from religious and ego-driven boundaries to those in subjects and knowledge. He noted that for the past two centuries, society has been constrained by such boundaries, despite the evolving nature of the world. Prof. Pachauri found the theme to be profoundly challenging, particularly in the context of literature, which he described as boundless and limitless, encompassing all

aspects of human experience. He discussed the similarities among different literatures such as Urdu, Hindi, English, and Sanskrit, suggesting that they share common elements. Prof. Pachauri specifically addressed how language segmentation can create barriers between people and emphasized the need to break down these boundaries through a collective spirit of unity across various fields of study.

Speaking on the occasion, Director ISTRAC Sh. B. N. Ramakrishna emphasized the importance of aligning education with purposeful objectives. He emphasized the need to stay informed about global events and to deeply comprehend our actions in order to effectively address challenges, a responsibility he entrusted to future generations. Stressing that success cannot be solely measured by grades, he urged students to approach their pursuits with passion and to actively engage with day to day issues.

He articulated a vision of limitless possibilities for discovery across all fields, commending the well-crafted theme that encapsulated this potential.

The inaugural session concluded with a formal vote of thanks by Prof. S. K. Pandita, Director, MMTTC, University of Jammu. The proceedings of the inaugural session were conducted by Prof. Sarika Manhas, Co-chairperson, Campus Cultural Committee.

BLSKS celebrates "World Laughter Day"

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JAMMU, MAY 06: To celebrate the "World Laughter Day 2024" & to promote the Duggar Traditional Culture of J&K, Bhartiya Lok Sangeet Kala Sansthan (BLSKS) staged its 421th Regular Series Dogri Musical play "Apun Hassna Duen Hasana" in collaboration with Sangam Tru Art Production as parts of its regular feature at open air theatre, Durga Bhawan Janipur Jammu to aware the masses. The programme was inaugurated by the Chief Guest V.K. Magotra, former regional director, directorate of field publicity, Government of India, J.K. Raina, Freelancer Producer Director Films, Mukesh Singh, Media Person Jammu, Sh. Rajeev Salotra, Renowned Tabla Player of J&K were the Guest of Honors. Speaking on the occasion Chief Guest said that World Laughter Day is observed on the first Sunday of May. Laughter is the easiest and cost-effective solution for physical, mental, social and spiritual well-being. Every year the World Laughter Day came into existence in 1998, the day was introduced by Dr. Madan Kataria, the founder of the worldwide Laughter Yoga Movement. It is well said that the strongest and most powerful emotion of the living beings called



laughter has all healing properties within it. Laughter is the perfect remedy with all the required ingredients for the healthy life. Laughter can change the mental state of its beholders as well the receiver. Based on above facts the concept of Laughter Yoga was introduced world wide and large number of people benefited from this unique curative therapy & he also lauded the role of Bhartiya Lok Sangeet Kala Sansthan and underlined the importance of staging such plays in all parts of the state to generate awareness among the masses about various social evils through theatre/drama which are still very powerful medium of communication. The program was also recorded & uploaded online on Social Media for benefit of the peoples.

The Musical Play "Apun Hassna Duen Hasana" written, produced and directed by Dr. M.L. Dogra, said that World Laughter Day is celebrated across the world with an aim of promoting world peace, brotherhood and friendship among all. This day reminds the society that laughter is the best medicine to ward off dangers of modern day monotonous and mechanized lifestyles. People from different walks of life celebrate World Laughter Day with great enthusiasm crossing all social, professional and personal barriers.

The Formula is very simple -When you laugh; you change and when you change the world changes around you. Inner change is the key to see the change in the outer world. The war in the external world the reflection of the inner war going on in the minds of people. Unconditional laughter has the power to change the inner chemistry and make us feel good inside. When you feel good

inside, it changes the perception of outer world. The comedy skits, song & dances present by the artists were "Apun Hassna Duen Hasana", "Oh Jija Kiyana udhumpura", "Panch Pandit Ji Pandit ji sade jagte gi dikho", "Gal meri Suniyo Dyal Ji fi kariyo zara vichara ji mai parien totke sab kargi", "Jammu Sher sada dogre da sher", the music was composed & assisted by Raju Bajgal, Renowned Professional Singer J&K.

Welcoming the dignitaries J.K. Raina, Freelancer Producer Director Films, explained aims & objectives of the programme which have been assigned to the sansthan for betterment of society in his key note address, highlighted the various aspects of play which has been produced in collaboration with Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India and State Government of Jammu and Kashmir with Health department for mass awareness and Every year, people celebrate World Laughter Day this year celebrated on 05th of May 2024. The purpose is to show different sides of laughter and its impact on society. "Laugh Together, Heal Together." is this year's theme. It is about the social nature of laughter. In difficult times, people step forward to support each other and solve problems.

Yoga event organised at GDC Ramnagar



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JAMMU, MAY 06: To celebrate Yoga Mahotsav 2024 a mega Yoga event was organized by Women Development Cell, Govt. Degree College Ramnagar in collaboration with Health and Medical Department of AYUSH, Udhampur to involve students in Yoga Practices and healthy wellbeing. The whole programme was conducted under the able patronship of Dr. Bhavnai Chand, Principal GDC Ramnagar.

To create awareness about the holistic nature of Yoga and encourage students to incorporate it into their daily lives for enhanced well-being, a Yoga session was conducted on the theme 'Yoga for Women Empowerment'. A team of 6 medical staff members from Department of Health and Medical Ayush visited the college and around 50 students performed various yoga asana and pranayama mudras to stay calm, happy and for concentration and focus. Dr. Prayarana Sharma, Medical Officer AYUSH, demonstrated how Ayurveda can help to boost our immunity. She also elaborated the necessary ayurvedic herbs like tulsi, Giloy, Ashwaganda etc. and their proper dosages. Dr Sharma also demonstrated the various breathing exercises and yoga Asanas for healthy being.

Later on, the camp followed with the free consultations checkups of students and staff members. Around 100 female students and staff members were checked and were provided with free immunity boosters like Giloy, Ashwagandha, Chawanparash etc. and required medicines as per their health conditions.

Principal GDC Ramnagar, Dr. Bhavnai Chand, opined that activities like Yoga infuse not only a sense of healthy wellness but a sense of discipline and self reliance among the students also.

The event was organized under the guidance of convener WDC, Prof Ashni Devi and the committee members Prof Sumita Rao, Prof Ritika Mahajan and Prof Sonia Raj. Dr. Pankaj Sharma, Dr. Kewal Kumar, Dr. Manmohan Singh, Dr. Piyush Kant, Prof. Jatinder Lal and Dr. Nazakat Ahmed also graced the mega event with their presence.

Lok Janshakti Party (Ramvilas) extends support to Chirag Paswan in Hajipur Elections

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JAMMU, MAY 06: Under the chairmanship of Rafiq Malik, State President of Lok Janshakti Party (Ramvilas) in Jammu, Kashmir, and Ladakh (JKUT), a press conference was convened today at the party's headquarters.

Addressing a press conference, Rafiq Malik extended hearty congratulations to Chirag Paswan for his spirited participation in the upcoming elections in Hajipur. Rafiq Malik, while addressing the media, expressed the party's unwavering support and enthusiasm for Chirag Paswan's candidacy in Hajipur. He appealed the people of Hajipur Parliamentary Constituency residing in J&K UT to support and vote to an energetic youth leader Chirag Paswan for the progress and development of the Constituency.

He also thanked Prime Minister Narendra Modi for providing responsibility if youth leader Chirag Paswan for the welfare of people by



nominating his Chirag Paswan's candidature.

He said appealed people to strengthen hand of Prime Minister Narendra Modi for progressing and development of country.

He emphasized the commitment of the LJP (R) JKUT and its members to stand firmly behind Chirag Paswan, extending their full support for his electoral endeavours. Furthermore, Santosh Singh was welcomed back into the fold of the party, assuming the prestigious position of State Secretary General JKUT.

"Santosh Singh return signifies a strengthened leader-

SKUAST-Jammu Organizes Events on Lifestyle for Environment (LiFE)

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JAMMU, MAY 06: Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology of Jammu in its mission to create awareness among students regarding "Mission LiFE" conducted two events on Poster Making and Ideation under the theme "Waste to Wealth in Agriculture, Horticulture, Agroforestry and Livestock Farming". The objective of organizing events was to scale up vision of Mission LiFE into on-ground actions. In the poster making contest, 60 talented participants showcased their creativity and commitment to the cause while the Ideation competition witnessed the active participation of 13 candidates who presented innovative ideas for creation of wealth from waste through PowerPoint presentations. The events were managed by Dr. Manmohan Sharma, Dr. Ankur Rastogi, Dr. Sachin Gupta and Dr. Partiksha Raghuvanshi.

Mission LiFE, proposed at Glasgow Climate Change



Conference (COP 26) in November 2021 and launched on 20th October, 2022 by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, is envisioned as an India-led global mass movement that will nudge individual and collective action to protect and preserve the environment.

The enthusiasm and dedication exhibited by the students was commendable, reflecting their commitment to generate innovative solutions for addressing pressing environmental challenges caused by diverse agro wastes. Dr. Hema Tripathi, Associate Director Extension, SKUAST-Jammu and Prof. A.K. Raina, former Professor and Head, Department of Environment Sciences, University of Jammu were the judges in Ideation contest

while Shri Sat Paul Deol judged the poster competition. The programme was held under the overall patronage of Prof. B.N. Tripathi, Vice Chancellor, SKUAST-Jammu. Prof. Rajinder Peshin, Director of Education is the Chairperson while Prof. Sudhakar Dwivedi, Dean Student Welfare is acting as the Coordinator of the Programmes being organized under Mission LiFE at SKUAST-Jammu.

The student activities under Mission LiFE at SKUAST-Jammu are being organized in coordination with NAHEP-IDP and NSS unit of the University. These events shall serve as precursors to the main function scheduled to be held at the Baba Jitto Auditorium, SKUAST-Jammu on May 13, 2024.