## **Justice Tashi exhorts citizens to perform their** duties as enshrined in Indian Constitution

#### IIM Jammu hosts enlightening session on constitutional duties

Jammu & Kashmir Legal Services Authority, in collaboration with District Legal Services Authority, Jammu and Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Jammu, today organized an awareness programme on "Duties of a Citizen Under the Constitution of India" at IIM Jammu.

Acting Chief Justice, High Court of J&K and Ladakh, Justice Tashi Rabstan, was the chief guest on the occassion who was accompanied by M. K. Sharma, Principal Secretary and Amit Kumar Gupta, Member Secretary, J&K Legal Services Authority, Professor B. S. Sahai, Director, IIM Jammu, Dean Academic, Cmdr Kesavan Baskkaran, Chief Administrative Officer, IIM Jammu and Smriti Sharma, Secretary, DLSA Jammu, as well as other faculty members of the Institute were

present. The visit commenced with a comprehensive tour of the IIM Jammu, inspecting the institute's state-of-art facilities and infrastructure that included a world-class library, e-enabled lecture rooms and well maintained administrative block.

Following the campus tour, Justice Tashi Rabstan participated in a sapling plantation ceremony, symbolizing growth and a commitment towards environmental sustainability.

On the occasion, the NALSA (National Legal Services Authority) Theme Song was presented/showcased.

Justice Tashi Rabstan, expressed gratitude to IIM Jammu for organizing the program, emphasizing its importance, particularly for the students. He highlighted the significance of the constitution of India, noting that it is one of the best in the world and addresses every aspect concerning Indian citizens. He urged upon the students to spend five minutes reading the preamble, which can easily be found on Google. He read the preamble, pointing out that it starts with "We, the people," and beautifully frames the objectives of political unity and integrity of the nation. He requested

everyone to take two minutes to go through it to understand their duties.

Justice Tashi Rabstan also mentioned Article 51A, which details the duties of citizens and was subsequently amended. He emphasized the relevance of the topic, stating that people often forget their duties toward the nation. These duties are in equality, and shared respecting and protecting India, safeguarding its stability, and reading the Constitution are indispensa-

He mentioned that understanding and performing these duties promote appreciation for adversity, critical

In his welcome address, Prof. B. S. Sahay, Director of IIM Jammu, remarked that IIM Jammu, despite being a new campus, is quickly making its mark. Though considered one of the newer IIMs, it has grown rapidly since its inception by the Ministry of Education. From just 47 students, it has expanded to a community of 1,000 students, and its efforts have been recognized with a ranking of 15th among all IIMs in India in NIRF Rankings, he added.

He emphasized the importance of remembering both rights and duties as citizens of the largest democracy in the world. Often, people tend



thinking, and meaningful contribution to society. He pointed out that it is especially important for the younger generation to understand their duty toward the nation, which includes protecting national property like gardens and monuments. He reminded everyone that damaging national property results in a loss for everyone.

Justice Tashi Rabstan encouraged everyone to read Article 51A of the Constitution. He was impressed by the state-ofthe-art library, Nalanda, which is unique and first of its kind, and the smart classrooms, which are equipped with the latest technology. He urged the students to take advantage of these facilities and congratulated Prof. B.S. Sahay, Director, IIM Jammu, and his team for establishing such a state-of-the-art facility in the city of Jammu.

to forget their responsibilities as citizens, but contributing to nation-building is a duty shared by all. He affirmed that IIM Jammu is committed towards upholding the Constitution, adhering to the laws and policies of the country, and striving for excellence in all endeavours. He called for respect for the national flag and awareness of rights and duties as responsible citizens. He encouraged everyone to con-

every pursuit. Prof. Jabir Ali, Dean Academics, IIM Jammu, in his address, briefed the audience about IIM Jammu, its activities, and its mission of making responsible citizens of the country. He spoke about IIM Jammu's academic activities, its fast-paced growth in a short span of

tinue working together for

the betterment of the nation

and to strive for excellence in

time, and the centers of excellence at the institute. He highlighted IIM Jammu's commitment towards sociodevelopment, economic knowledge dissemination, entrepreneurship, and holistic development, thereby contributing to the growth and development of the U.T. of Jammu and Kashmir and to nation-building.

He elaborated on the institute's focus on research publications, executive education and consultancy, and outreach programs. He emphasized IIM Jammu's commitment to quality publications in A class journals. He noted that today, IIM Jammu has 1034 students, reflecting the institute's rapid growth and increasing popularity. He assured that the focus remains on maintaining high-quality education and research, ensuring that IIM Jammu continues to thrive and contribute to the nation's development.

This was followed by an insightful presentation by Mandeep Reen, Advocate (Panel Lawyers), HCLSC, Jammu, who addressed the audience on the duty of every human being to safeguard public property and avoid resorting to violence under any circumstances. She emphasized that when individuals and societies uphold these principles, both the nation and the entire society rise towards excellence.

The visit concluded with an engaging interaction session, where students and faculty had the opportunity to interact with Justice Tashi Rabstan, fostering a deeper understanding and appreciation of the judicial system.

Smriti Šharma, Šecretary, DLSA Jammu, delivered the vote of thanks, expressing gratitude to all the dignitaries and participants.

The proceedings of the programme were conducted by Dr. Anuja Akhouri, Assistant Professor, IIM Jammu.

The event underscores IIM Jammu's commitment towards creating a dynamic and engaging learning envi-ronment, bridging the gap between academia and the judiciary, and nurturing future leaders who are wellversed in legal and ethical

# **Div Com & ADGP Jammu review arrangements** for Shri Buddha Amarnathji Yatra 2024

Divisional Commissioner Jammu, Ramesh Kumar, and Additional Director General of Police, Anand Jain today chaired a meeting and reviewed arrangements for Shri Buddha Amarnathji Yatra 2024.

Director Tourism Jammu, Deputy Commissioners and SSPS of Jammu, Poonch, Rajouri, Reasi, SSP Security, SSP Traffic Jammu, SSP Traffic Rural, Director ULB, Director Health Services, Chief Engineer JPDCL, CE Jal Shakti, representatives of Baba Yatri Niwas, Vishwa Hindu Parishad, and other concerned officers were present. Threadbare discussions were held on timely dispatching of the Yatra Convoy from Jammu, cut off timings, haltage points, and registration of the Yatris. It was stressed that the Yatris undertake the Yatra as per the guidelines issued by the administration and use only the designated route for the holy Yatra.

It was impressed for the convenience of the Yatris that no Yatri without registration should enter Poonch for taking part in the annual holy

management, and lodging, boarding facilities for the pilpilgrimage to Shri Buddha



Amarnathji Yatra

During the meeting, the Divisional Commissioner took stock of the necessary arrangements made for the yatris of Shri Budhha Amarnathji in Jammu. Rajouri, Poonch and Reasi. He reviewed various arrangements, including transport facilities for pilgrims, adequate security measures, provision for langers, medical facilities, sanitation, water the stay of pilgrims in the holy pilgrimage.

The ADGP issued directives to SSPs to implement comprehensive security measures. He instructed the SSPs for deploying an adequate number of police personnel along the route, fortifying security checkpoints, and maintaining strict vigilance at all times.

Deputy Commissioner Poonch shared details about the identified locations for

and power supply, traffic district. The Div Com instructed the DC Poonch to ensure that all necessary facilities like accommodation, food, water, Power, medical, sanitation and other necessary arrangements are in place to provide a safe and comfortable stay for the Yatris.

Deputy Commissioner Rajouri was directed to ensure proper arrangements for the Yatra at different haltage points in Rajouri.

Regarding the further journey of Shri Buda Amarnath pilgrims to the revered Shiv Khori Shrine, the Div Com instructed the Deputy Commissioner Reasi to make all necessary arrangements for this segment of the Yatra.

Director Tourism was asked to provide wide publicity to Shri Buddha Amarnathji yatra 2024.

Members from Baba Amarnath and Buddha Amarnathji Yatri Niyas also shared their inputs for the successful conduct of the

#### STD organises 'Dealers Meet' at Jammu Additional Commissioner listens to grievances of taxpayers during meet, also reviews financial position of first quarter of fiscal year 2024-25

JAMMU, JULY 26 : Additional Commissioner State Taxes Administration & Enforcement, Jammu, Namrita Dogra on Friday stressed on 100% return filing compliance and also warned the taxpayers over consequences of fraudsters using fake or multiple QR (quick response) codes and showing sale suppression.

Additional Commissioner made these remarks while chairing 'Dealers Meet' with taxpayers of Circle A and Circle-C of Jammu, organised by Sales Tax Department (STD) as part of 'Know Your Dealer' initiative.

During the meet, the Additional Commissioner also reviewed the financial position of first quarter of fiscal year 2024-25 ending this June and held deliberations on devising strategy for revenue argumentation for remaining three quarters.

Appreciating the dedication and honesty of Jammu

The Directorate of Tourism

Jammu, in association with

the District Administration

Kishtwar and the J&K

Academy of Art, Culture &

Languages, organized a grand "Mata Ka Jagran" at

Shri Chandi Mata Bhawan in

ed by Deputy Commissioner Kishtwar, Dr. Devansh Yadav, to mark the com-

mencement of the Annual

Shree Machail Yatra.

The Jagran, held on the eve of the first day of the

yatra, was a vibrant and spir-

The event was spearhead-

Machail.

Old City's dealers, the Additional Commissioner said that Jammu City's taxpayers traditionally remained obedient and file their respective taxes on time, which is expected in future too. She laid stress on 100% return compliance and clearing all the blocked payments. She also encouraged the business representatives to openly share their grievances with concerned STOs.

Highlighting an analysis, the Additional Commissioner said, "We have noticed that some food vendors, restaurants, hoteliers and other traders are receiving payments through multiple UPI accounts to hide their actual turnovers aimed to show suppressed sale and avoid issuing tax invoices". She added that such trend is in notice of the department and soon a drive will be launched to check these violations.

Namrita Dogra also urged the taxpayers to keep their stock positioning and direct-

The night was filled with

KISHTWAR, JULY 26: and participate in the festivi-

commencement of Annual Shree Machail Yatra

ed STOs for frequent inspections of stocks in case of mismatch.
"All taxpayers should

keep their stock position and sales aligned with tax statements to ensure transparency. We have noticed many cases where dealers are not aware of non-compliance and notices we issue because their own phone number is not registered with department, so I urge you all to register GST with personal email and mobile numbers to receive timely notifications and communications from department," Additional Commissioner

She also advised them to use HSN code properly to avoid any red flagging identification.

At the outset, State Tax Officer, Circle-A and State Tax Officer Circle C briefed the attendees about agenda of meeting and introduced the dealers, of different sectors like automobiles, restaurant

& entries, hotels, work contracts, garment, electronics, paints & varnishing, service sector, tuition centers, consultancies, mobile and other retail sector.

The meeting was part of Commissioner State Taxes P K Bhat's , initiative under 'Know Your Dealer' initiative, launched to increase communication of circle level officers with the taxpayers to know their trade specific grievances and shortfalls. The meeting was pivotal for getting feedback from taxpayers and to make them aware of the consequences of non-compliance and tax evasions with a view to create deterrence amongst the taxpayers.

One to one discussion was also held with each representative of business to assess sector wise business and tax position. On the spot directions were also issued to noncompliant dealers to clear their ITC's reversals and rec-Mata Ka Jagran at Shri Chandi Mata Bhawan marks

#### Bhupinder, Dr Abid hold joint review on progress of additional block at Bone & Joint Hospital Sgr SRINAGAR, JULY 26: Srinagar, NPCC Ltd., among comprehensive review of the

Secretary Public Works others.
Department (Roads & Prin Building) Bhupinder Kumar and Secretary Health & Medical Education, Dr Syed Abid Rasheed Shah today convened a joint meeting to oversee the timelines for the completion of the additional block at Bone & Joint Hospital Srinagar, funded under the World Bank's Jhelum-Tawi Flood Recovery Project (JTFRP).

The new unit is a vital component of the JTFRP aimed at bolstering healthcare infrastructure and services in the region. The meeting was attended by Principal & Dean of Government Medical College Srinagar Prof Dr. Iffat Hassan, Managing Director JK Medical Supplies Corporation Ltd. Kapil Sharma, Director Finance H&ME, Director Technical/ Safeguards J&K ERA/JTFRP, Director ERA, Administrator Associated Hospitals GMC Srinagar, Mohamamd Ashraf Hakak, Head of Department Orthopedics B&J GMC Medical Srinagar Superintendent B&J Hospital

Principal & Dean GMC her presentation, provided an update on the current status of the project, highlighting

project's physical and financial statuses, revealing that Srinagar, Dr Iffat Hassan, in between 85% to 100% of physical works have been completed. Financially, the

"We are working diligently to ensure that this facility is completed on time and equipped with the latest technology." he added.

Secretary H&ME, Dr Syed Abid Rasheed Shah,



that the originally planned 120-bed block has been expanded to accommodate 160 beds, including a 6-bed ICU and two private wards.

The facility will also feature advanced amenities such as 12-bed pre-op and post-op rooms, 3 modular OTs, radiology, physiotherapy, faculty rooms, earthquake protection using dampers, pneumatic tube transfer system, hospital information and management system, and minimum IBGC Gold Certification.

The meeting conducted a

Rs 116.38 crore, with Rs 75.2 crore already expended and Rs 4.7 crore as mobilization advance. Civil works have achieved 96% completion, with overall project completion nearing 90%.

Secretary Bhupinder Kumar, emphasized the need for expedited efforts from executive agencies to ensure timely completion of all pending tasks, underscoring the importance of delivering a state-of-the-art medical facility to the

urged officers and agencies to adhere strictly to tender specifications in the selection of equipment, emphasizing the integration of the latest technology to enhance

He said that the new Jammu and Kashmir.

healthcare delivery.

orthopedic unit must be equipped with state-of-theart technology to meet the evolving needs of our patients, and added that we are committed to delivering a facility that sets new standards in orthopedic care in

live performances renowned artists such as Chaman Lehri and Daljeet

itually uplifting event.

ADC Kishtwar, Pawan
Kotwal, along with CEO
Kishtwar Development Kishtwar Development Authority Dr Rishi Kumar Sharma, AO DC Office Satinder Kumar besides other officials from the Machail Yatra Cell, were present to oversee and support the proceedings. The event was also graced by the presence of hundreds of devotees, who gathered to seek blessings

Singh Rathore. Their soulful renditions and devotional songs created a serene and divine atmosphere, captivating the audience throughout the night.

Deputy Commissioner Dr. Devansh Yadav expressed his felicitations to all the participating organizations and

making the event a grand success. He highlighted the devotional fervor, featuring cultural and spiritual signifi-



cance of the Annual Shree Machail Yatra and the importance of such events in fostering communal harmony and spiritual upliftment.

The event marked the beginning of the much-anticipated pilgrimage, with devotees embarking on their journey to the holy shrine of Shri Chandi Mata. The District Administration has made extensive arrangements to ence for all pilgrims.

artists for their efforts in ensure the safety and comfort of the pilgrims, including setting up camps, medical facilities, and security measures.

DC emphasized the administration's commitment to facilitating a smooth and hassle-free pilgrimage for all devotees. He also appreciated the support from the Directorate of Tourism Jammu and the J&K Academy of Art, Culture & Languages in organizing the event and promoting the cultural heritage of the region. The "Mata Ka Jagran" at

Shri Chandi Mata Bhawan was not only a spiritual gathering but also a testament to the rich cultural traditions of Kishtwar. The event successfully brought together people from different walks of life. united in their devotion and reverence for Shri Chandi Mata. As the Annual Shree Machail Yatra commences, the District Administration Kishtwar remains dedicated to ensuring a memorable and spiritually fulfilling experi-

### DC Jammu aims to spearhead 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' campaign Discussions also covered

JAMMU, JULY 26: Commissioner Kumar Vaishya, chaired a meeting aimed at driving forward the 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' campaign focussed on tree plantation across the district. The meeting saw the participation of key officers, including DFO Suresh Manda.

The DC briefed Sub-Divisional Magistrates, Chief Education Officers, Chief Medical Officer and other district officers on their roles in the campaign.

He emphasised the importance of involving panchayat ghars and the rural population to ensure widespread

participation and success. The meeting delved into identifying tree species that are best suited to the local environment and easy to C M propagate.

the numerous benefits of afforestation and strategies for protecting young trees. The DC reminded all participants to plant trees in their offices and homes, and to campaign," stated Sachin tion of the newly planted Kumar. "Plantation will be trees. carried out at all government facilities, including panchayat ghars, tehsil offices, health institutions and government

In a subsequent meeting, the DC addressed solid waste schools. District officers will



plant trees in memory of the nation's martyrs. He highlighted the ambitious goal of planting one lakh trees in the

panchayats and Urban Local Bodies in the district will participate in the coordinate and execute the mission on the ground, with SDMs and the DFO ensuring comprehensive implementation throughout the district."

The DC also discussed with the DFO ways to ensure the preservation and protec-

management plans for both rural areas and ULBs. The discussion covered waste segregation strategies and the management of legacy waste. The DC called for regular reviews of the progress made on waste management objectives and addressed operational challenges and future Key attendees at the meet-

ing also included Additional Development Commissioner Sher Singh, Chief Planning Officer Uttam Singh, Assistant Commissioner Revenue Dr. Rajesh Kumar and Assistant Commissioner Development Dr. Vikas Sharma besides SDMs among other district

# JKRERA inspects Real Estate Projects, issues notice to defaulter

JAMMU, JULY 26: A team of officers under the directions of Chairperson, JKRERA, Satish Chandra, and Member, Virender Singh Pathania, today conducted a thorough inspection of various real estate projects in the region to ensure compliance with the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016.

The inspection team, comprising Undersecretary RERA Esha Chib, Tehsildar RERA Megha Gupta, Naib Tehsildar RERA Gias-uldin and JE RERA Amit Verma, assessed the projects' adherence to the Act and its associated rules.

The real estate projects which were inspected by the team included River Castle apartments, Tawivihar, Sidhra, Tawi Apartments, Mass Housing Building Corporation Limited, Palm Riviera, Corporation Sidhra and Royal Nest Sapphire, Kunjwani.

A primary focus of the inspection was to safeguard the interests of homebuyers

besides builders/promoters aware about the various provisions of the Real Estate (Regulation Development) Act, 2016 and the rules and regulations made there under.

Following a surge in consumer complaints, the authority has also issued a notice to a real estate developer and directed him to register itself under Section 3(2) of the Real Estate Act.

To reiterate, all real estate projects with a land area exceeding 500 square meters or proposing to develop more than eight apartments must be registered with JKRERA. It is imperative for promoters to understand that advertising, marketing, booking, selling, or inviting purchases for any plot, apartment, or building within a planning area is strictly prohibited without prior registration with the Real Estate Regulatory Authority.

The JKRERA remains steadfast in its commitment



to upholding the rights of homebuyers and ensuring transparency in the real estate sector. The Authority urges all real estate devel-

opers to cooperate fully with the inspection process and to strictly adhere to the provisions of the Real Estate Act.