

Shaurya Int'l Shines in 'Inter District UT Level Badminton Championship'

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Art Awards distribution ceremony held at Kala Kendra

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The Award Distribution Ceremony for the '3-day International Art Exhibition 2024' was held today at the Kala Kendra, Jammu. The event was jointly organized by the Kala Kendra Society in collaboration with Art Express Gujarat. The ceremony was graced by several esteemed personalities.
Prof. Shri Dhar Mishar, Director of Sanskrit University, Jammu Campus, who was the Chief Guest, along with Dr. Javaid Rahi, Secretary, Kala Kendra Society, Jammu, and prominent artists K K Gandhi, Ms. Richa Gupta, and Vikas Dogra, who were also the part of the presidium.
Welcoming the dignitaries and participants, Dr. Javaid Rahi stated that it was a remarkable opportunity for Jammu to host over 50 artists who attended the event in person. He highlighted that the exhibition showcased 150 artworks by 90 artists, representing various states and Union Territories of India, in the G R Santosh Gallery at Kala Kendra. Dr. Rahi emphasized that the objective of the event was to create a platform for artists from Jammu and Kashmir to en-

gage and interact with their counterparts from across the nation.
Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Shri Dhar Mishar congratulated the award winners in categories such as painting, sculpture, and photography. He mentioned that the exhibition served as a unique opportunity for the local artists to experience and learn from the diversity of artistic expressions across the country. He further stressed the need for Kala Kendra to regularly host such exhibitions to enable artists and art enthusiasts to explore high-quality works from different regions of India and even abroad.
Dr. Babita Hada from Art Express Gujarat stated that her organization looks forward to collaborating with Kala Kendra and other local institutions to organize similar events in the future.
A jury comprising K K Gandhi, Ms. Richa Gupta, and Vikas Dogra selected 20 artists for awards under different categories. In the Senior Category, the Best International Artist Award was presented to Amit Solanki, the Best International Art Critic Award to Chintha Venkateshwara, and the International Female Artist Award to

Monika. Consolation prizes were given to Namrita Bhargava, Sonika Wagh, Rebeta Dorich, and Dr. Vishwajit. Additionally, 12 awards were distributed in the Junior and Amateur categories.
The event provided a valuable opportunity for both amateur and professional artists to showcase their talents and engage in meaningful artistic dialogues with peers from different regions. The ceremony concluded with a vote of thanks, marking the success of the exhibition and its contribution to the art culture of the region.

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SLCA J&K under NMBA campaign organized 1-day workshop on Drug Abuse Prevention at GDC, Bishnah

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State Level Coordinating Agency Jammu & Kashmir under Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyaan organized one-day workshop for students of Govt. Degree College, Bishnah on "Drug Abuse Prevention" in collaboration with NISD, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India. Around 105 students and staff members participated in the workshop. Dr. Shalun Sanyal, Principal, GDC Bishnah, Dr. Koushal Kiran, Coordinator, Youth Red Cross Society and other staff members were present on the occasion.
Program initiated with

the introduction of State Level Coordinating Agency and Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyaan Campaign by Ms. Kimi Padhiar. Dr. Rachna Devi, Asst. Professor from Dept. of Psychology, PSCP GCV Gandhi Nagar generated awareness regarding drug abuse prevention in

detail with the help of PowerPoint presentation. Workshop include lectures, interaction sessions, quiz etc.
Principal GDC Bishnah in her speech appreciated the efforts of SLCA J&K Team for visiting the college and conducting the

workshop and for awarding the students and teachers of the college. Program concluded with the vote of thanks by Mr. Deepak Bhati from SLCA J&K. After the program, refreshment and pamphlets were distributed among the students.

Workshop conducted at KCPS by IIT Delhi

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A 2 days' workshop was conducted at KC Public School by Techradiance in collaboration with the IIT Delhi on October 11, 2024. A team of 66 participating KCPS students was trained in medical robotics and AI based robotics by trainers Asim Ali, Abhinav Rathi and Abhishek Pandey.
Out of 66 participants from KCPS, 30 have now been selected to take part in the finale of the event on the basis of their performance in the workshop. The finale will be held in

New Delhi shortly. The workshop offered KCPS students the unique opportunity to learn from

the industry experts and gain hands-on experience in the cutting-edge technology. KCPS students

were mentored by their science teachers Kapil Kashyap and Surabhi Mahajan.

Kashmir SKUAST VC inaugurates state of art - Administrative Block at KVK Gurez

BANDIPORA, OCTOBER 15: The Vice-Chancellor SKUAST-Kashmir, Prof Nazir Ahmad Ganai inaugurated the State of art - Administrative Block at KVK Gurez (Bandipora-II).



The event was attended by Director Extension, Prof Dil Mohammad Mukhdoomi, Director Research Cum Director (P&M), Prof Haroon Rashid Naik, Estates Officer, local administration, officers of the Development Departments, progressive farmers, trainees and entrepreneurs besides Head and all scientific/ supporting staff of KVK Gurez and MAR&E, Izmarg

The Vice-Chancellor while inaugurating the infrastructure located under the foothills of famous Habba-Khatoon Hill at Dawar informed that the given set-up will serve as the centre of excellence to train the farmers in frontier areas, inculcate skill and knowledge to rural youth through capacity building programmes and serve as the model for various demonstrations in respect of agriculture and allied sectors at Gurez valley.
We are committed to keep Gurez pesticide free and promote sustainable Agriculture, promote the Niche crops including Kala Zeera, Potato, Buckwheat, Rajmash, Honey etc and preserve local biodiversity including Gurezi Sheep, informed the Vice-Chancellor.
He further added that the Gurez is the brand for or-

ganic produce and, therefore, utmost care must be taken for the treatment and control of insect, pests or diseases through organic approaches and prototypes designed by the University to promote quality of life and ensure profitability in Agriculture.
During the inspection of different stalls at the Kendra, the Vice-Chancellor was informed that the Division of LPT, FVSc & AH Shuhama in collaboration with KVK Gurez has come up with HADP project aimed at inculcating knowledge through trainings followed by hand-holding support in the form of processing tools and techniques (Paddle Operated Charkha) besides facilitation in branding and marking of woollen prod-

ucts.
The chief guest witnessed that the group has come-up with designing of different products developed from local Gurezi sheep and suggested for further improvement, fine tuning, desired dimensions to develop more attractive products to earn a good market and also desired for identification and preservation of local germplasm of niche crops to facilitate revival programmes.
The Director Extension in his remarks extended gratitude to the Vice-Chancellor for converting support from ATARI, ICAR (GoI) Zone-I into reality while the building was completed in a specified time frame at a far-flung area of Gurez.
Dr. Hilal Ahmad Malik

I/c Head KVK Gurez / MAR&E Izmarg highlighted the activities.
On this occasion, an Extension folder entitled, "Promotion of High Value Vegetable crops to Enhance Nutritional Security and Income Generation in Gurez Valley" was also released by the chief guest.
Thereafter, the Vice-Chancellor also had a brief meeting with the Commanding officer, 20 Battalion, Rana, Izmarg (Gurez) to discuss the bilateral support for growth and development of Agriculture & Allied sectors in the area.
At the end, the Vice-Chancellor directed for more synergy with the Line Departments for overall growth and development of the agriculture sector in Gurez valley.

Rahul, Kharge, Priyanka to attend Omar Abdullah's swearing-in ceremony in Srinagar

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Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi, Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge and party general secretary Priyanka Gandhi are scheduled to attend the oath-taking ceremony of CM-elect Omar Abdullah in Srinagar on Wednesday, a senior party leader said.
The stage is set for Abdullah to be sworn in as the first chief minister of the Union Territory of Jammu

and Kashmir after the National Conference-Congress alliance won the maiden assembly elections held after the abrogation of Article 370.
The oath of office and secrecy will also be administered to Abdullah's chosen

ministers by J&K Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha at 11.30 am at the Sher-i-Kashmir International Convention Centre (SKICC).
"Rahul Gandhi, Kharge ji, and Priyanka ji are scheduled to participate in

the oath ceremony tomorrow," a senior Congress leader said.
He said that some chief ministers and representatives of some states will also attend the event.
The party high command will convey the decision on ministerial berths for Congress MLAs in the new government, he added.
Congress appointed Ghulam Ahmad Mir as its Legislature Party leader in Jammu and Kashmir on Tuesday.
Security has been tightened around the venue of the swearing-in ceremony.

Elon Musk takes on Indian billionaires over satellite spectrum allocation

NEW DELHI OCT 15: The fight over how India should allocate satellite broadband spectrum intensified on Tuesday as Elon Musk said any move by New Delhi to auction it, rather than allocate it, would be "unprecedented", challenging the position of rival billionaires.



In what is seen as a battle between billionaires, the methodology of awarding spectrum for satellite services in India - a market set to grow 36% a year to reach \$1.9 billion by 2030 - has been a contentious issue since last year.
Musk's Starlink argues administrative allotment of licences is in line with a global trend, while India's Reliance, led by billionaire Mukesh Ambani, says an auction is needed for a level playing field.
On Sunday, Reuters was first to report that Reliance has challenged the Indian

telecom regulator's consultation process that signals home satellite broadband spectrum should be allocated, not auctioned, calling for it to start again.
Musk late on Monday reacted to the Reuters story, writing on X that any decision to auction "would be unprecedented".
"This spectrum was long designated by the ITU as shared spectrum for satellites," he said, referring to the International Telecom-

munication Union (ITU), a U.N. agency for digital technology.
India is a member of the ITU and signatory to its treaty that regulates satellite spectrum and advocates that allocation must be done "rationally, efficiently and economically" as it's a "limited natural resource".
Sunil Mittal, co-chair of global satellite group Eutelsat, which has partnered with India's telecom operator Bharti Airtel, voiced

support for the auction route on Tuesday.
"Satellite companies who have ambitions to come into urban areas, serving elite retail customers, just need to take the telecom licenses like everybody else ... they need to buy the spectrum as telecom companies buy," Mittal, who is also the chair of Airtel, said at a New Delhi event.
Earlier in 2023, both Eutelsat unit OneWeb and Airtel had voiced concerns about auctioning the spectrum in their submissions to the Indian government.
An Indian government source told Reuters on Sunday the regulator was following due process of consultation.
Musk's Starlink and some global peers like Amazon's Project Kuiper back an administrative allocation, saying spectrum is a natural resource that should be shared by companies.

ONGC explores mini-LNG plants for efficient gas transportation

NEW DELHI, OCT 15: State-owned Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) is looking to set up mini-LNG plants to evacuate natural gas from wells located in areas that are not connected with pipelines.

The firm has identified five sites in Andhra Pradesh, Jharkhand and Gujarat for setting up mini plants at wellhead that will convert the gas pumped out from under the ground into liquefied natural gas

(LNG) by supercooling it to minus 160 degrees celsius. This LNG will be loaded on cryogenic trucks and transported to the nearest pipeline where it will be reconverted into its gaseous state and pumped into the

network for supply to users like power plants, fertilizer units or city gas retailers. ONGC has floated a tender seeking manufacturers/service providers to tap stranded natural gas, according to the tender.