

DEO leads impressive SVEEP Campaign in Bonjwah Kishtwar

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As the nation gears up for General Lok Sabha Elections 2024, District Election Officer Kishtwar, Dr. Devansh Yadav spear-headed an impressive Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP) campaign in collaboration with District Election Office, SVEEP Cell, and Education Department.

The successful execution of the campaign was made possible through the coordinated efforts of Deputy DEO Kishtwar, Idrees Lone (District Nodal Officer SVEEP) besides active involvement of all Stakeholders including School Education Department.

This initiative, held at HSS Binoon of Block Bonjwah in district Kishtwar, aimed to generate extensive awareness to foster greater participation in the electoral process.

The awareness campaign featured a painting Competition, rally and Nukkad Natak, drawing enthusiastic participation from school students at HSS Bi-



noon and local artists who delivered impactful performances during the Nukkad Natak.

The rally, resonating with chants advocating for ethical right to vote and highlighting the democratic ethos, commenced from HSS Binoon and culminated in Nali, Bonjwah echoing the message of ethical voting and the imperative of citizen engage-

ment in the democratic process.

During the Painting Competition, students utilized vibrant hues to disseminate messages promoting electoral awareness.

The winners and participants in the painting competition were felicitated on the occasion by DEO in presence of District Information Officer Dr. Kuldeep

Kumar, Tehsildar Bonjwah, Tejinder Singh and Chief Education Officer, R. K. Vesheshta.

Addressing the gathering, the DEO underscored the importance of the SVEEP Campaign in enhancing voter awareness and urged voters to actively participate in the democratic process. He emphasized the significance of the upcoming Lok Sabha Election slated for April 19, 2024, within the Udhampur parliamentary constituency.

He shed light on the pivotal role of citizens in upholding the Model Code of Conduct (MCC) during the election period, urging responsible conduct from all stakeholders.

The DEO urged both new and existing voters to ensure enrollment in the Electoral Register and maintain contact with respective Booth Level Officers (BLOs) and the NVSP portal for seamless electoral participation.

Voter's pledge was also administered by DEO Kishtwar to the participants on the occasion with a commitment to ensure ethical voting.

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The District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) Ganderbal under the aegis of J&K Legal Services Authority today conducted the first Quarterly meeting of the Under Trial Review Committee (UTRC) in District Ganderbal for the quarter of January – March, 2024.

The meeting was held in order to expedite the identification and review of prisoners who are eligible to be considered for release, as well as to accelerate the regular functioning of UTRC and review all eligi-

Chairman DLSA, Ganderbal chairs UTRC meeting



ble under-trial prisoners (UTPs)/Prisoners.

The meeting was chaired by Pr. District and Sessions Judge (PD&SJ), Chairman DLSA Ganderbal, Ritesh Kumar Dubey, with the members of the Under Trial Review Committee

(UTRC). In the meeting, the committee reviewed cases of eligible UTPs/Prisoners shortlisted by the Secretary, DLSA Ganderbal for consideration.

The committee recommended four cases of UTPs/Prisoners and di-

rected Legal Aid Defense Counsels to take necessary steps and file applications/bail applications.

The meeting was attended by Secretary District Legal Services Authority, Ganderbal, Nusrat Ali Hakak; Senior Superintendent of Police, Ganderbal, Sandeep Gupta; Additional Deputy Commissioner Ganderbal, Gulzar Ahmad Khan; Chief Prosecution Officer, Ganderbal, Shafat Ahmad; Officer Incharge, Subsidiary Jail, Dignibal Ganderbal, Deputy Legal Aid Defense Counsel, Ganderbal and Assistant Legal Ad Defense Counsel, Ganderbal.

Market Inspection intensified at Anantnag

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To ensure compliance with market regulations and protect consumer interests during the holy month of Ramadan, a rigorous market inspection was conducted today under the guidance of the Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) Anantnag, Fayaz Ahmad Bandy.

The inspection team comprised Tehsildar Anantnag, EO Municipal Committee Anantnag, and



representatives from the Enforcement Committee of Municipal Committee and officials of Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs.

During the inspection, a thorough assessment was conducted on multiple fronts including pricing accuracy, product quality, hy-

giene standards and licensing compliance. Any discrepancies found during the process were duly documented, and appropriate actions will be taken within the purview of the established legal framework.

The team emphasized the importance of upholding the highest standards of ethics and legality in their operations. Such adherence not only fosters trust within the community but also contributes significantly to the overall prosperity and well-being of the society.

DEO Rajouri chairs Nodal Officers' meeting to review preparedness for Lok Sabha Elections

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District Election Officer, Rajouri, Om Prakash Bhagat, today chaired a meeting with district Nodal Officers to review the preparedness for Lok Sabha Elections 2024.

During the meeting, threadbare discussion was held on training of polling staff, functioning of control rooms, welfare of polling parties, complaints redressal through the control room, implementation of MCMC and MCC as per the guidelines of ECI and other related tasks assigned to the District Nodal Officers.

The District Election Officer exhorted the election team to perform assigned duties with utmost dedication and sincerity.

He emphasized on the paramount importance of meticulous and flawless



preparedness for the smooth conduct of the electoral process. He stressed the need for heightened vigil, transparency, and adherence to ECI guidelines to uphold the sanctity of the democratic process.

During the comprehensive review, the DEO out-

lined the tasks and duties assigned to the Nodal Officers. He directed the officers to exhibit exemplary commitment and diligence in discharging their duties, recognizing their pivotal role in facilitating free, fair, and peaceful elections.

The meeting was attended by the ADDC, Raj

Kumar Thapa; ADC Rajouri, Rajeev Kumar Khajuria; ACR, Mohammad Jhangir Khan; Dy DEO, Shakeel Ahmed; CPO, Maqsood Ahmed; DSEO, Sandeep Sharma; DPO, Mohammad Nawaz Choudhary; DIO NIC Muzaffar Mir and other concerned officers.

Awareness Rally "Run for Democracy," under ongoing SVEEP campaign held in Srinagar

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On the directions of the District Election Officer (DEO) Srinagar, Dr. Bilal Mohi-ud-Din Bhat an

Power shutdown

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Chief Engineer (Distribution) JPDCL, Jammu has informed that the power supply to Rajpura, Mawa, Sanura, BSF, Sherpur, Katal Gujran and adjoining areas will remain affected on March 29 and 30 from 10 am to 3 pm.

Meanwhile, the Superintending Engineer (Distribution) JPDCL, O&M Circle Kathua has informed that the power supply to Hatlimorh, Shastri Nagar, Ram Nagar, Kalibari, Patel Nagar, Shiva Nagar, GMC, DC Office, CTM, Kathua-I, Kathua-II, Kathua-III and adjoining areas will remain affected on March 29 from 9 am to 4 pm.

Similarly, the power supply to SICOP Industrial Area, Old Industry Hatlimorh and its adjoining areas will remain affected on March 31 from 8 am to 1 pm.



awareness Rally, "Run for Democracy," under ongoing SVEEP campaign was organized here today.

The event under the supervision of Nodal Officer SVEEP/AMF Abdul Hamid Fani was held at Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Kothibagh, to instill a sense of responsibility and educate the public, particularly students, about the significance of exercising their vote in a thriving democracy.

The initiative, named "Run for Democracy," brought together a diverse group of participants, including District Education Planning Officer Ms. Anjum Raja, teachers from different education zones, and community members.

The main objective of the "Run for Democracy" awareness rally was to emphasize the importance of democratic participation and the impact individuals

can have through casting their votes.

The event particularly targeted students, aiming to educate them on the significance of exercising their right to vote in a flourishing democracy like India.

During the Rally participants enthusiastically raised awareness by chanting slogans highlighting the value of each citizen's vote. The rally served as a platform to motivate and empower the youth, encouraging them to become active contributors to the democratic process. It aimed to nurture a sense of responsibility among the participants and inspire them to make informed choices in electing their representatives.

The District Election Officer Srinagar applauded the organizers for the conduct of the Awareness Rally and said It is very important in democratic

setup that each individual realizes the significance of their vote and actively exercises it.

On the occasion, Nodal Officer SVEEP/AMF Srinagar, said the awareness rally was organised to engage and educate our community members. Through initiatives like this, we aspire to foster a culture of active participation and responsible citizenship among the people, particularly the students.

*The event received overwhelming support from the participants and the wider Srinagar community. It served as a reminder of the essential role that each citizen plays in shaping the democratic foundation of our nation. As the rally came to an end, participants left with a strong sense of purpose and commitment to exercising their right to vote in the upcoming elections.

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J&K Board of School Education has issued revised date sheets for Annual Regular examination 2023-24 pertaining to Class X, XI, and XII of Hard Zone areas.

There has been change of scheduled time and the examination will be held in two shifts. The examination of 10th Annual Regular (H/Z) has been scheduled w.e.f. 04.04.24 at 10.00 am (Morning shift) while the examination of 12th class (H/Z) has been scheduled w.e.f 08-04-2024 at 2.00 pm (Evening shift). Similarly, 11th class examination of Soft Zone

areas has now been rescheduled from 02-04-2024 at 1.00 pm while 11th class examination of Hard Zone areas shall commence from 22-04-2024 at 10.00 am. The revised schedule has been notified vide notification number F (Acad-C)/Rev/DT/AR/XI-SZ/X-XI-XII-HZ/2024 dated 28-03-2024 which is available on the official website of JKBOSE www.jkbose.nic.in.

As per the notification, the change has been necessitated because of a communique received from Joint Chief Electoral Officer, J&K, Jammu, regarding the schedule for conduct of Lok Sabha Election 2024. There has also been a communication from Na-

tional Testing Agency regarding conduct of Joint Entrance Examination (Main) 2024, session w.e.f. 04 April to 15 April 2024 in addition to scores of representations from the students for rescheduling of JKBOSE exams. The date sheets for the examinations of said classes/zones issued earlier be treated as cancelled, read the notification.

All the stakeholders including Principals, Overall Incharges, Superintendents, exam staff, students and parents have been asked to carefully adhere to the revised schedule. The teachers should appropriately inform their students about the revised dates particularly revised time so

that there is no confusion and the examinees reach the examination centers on the right day and time.

The overall Incharges shall ensure that the right question paper is opened at the right centre and on the right day/time. The Sub/Branch officers of JKBOSE shall be specially responsible for dissemination of revised schedule of examination of Hard zone areas. In case of any confusion or query, the stakeholders can contact nearest JKBOSE office or at JKBOSE helpline number 0191-2953195, 0194-3113091 or Joint Secretary Exam JD on mobile number 9419144203 and Joint Secretary Kashmir on mobile number 8493831545.

SVEEP programme held at MIE Fatehpur

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The Systematic Voters Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP) program was organised today at MIE Higher Secondary School Fatehpur under the guidance of District Election Officer, Om Parkash Bhagat.

Prof Mohammad Iqbal Raina, Nodal Officer SVEEP Rajouri, briefed the



students about the importance of organizing such programmes as these reflect commitment to nurturing responsible citizenship and empowering

youth to make informed decisions. The Voters Awareness Program was designed to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the

electoral process, voting rights, and the importance of active participation in democracy. By empowering our youth with the tools and knowledge to participate in democracy, we are helping to shape a better future for our country.

The program was attended by Dr. Khalid Reyaz, Prof. Ajaz Nazir, and Tanweer Ahmed Chowdhury members of district SVEEP Cell along with the staff and students of MIE Fatehpur.