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Grand Sanskrit Kutumb Sammelan, Rang Utsav organised at Doda

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A grand Sanskrit Kutumb Sammelan and Rang Utsav was organized today in Doda bringing together Sanskrit scholars, Acharyas and members from the community to celebrate India's rich cultural and linguistic heritage.

The programme was attended by Deputy Commissioner (DC) Krishan Lal, who inaugurated the event by lighting the ceremonial lamp and offering floral tributes to Bharat Mata, symbolizing respect for the nation's cultural roots and traditions.

The DC appreciated the dedicated efforts of the organizing team for promoting Sanskrit and preserving traditional values through such meaningful initiatives. He emphasized that Sanskrit, as one of the world's oldest languages,



continues to serve as a vital link to India's philosophical, spiritual and cultural legacy.

Several renowned San-

skrit Acharyas and scholars participated in the programme and delivered insightful deliberations highlighting the significance of

Sanskrit in shaping India's civilizational identity and fostering moral and cultural values among the younger generation.

Dy Chief Minister inspects development works in Nowshera Sub Division

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Deputy Chief Minister, Surinder Choudhary, today held public interaction meetings at Bajora, Babain, Sunderbani, Hanjana and Dharat areas of Nowshera Sub Division and listened to the grievances and demands of the local residents.

During the daylong tour, the Deputy Chief Minister conducted spot inspection of ongoing developmental projects in Nowshera and adjoining areas.

During the interaction, the people projected issues related to road connectivity, drinking water supply, electricity, healthcare facilities and other developmental concerns.

The Deputy Chief Minister assured the public that all their genuine issues would be taken up with the concerned departments for prompt redress.

The Deputy Chief Minis-



ter also issued on-the-spot directions to the officers to ensure timely resolution of public grievances. He stressed the need for effective coordination among the departments to address the concerns of the people.

Later, the Deputy Chief Minister inspected the ongoing construction work on Dak Bungalow at Nowshera and reviewed the pace and quality of work being exe-

cuted by the concerned department. He directed the executing agency to ensure completion of the project within the stipulated time-frame while maintaining quality standards.

He also inspected the balance work on the Conference Hall at Lamberi and reviewed the progress achieved so far. The officers were instructed to expedite the remaining works so that

the facility is made operational at the earliest for public and administrative use.

The Deputy Chief Minister further visited the MCH Lamberi to assess the healthcare infrastructure and the facilities being provided to the patients. He emphasized further strengthening of healthcare services to ensure better medical care for the local population.

ADC reviews snow clearance, restoration work on Bharderwah-Chamba Road

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Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) Bharderwah, Sunil Kumar Bhutyal conducted an extensive visit to Khani Top and adjoining areas including Thanalla, Musdi Nallah and Dhuru Nallah to assess the ongoing snow clearance work and permanent restoration of the Bharderwah-Chamba Road.

The ADC directed the concerned departments to put in extra efforts to restore traffic movement on the strategic road.

The visit was conducted in the presence of AE R&B Muneeb Mir and other officials from the PWD Department and engineers from the Mechanical Department.

The ADC emphasized the importance of maintaining connectivity, especially during the winter season and instructed officials to remain vigilant and prepared for any emergency situa-



tion. Interacting with the field staff, the ADC appreciated

their efforts in challenging weather conditions and stressed upon timely com-

pletion of restoration works to avoid inconvenience to commuters.

Grand Celebration of Devotion, Dignity & Social Unity Dedicated to 'Mahajan Mukutmani'

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On the sacred occasion of the 82nd death anniversary of the revered Sher-e-Duggar, Lala Hansraj Mahajan Ji, a grand and dignified tribute ceremony was organized by the Akhil Bharatiya Mahajan Biradari Sangh at the auditorium of Government Polytechnic College, Vikram Chowk, Jammu. Representatives from 63 Mahajan biradaris and organizations participated in this historic gathering, demonstrating their unity and deep reverence.

The public tribute ceremony commenced with the sacred chanting of the Gayatri Mantra three times, followed by the ceremonial lighting of the lamp to invoke divine blessings. During the program, the heads of all participating Mahajan biradaris offered floral tributes to Lala Ji's portrait and paid their heartfelt respects. The dignitaries and esteemed members present in the auditorium were formally welcomed through a welcome address delivered by Shri Harinder Gupta Ji.

The Founder Chairman of Akhil Bharatiya Mahajan Biradari Sangh, Shri Ma-



hesh Gupta, highlighted the tireless social service, visionary leadership, and historic contributions of Lala Hansraj Mahajan Ji. He urged the Sangh to draw inspiration from his ideals and elaborated upon the significant and historic aspects associated with the conduct of this event.

It is particularly noteworthy that the Mahajan community, with unanimous consent and widespread support, conferred upon their revered Lala Hansraj Mahajan Ji the prestigious title of "Mahajan Mukutmani." The proposal for this honor was mooted by

Chairman Mahesh Gupta on behalf of the Akhil Bharatiya Mahajan Biradari Sangh and was approved by the heads and office bearers of 63 Mahajan biradaris and organizations representing nearly five lakh people. This historic moment was exceptional, as perhaps for the first time, various sub-groups of a community assembled on a single platform to bestow such a distinguished title upon their great personality.

The vote of thanks was presented by Shri Bharat Bhushan Langar Ji. The stage proceedings were conducted in a unique, disci-

plined, and impressive manner by Vice Chairman Shri Dinesh Gupta, which greatly captivated the audience.

On this occasion, 14 biradaris were honored for their excellent management of monthly meetings and social gatherings. Additionally, five dedicated associates who have been rendering continuous outstanding service to the Akhil Bharatiya Mahajan Biradari Sangh were conferred with the title of "Mahajan-Soumitra."

The ceremony concluded gracefully with the National Anthem.

DC Kishtwar reviews drug control measures Calls for stronger action, generating mass awareness

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The District-Level NCORD (Narco Coordination Centre) Committee meeting was convened today to review the measures taken to combat drug abuse in the district and to strengthen the ongoing anti-drug initiatives in the District.

Chaired by Deputy Commissioner Pankaj Kumar Sharma, the meeting focused on reinforcing the drug de-addiction framework and assessing the progress achieved under the Information, Education and Communication (IEC) campaign being implemented as part of the Nasha Mukh Bharat Abhiyan.

At the outset, District Social Welfare Officer Tariq Parveez Qazi presented the Action Taken Report (ATR) outlining the progress made on the decisions taken during the previous NCORD meeting.

The Deputy Commissioner conducted a comprehensive review of the prevailing drug abuse scenario in the district. He sought detailed inputs regarding vulnerable areas, affected age groups and identified



hotspots requiring immediate attention.

He also reviewed the preventive, rehabilitation and enforcement measures being undertaken by the stakeholder departments to curb the menace of drugs.

Emphasizing the importance of collective responsibility and coordinated action, the Deputy Commissioner directed the Heads of Departments (HoDs) to ensure that all nominated resource persons and concerned officers and officials actively participate in the ongoing IEC campaign against drug abuse under the Nasha Mukh Bharat Abhiyan.

He cautioned that any instance of non-compliance or absenteeism in the future would be viewed seriously

and dealt with accordingly. He further directed to declare remaining schools as Tobacco-Free Zones in strict adherence to TOFEI guidelines.

To strengthen grassroots-level interventions, the Deputy Commissioner directed all Sub-Divisional Magistrates and Tehsildars, who head the Sub-Division and Tehsil-Level Committees respectively, to declare Panchayats as "Nasha Mukh" strictly in accordance with the prescribed Standard Operating Procedure (SoP), ensuring proper verification and community involvement.

Highlighting the need for strict monitoring and surveillance, the DC ordered the installation of CCTV cameras in identified

hotspots across the district. He also stressed the importance of regular monitoring of suspicious drug consignments, particularly those routed through courier services.

The meeting was attended by ADC Pawan Kotwal, PO ICDS Dr. Rishi Kumar Sharma, SDM Dr. Amit Kumar, ACD Manoj Kumar, ARTO Tasleem Wani, ALC Mamta Sudershan, Dy. SP Hqrs Dr. Ishan Gupta, DFO Mahesh Thakur, DFO Vishal Chaudhary, CAO Kushal Chandel, CEO Sanjay Dogra, Inspector, Excise and Taxation Department, Drugs Inspector, Drugs and Food Control Kishtwar, Nodal Officer ATF Dr. Hariss, along with other officers and officials of the concerned departments.

DC Ramban inspects assets established under HADP

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Deputy Commissioner Ramban Mohammad Alyas Khan today conducted a comprehensive inspection of assets established under the Holistic Agriculture Development Programme (HADP) in Ramban, with a special focus on the Hi-Tech facility set up at Karol.

Senior Superintendent of Police Arun Gupta; Additional Deputy Commissioner Varunjeet Singh Charak and Sub-Divisional Agriculture Officer (SDAO) accompanied the Deputy Commissioner.

During the visit, the Deputy Commissioner inspected the infrastructure and operational components of the Hi-Tech unit aimed at promoting modern and scientific agricultural practices in the district.

The Deputy Commis-



sioner reviewed the functioning of the unit and emphasized the importance of optimum utilization of resources. He directed the concerned officers to ensure timely and effective implementation of all components of the programme.

Stressing the need to promote innovative farming techniques, he in-

structed the Agriculture Department to intensify field outreach, provide regular training and organize awareness programmes to enable farmers to fully leverage the benefits of the Hi-Tech initiatives.

Earlier, Chief Agriculture Officer (CAO) Dr Vinay Kumar Jandial briefed the Deputy Com-

missioner in detail about the objectives, implementation strategy and expected outcomes of the Hi-Tech project. He informed that the facility has been established to introduce advanced technologies, improve crop productivity, enhance quality output and provide technical guidance to farmers.