

PCCF reviews working of Forest Deptt in Awantipora, Lidder Divisions

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Awantipora and of New Range office building in Bijbehara. The newly renovated Range Office Pampore was also thrown open to public services by the PCCF. An information brochure on forest fire management in Awantipora Division was also released on the occasion. PCCF visited Central forest nursery, Bijbehara where he gave directions for

effective nursery management, increasing medicinal plant cultivation, and biodiversity conservation by involving local people. He directed that nursery management works should target locals to generate livelihood for them. PCCF also directed for quality plant production on scientific lines and improvement of nursery based infrastructure as well.

During the inspection the PCCF & HoFF, J&K was accompanied by Conservator of Forests South Forest Circle Irfan Ali Shah, DFO Awantipora Forest Division Waseem Farooq Mir, DFO Lidder Forest Division Sheikh Mehraj, DFO Anantnag Mohammad Ramzaan., District level officers of Forest Protection Force, Range Forest officers and other Forest officials.

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Head of the Forest Force, J&K Roshan Jaggi, inspected Lidder and Awantipora Forest Divisions and reviewed the working of the Forest Department today.

He also reviewed the ongoing developmental works being executed in these Forest Divisions.

He informed that under flagship Green J&K Drive programme, the plantation target of 1.75 crores will be achieved this year in J&K.

He said a planting target of 15 lacs has been set up for this year for South Forest Circle. The PCCF stressed on Chinar planting and low-cost greening initiatives. He informed that South Forest Circle achieved a plantation target of 14.00 lacs last year. He directed for greening initiatives to be accelerated for rehabilitation of degraded forests here.

During the tour, PCCF inspected various ongoing development works in both the divisions including Shade Net Structure for Pampore Nursery. He also laid foundation stones of Block officers hut at Gossanard Pampore, New Forest Control Room building at

JDI Mohammad Aslam awarded Certificate of Appreciation for contribution in Shramadaan Swachh Bharat

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The Jammu and Kashmir Government on Sunday awarded Certificate of Appreciation to Joint Director Information Kashmir, Mohammad Aslam for his contribution in Shramadaan for Swachh Bharat under an initiative of Swachh Bharat Mission.

The selfless contribution of JDI Kashmir for advocating & fostering the environment of cleanliness at different forums and under his official capacity has been given recognition by the J&K Government.

The Deputy Director Information & PR; Assistant Director Field Publicity Unit, Cultural Officer and other staff members congratulated Joint Director



for the achievement and acknowledgement of his endeavors in Swachh Bharat Mission.

Mohammad Aslam has been very particular about the sanitation and neat & clean environment as he give emphasis on the disposal of waste in an eco-friendly way to reduce pollution.

Meanwhile, Joint Directorate Information Kashmir under the leadership of JDI, Mohammad Aslam to JDI conducted a cleanliness drive in the office premises and in the vicinity under Swachhata Hi Sewa campaign and under Ek Ghanta Ek Tareekh Ek Saath programme.

All the officers and offi-

cial of the department participated in the cleanliness drive and collected the plastic & other solid waste material which was latter disposed off in a proper manner. On the occasion, Swachhata Pledge was also held to ensure cleanliness in the surroundings and protect the environment from pollution.

'Swachhata Hi Seva Campaign' held in Kupwara

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Under the banner of "Swachhata Hi Seva and Shramadaan for Swachhata" colourful events and extensive cleanliness drives were organized by Government Departments, Colleges, Schools, Municipal Bodies and Panchayats across the Kupwara district.

During one hour campaign under the slogan, Ek Tareekh, Ek Ghanta, Ek Saath Cleanliness Drives and Swachhata Pledges were carried out by all sections of the society.

Deputy Commissioner Kupwara, Ayushi Sudan took part in several Swachhata events held at BHSS Ground Kupwara, Taxi Stand Regipora and D.C Office Kupwara.

Speaking at the occasion, the Deputy Commissioner said that cleanliness should be incorporated as a regular practice in the lifestyle by everybody. She appealed to all the stakeholders especially the general public, to maintain cleanliness and sanitation in their surroundings to achieve the goal of Swachh Bharat.

She urged that cleanliness is not confined to physical spaces alone; it also extends to our habits and mindset. It is not merely a matter of appearance;



it has a profound impact on our health, environment, and overall well-being.

Vice Chairman DDC in his address said that Swachhata Hi Seva is a good initiative of the Government which needs to be implemented in letter and spirit. He urged upon the people of the district to cooperate in making Kupwara a clean and green district.

Chairman MC also spoke and highlighted the impor-

tance of the event.

At BHSS Kupwara, the Deputy Commissioner along with Vice Chairman, DDC, Haji Farooq Ahmad Mir; Chairman MC Kupwara, Reyaz Ahmad Mir, President Traders Federation Kupwara, Showkat Ahmad Masoodi, besides, District/Sectoral Officers and Officials from various departments took part in the cleanliness drive.

The Deputy Commissioner also administered

Swachhata Pledge, Non-Violence Pledge and Nasha Mukht Pledge to the participants on the occasion.

Later, the Deputy Commissioner participated in Swachhata activities held at Taxi Stand Regipora and D.C Office Kupwara.

Meanwhile, Swachhata events were held in all Government Offices, Colleges, Schools and Panchayats, municipal areas, Market places, and places of worship in Kupwara district.

Massive cleanliness drives conducted at 4000 places in Ganderbal

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In a remarkable display of community engagement and commitment to Mahatma Gandhi's ideals of cleanliness and sustainability, a massive cleanliness drives over 4000 locations across the district Ganderbal were carried under Swachhata Pakhwada, themed "Ek Tareekh, Ek Ghanta, Ek Saath" here today.

A Shramadaan of one hour was conducted with an aim to make a valuable contribution to our nation in terms of cleanliness of our surroundings, fostering the values of community service and nation building.

During shramadaan of one hour, participants picked up the litter from roads, parks, offices, embankments of Sindh Nallah and other water bodies for disposing it off in an environment friendly manner.

All departments organized swachhata drives across offices, public places of high footfall such as bus stands, tourist spots- Sonamarg, Naranag and Manasbal lake, river fronts, drains and nallahs in both rural and urban areas.

The mega sanitation drive was held in and around the Mini Secretariat Ganderbal under the supervision of Deputy Commissioner, Shyambir which was also attended by Additional District Development Commis-



sioner, Mushtaq Ahmad Simnani, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Mehraj-u-Din Shah and other district officers and officials.

Meanwhile, Municipal Council Ganderbal conducted a cleanliness drive in the town area and the main function was organized at Qamaria Park which was also attended by Deputy Commissioner, President

Municipal Council Ganderbal, EO MC Ganderbal, Councilors and locals.

Earlier, the DC administered Swachhata Pledge among the participants in the lawns of Mini Secretariat Ganderbal and everyone pledged to devote himself for cleanliness and not indulge in littering the environment and making our country neat and clean.

DLSA Kupwara holds cleanliness drive

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Following the directions of Principal District & Sessions Judge Kupwara, Shazia Tabasum, the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) Kupwara today organized a Cleanliness Drive at District Court Complex Kupwara under the banner of 'Swachhata Pakhwada-Swachhata Hi Seva'.

The cleanliness drive which was held from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM witnessed participation of Munsiff/JMIC Kupwara, Mir Altaf; Legal Aid Defense Counsels, DSP HQ Kupwara and SHO PS Kupwara.

Field Functionaries from Municipal Committee Kupwara, Staff Members and PLVs of DLSA also attended the cleanliness drive.



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Massive cleanliness drives across district Kulgam were carried out under Swachhata Pakhwada, themed "Ek Tareekh, Ek Ghanta, Ek Saath".

A Shramadaan of one hour was conducted with an aim to pay sincere tribute to Mahatma Gandhi in terms of cleanliness of our surroundings, fostering the values of community service and nation building.

During shramadaan of one hour, participants picked up the litter from roads, parks, offices, schools, public places, water bodies, etc for disposing it off in an environment friendly manner.

Meanwhile, all departments organized swachhata drives across offices and cleanliness drives were also held at public places such as bus stands, tourist spots, river fronts, drains and nallahs in both rural and urban areas.

Mega sanitation drive was also held in and around the Mini Secretariat Kulgam led by the Additional



Deputy Commissioner Kulgam Viqar Ahmed Giri which was also attended by officers and officials housed in mini-secretariat besides students and sweeping staff

from Municipal Council Kulgam also joined the drive.

Meanwhile, sanitation drives were also held at panchayats, schools, col-

leges, health institutions and all other offices.

Municipalities also carried out special sanitation drives in all 04 municipalities.