

Congress Manifesto Committee visited Samba district, sought suggestions from people



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JAMMU, JULY 26: Indian National Congress District Samba President Sanjeev Sharma organized a party manifesto suggestion program in party office Samba. Indian National Congress Jammu Kashmir Congress Manifesto Drafting Committee President Ravinder Sharma, members Yashpal Kundal, Indu Pawar, Shashi Sharma, Satish Sharma participated in the program. Presidents and vice-presidents of different Morcha of the district including Mahila Morcha President, SC Morcha President, ST Morcha President, OBC Morcha President, Block Pradhan, Block Deputy Pradhan and other colleagues participated in the program. Manifesto

Drafting Committee members said that this time Congress Party will not prepare the party manifesto but will go among the public and prepare peoples manifesto by taking public issues and suggestions. During this time, people told the members of the manifesto committee that the biggest problem in Samba district right now is mining.

People are getting sand at very high prices for building houses. For which the government is not taking any appropriate steps.

Apart from this, despite the presence of industry in the district, people from outside states are being given priority in the industry and the youth of the local district are not getting jobs there either. Therefore, we

demand that the Congress should include this in its manifesto that when the government comes, local youth should be given priority in the industry. Apart from this, people raised the demand that the Ramgarh area of Samba district is completely dependent on farming. Therefore, we demand that this should also be added in the manifesto that when the Congress government comes, the rent of the pump sets of the farmers should be completely waived and their KCC loans should also be waived. Apart from this, many issues like giving jobs to local youth in AIIMS, age relaxation in JK Police recruitment, border reservation, Dogra certificate, permanent fire brigade station in Ramgarh, giving gun licenses in the district etc. were requested to be added to the manifesto.

After listening to the suggestions of the people, the chairman of the drafting committee, Ravind Sharma said that we have written down the suggestions of all the people and soon they will be sent to the Delhi High Command and we assure that this time Congress will prepare its manifesto on the issues of the people so that when we come to power, every demand of the people is fulfilled in a phased manner. On this occasion, senior spokesperson Jagdeep Singh, District President SC Department Vinod Kumar, Anita Devi, Ismail Chaudhary, Balram Kundal, Kamer Singh, Raj Khajuria, Rakesh Sambyal, Dinesh Singh, Satish Dutta and others were present.

Training Programme on Next Generation Sequencing concludes at SKUAST Jammu

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JAMMU, JULY 26: A hands on training programme on "Hands-on Training on Next Generation Sequencing: A Tool for Genome Analysis and Genomic Resources" sponsored by NAHEP-IDP, ICAR, New Delhi held from 22nd to 29th July 2024 successfully concluded at Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences & Technology of Jammu.

This comprehensive training programme aimed to build capacity and develop skills in advanced genomic techniques among participants.

Prof. B. N. Tripathi, Vice Chancellor of SKUAST-Jammu was the Chief Guest in the valedictory session. In his address, Prof. Tripathi, lauded the efforts of the participants and the organizing team. He emphasized the significance of such training programmes in equipping young scientists with the latest tools and techniques in biotechnology, thereby fostering innovation and research excellence. The training, organized at the Institute of Biotechnology, SKUAST Jammu, saw enthusiastic participation



from final-year B.Tech Biotechnology students, along with MSc and PhD scholars. The Vice Chancellor wished good luck to the passing out students and advised them to act as brand ambassadors for the University by showing their skill and efficiency in all the future endeavours. Prof. Anil Kumar, Registrar SKUAST-Jammu, also addressed the students/trainees and wished them for a better future ahead. Earlier, Dr. R.K. Salgotra Director, Institute of Biotechnology, highlighted the importance of NGS in modern biological research

and its potential to revolutionize the understanding of complex genomes. He expressed satisfaction on successful completion of the programme and encouraged the participants to apply acquired skills in their future research projects.

The hands-on-training was conducted by in-house faculty and experts from different Institutes. The training covered various aspects of next-generation sequencing (NGS), including its applications in genome analysis and the utilization of genomic resources for research and

development. The participants expressed their gratitude for the opportunity to be a part of this training programme, noting the valuable knowledge and practical experience gained.

The valedictory session concluded with the distribution of certificates and mementos to the participants by Prof. B.N. Tripathi.

The proceedings of the training were conducted by Dr. Manmohan Sharma, Professor, IBT; and the programme ended with a vote of thanks by Dr. Ravinder Singh, Convener of the training programme.

NILM NGO Organized Drug Abuse Awareness, Prevention Programme at GMS Raipur

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JAMMU, JULY 26: National Incredible Literacy Mission organized drug abuse awareness and prevention programme in collaboration with directorate of school education Jammu at Govt. Middle School Raipur of the district Jammu. Here many students participated in the programme. During the programme Rakeshwar Singh Project Director NILM Jammu gave a detailed lecture over drugs addiction. He further added that drugs are degrading our youth of the JK UT and he requested the youth never indulge in the company of those student who are consuming tobacco, cigarette and alcohol that is injurious to health, he added that drugs start from small things like smoking and ends with destruction.

Tamara Sharma Guest Lecturer informed the gathering about the side effects of drugs and she told gathering about the circumstances how students get involved in the drugs. She also told the way of avoiding these circumstances.

Speaking on occasion Sheetal Devi Guest Lecturer and counsellor informed the gathering that youngsters get inspired through movies and film industries which are promoting evil things of society. She added that drugs are the most dangerous things which can destroy the whole family of addicted person.

Sunita Devi Headmistress appreciated the work of NILM NGO regarding awareness over such a sensitive issue. Geeta Sharma teacher gave an intellectual speech and presented vote of thanks at the end of programme.

A BVP Jammu University Stages Protest Against Controller of Examination



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JAMMU, JULY 26: The Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP), Jammu University Unit organised a protest against the Controller of Jammu University. The protest was held on behalf of the B.Sc Paramedical students from various colleges affiliated with the University of Jammu, including Government Medical College (GMC) Jammu, Doda, Rajouri, and Kathua. The students of the 2020-21 batch have been facing significant issues related to their academic progression, particularly concerning the delay in the declaration of their results and the conduction of their third-year examina-

tions. The B.Sc Paramedical degree is designed to be completed within three years and six months, which includes an internship period. However, despite three years and three months having passed, there has been an unacceptable delay in both the announcement of results and the scheduling of the third-year exams. This delay is severely impacting the academic and professional futures of the students, causing widespread distress and uncertainty.

The protesting students and ABVP representatives demanded the immediate declaration of all pending results. Furthermore, they

called for prompt scheduling and conduction of the third-year examinations to ensure that the students' educational timelines are not further disrupted.

State Secretary of ABVP Akshi Billowria, stated, "The students of the 2020-21 batch have been patient for far too long. The delay in declaring results is like playing with their careers. The administration must understand this situation and take immediate corrective measures."

Jammu University President Sahil Choudhary said that, "ABVP stands with the students and will continue to fight for their rights. The authorities must ensure timely resolution of these issues to prevent further academic losses. The students have already suffered enough, and it is high time their concerns are addressed effectively. He said that the result should be released as soon as possible."

The protest witnessed participation in large number of students and ABVP members, all united in their demand for a swift resolution to the ongoing academic crisis. The ABVP has vowed to escalate their agitation if the university administration fails to take prompt action.

People endorsing good governance model of Modi govt: Sat

Sat, Kavinder welcome new entrants into BJP

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JAMMU, JULY 26: Inspired by the good governance model of Prime Minister Narendra Modi led government, prominent people across the sections of society are joining BJP in large numbers, said Sat Sharma. Former BJP President & former Minister Sat Sharma in the presence of Kavinder Gupta, former Dy Chief Minister welcomed a number of prominent social and political persons into Bharatiya Janata Party at party headquarters, Trikuta Nagar, Jammu.

Prof Gharu Ram, DDC & former MLA, Ashwani Sharma, former MLA, Ch Vikram Randhawa, former MLC, DDC Suresh Sharma, Jeet Angral, former JMC Chairperson, and Er TK Sharma, Co-convenor Swachh Bharat Abhiyan also welcomed the new entrants into the party fold. Santok Singh, Tulsi Thakur, Mohan Lal, Anil, Ghanshyam, Munish Kumar, Janak Raj, Sandeep Lamba, Dev Raj and others from diverse backgrounds were among the prominent people to join on the occasion.

Joining was facilitated with the efforts of Sardeesh Rana. Sat Sharma, while welcoming the new entrants congratulated them for joining the largest political



party of the world. He said that presently BJP enjoys the love and faith of the people due to its people centric policies and the development-oriented approach. He said that the Modi government has fully focused on the welfare of the people who were neglected earlier due to the inconsistent and ill motivated policies of previous governments. He said that now the people have development a hope and faith on the political system and the leadership which is increasing the stature of the India and the Indians throughout the world.

Kavinder Gupta also welcomed the new entrants in the party with a thrust on their dedicated working in the service of nation and the society. He said

that once they have joined the BJP, it would become their duty to first attend to the call of nation and the society putting them before 'self'. He wished them good luck for their future endeavour.

Rest of the speakers also welcomed the new entrants into the party fold and said that the party is getting support from all sections of society because of its mantra of "sabka saath, sabka vikas and sabka vishwas".

New entrants expressed their preparedness to work for the welfare of the society as a dedicated worker of BJP. They said that BJP has the clear 'policy and principle' line that guides its cadre for the selfless service to the society.

Sham, Ashok, Vikram, Brijesh flag off the de-addiction rally



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JAMMU, JULY 26: As part of the Sanskrit month, the Kailash Jyotish avim Vedic Trust organized an awareness rally for de-addiction on Friday, 26th July, from SD Memorial High Secondary School, Karwanda, Bhalwal, Jammu to Government High Secondary School, Bhalwal. The rally aimed to spread the message of staying away from addiction. In observance of Kargil Vijay Diwas, plants were also planted and distributed.

The chief guest at the event was former minister Sham Lal Sharma, the guest of honor was Director of School Education Jammu Ashok Jammu, esteemed guest Vikram Sharma from the Jammu and Kashmir High Court Bar Association, and special guest SP Rural Jammu Brijesh Sharma. Other distinguished guests included Regional Director of Social Forestry Ravindra Singh Gorla, among others. On this occasion, Sham Lal Sharma stated that only education can eradicate the evils of addiction. If one

must be addicted, let it be to education, as it is a powerful path to progress. He also highlighted the invaluable contribution of Mahant Rohit Shastri in promoting and developing the Sanskrit language in India. Efforts should be made to promote Sanskrit, the foundation of all languages.

Ashok Sharma praised the Trust's initiative to raise awareness about the harmful effects of drug use through the de-addiction rally. He further emphasized that efforts should be made to teach children Sanskrit at home, and only then can we advise others to use this language.

Vikram Sharma stated that addiction is the mother of crime. It is essential for children to receive moral education. By adhering to our values and moral education, we can surely stay away from addiction. Addiction harms not only the individual but also their family and society.

Brijesh Sharma mentioned how addiction damages our physical, mental, economic, and family life.

Efforts should be made to help those trapped in addiction through strong willpower. He expressed hope that Mahant Rohit Shastri's efforts to promote Sanskrit would inspire others, and Sanskrit would once again become a prevalent language in Jammu and Kashmir.

Mahant Rohit Shastri mentioned that Sanskrit Day is celebrated every year on the full moon day of Shravan, and this year it will be celebrated on 19th August. The Trust has decided to celebrate Sanskrit month this year as well, starting with the distribution of five thousand plants on 23rd July. Throughout the month, grand events will be held to promote the divine language, Sanskrit. The Sanskrit month will conclude on 19th August, the full moon day of Shravan.

At this event, students from SD Memorial High Secondary School, Karwanda, Bhalwal, Jammu, and Government High Secondary School, Bhalwal, along with former Sarpanch Rajdev Singh, BDC Kuldip Kumar, Sho Garota Arjun, Rakesh Gandotra, Dilbahadur Singh Jamwal, Vijay Gupta, Uttam Chand Sharma, Nigam Gupta, Pramod Sharma, Sunita Sharma, Prof. Sharad Sharma, Naresh Raina, Vijay Seth, Ajay Sharma, Narottam Sharma, Pawan Khajuria.

Chopra Organises Free Health Check Up Camp at Jammu Haat



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JAMMU, JULY 26: On the Occasion of 25th Anniversary of Kargil Vijay Diwas Today Chairman Samvedna Society Keshav Chopra organizes 85th Free Health Screening camp at Jammu Haat. The camp was inaugurated by General Manager DIC Jammu Virender Manjal JKAS

A medical team of experts including Dr Arvind Sharma Physician from Medanta Hospital Gurgaon and Dr Adhunik Gupta Physiotherapist examined the Employees and the Locals Visiting the office of DIC Jammu for their Routine Work, PFT (Pulmonary Function Test), ECG, Blood Sugar, Blood Pressure and other tests were also done.

The motive of the camp was to provide the best health care services to the Employees who are always busy in performing their duties Samvedna Organises this Health camp at their doorstep. More than 94 People were examined by Physician and 48 by Physiotherapist.

Speaking on the Occasion Virender Manjal said

"Health is Wealth" and only with good mental and physical health we can deliver the best and serve the nation in the best way. He also highlighted the importance of routine health check-ups and praised the Samvedna society's initiative to provide quality healthcare services to the employees at their doorstep.

Keshav Chopra said that the Objective for Organizing Such Free Health Camps are to serve the Society and mankind. This Camp is dedicated to the Martyrs of Kargil Who laid down their lives in the line of duty. Keshav Chopra assured that he along with his team will continue conduct free medical camps in the future also so that maximum people can take advantage of it. Kuldeep Dubey, Manoj Gandotra, Tarun Gupta, Saksham Mahajan, Rupinder Kour, Sunaina Sharma, Govind Sharma, Ruhil Khajuria, Ankur Kalotra, Sandeep Singh (Asst Marketing Manager), Anju, Vikas Kumar, Muneet Kour, Manshu Skolia, Ishrat, Priyanka, Akash, Manoj, Abhishek Gupta and others were also present.

Development, public welfare not in priority list of administration in Samba: Manjit

Says basic infrastructure lacks in many villages

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SAMBA, JULY 26: Continuing the public outreach program, the Apni Party Provincial President, Jammu, and Former Minister, S. Manjit Singh today has accused the administration of not giving adequate priority to the development, and implementation of public welfare scheme in Samba District that has affected the normal life of the people.

As per a press release, a meeting was organized here at village Meen Charkan in Bari Brahmana of Samba District to discuss various issues confronted by the people.

During the meeting, the participants raised the issue of the adverse condition of roads with huge potholes, damaged lanes, and drains.

On hearing them, the Former Minister expressed surprise as to how administration and its respective departments fail to check the developmental work on the ground that require immediate response for the welfare of the people.

"Public funds are provided by the Govt to upgrade the living standard by ensuring developmental works. However, the situation in various villages and wards of Samba District is



different," he added. He stated that the situation is alarming for the people who have lost their faith in the Govt and its administration that has created a wedge and failed to work for the public welfare.

"In these last several years, the trust between the people, and the administration has reduced and hence, the people also avoid going to the respective administrative offices in their tehils because of non-responsive attitude of the officials, and arrogance that is responsible for mistrust," he stated.

He said that the people want to bring change in the governance and hence, they are desperately waiting for elections in Jammu and Kashmir for its legislative assembly.

Citing anger among the people as a reason for disconnection and mistrust, he

said that the people of Jammu and Kashmir have also sought restoration of statehood.

He said that the hopes of the people were again compromised by granting more powers to the Lt Governor of J&K than an elected Govt. Thus, these additional powers to the LG J&K would make the elected Govts weaker in taking decisions in favour of the people, and it is believed that the bureaucracy would continue to dominate the elected Govt.

He however asked the people to extend their support to the Apni Party in the proposed Assembly Elections in J&K to bring positive change in favour of the general masses, uneducated people, and fulfill the equitable developmental aspiration of the people across the regions.