

3-Day Phase-I training for Census 2027 concludes at Udhampur

UDHAMPUR, APRIL 04: District Administration Udhampur-Principal Census Office in collaboration with the Directorate of Census Operations J&K, successfully conducted the three-day training programme for designated officers and officials for Census 2027Phase-I.

On the final day, the training focused on hands-on practice of the Census Management & Monitoring System (CMMS) and HLBC web application. The programme was meant for District, Sub-Divisional and Charge Census Officers.

The training was held under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner Principal Census Officer, Minga Sherpa, Resource persons from the Directorate of Census Operations J&K, including Nimrat Kour Nodal Officer, Meenakshi Pandit, Ajit Raj and Anil Kumar District Coordinator, conducted the sessions.

During the programme, participants were sensitized to their role and responsibilities, key concepts of House Listing Operations and use of digital platforms like CMMS and HLBC portal.



While addressing the participants, the District Census Officer (ADC) Prem Singh emphasized the importance of coordination among field staff for smooth conduct of census operations. He urged all officers to perform their duties with dedication and accuracy. The training programme

was attended by Additional District Census Officer DSEO Darshan Kumar, Sub-Divisional Census Officers SDMs, Assistant Commissioner Revenue, DIO NIC Udhampur, Charge Census Officers Tehsildars, CEO/EO MCs and other officials associated with census operations.

J&K Bank commissions ATM at Khawas

RAJOURI, APR 4: Continuing its efforts to enhance digital banking access, J&K Bank on Saturday commissioned a new ATM at Aspirational Block Khawas in Rajouri district.

The ATM was inaugurated by Deputy Advisor, NITI Aayog, Dr. Muniraju, in the presence of Additional District Development Commissioner Rajouri, Malikzada Sheraz, Lead District Manager Ravinder Singh Nagra, bank officials, public representatives and local customers. MLA Budhal Javed Iqbal and DDC Rajouri Abhishek Sharma joined the ?????? through virtual mode.

Speaking on the occasion, the dignitaries appreciated the bank's initiatives in expanding digital banking infrastructure in remote areas, stating that such steps are crucial for promoting financial inclusion and ensuring doorstep access to modern banking services in aspirational blocks. They also encouraged the public to make



optimal use of digital banking facilities. The newly installed ATM is expected to significantly benefit the local population by improving access to convenient banking services in the area.

With this addition, the total num-

ber of ATMs in the Rajouri Zone, covering Rajouri and Poonch districts, has risen to 85. The attendees lauded the bank's continued commitment towards enhancing customer convenience and strengthening banking outreach in underserved regions.

Memorial Seminar celebrates Punjabi Language, Literary Excellence at Jammu

JAMMU, APRIL 04: Dr. Gurcharan Singh Gulshan Trust, in collaboration with the Jammu and Kashmir Academy of Art, Culture and Languages, today organized the 3rd Memorial Gulshan Seminar at K.L. Saigal Hall, Jammu, bringing together eminent Punjabi literary personalities, scholars, and enthusiastic young learners in a vibrant celebration of language and literature.

The seminar was presided over by noted Sahitya Akademi Awardee writer Khalid Hussain, while distinguished academician Prof. Surinder Singh Seerat graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. The presidium also included prominent literary and cultural figures such as Ajit Singh Mastana, Dr. Baljit Singh Raina, Dr. Arvinder Singh Amn, Popinder Singh Paras, Editor Sheeraza Punjabi and Er. Satbir Singh Kukal.



The programme prominently showcased the literary talents and enthusiasm of students from Guru Gobind Singh Public Higher Secondary School, Kunjwani, and Guru Harkrishan Public School, Nanak Nagar. Speaking on the seminar theme, Dr. Surinder Singh Kukal highlighted the Trust's mission to promote and preserve the Punjabi mother tongue while addressing contemporary linguistic chal-

lenges. In his presidential address, Khalid Hussain emphasized the importance of such literary gatherings and expressed gratitude to the organizers for fostering a culture of literature and language. On the occasion, he was also honoured with a Lifetime Achievement Award by the Trust in recognition of his immense contribution to literature. Chief Guest Prof. Seerat appreciated the initiative,

stating that such programmes play a crucial role in nurturing cultural and linguistic awareness among the younger generation.

Earlier, Popinder Singh Paras, Editor Sheeraza Punjabi, formally welcomed the guests and underlined the importance of engaging youth in literary pursuits, acknowledging the vital role of educators in cultivating literary sensibilities.

Training Programme on Census 2027 Phase-I concludes at Rajouri

RAJOURI, APRIL 4:

A three-day training programme for Sub-Divisional Census Officers and Charge Census Officers, focusing on Phase-I (House Listing & Housing Census - HLOs) of Census 2027, concluded successfully here today.

The training was coordinated by the District Statistics & Evaluation Office, under the overall supervision of the DC (Principal Census Officer) Abhishek Sharma.

The programme was co-

ordinated by Assistant Director (Nodal Officer for District Rajouri). Experts from the Directorate of Census Operations Assistant Director (Nodal Officer for District Rajouri) Sunil Kumar; District Coordinator Rahul Kumar and Divyendu Pratap Singh served as key resource persons.

The sessions were aimed at enhancing participants' understanding of census procedures, data collection methodologies, and operational guidelines related to Census 2027. The resource

persons conducted the sessions effectively, ensuring clarity on all critical aspects of the forthcoming House Listing and Housing Census activities.

Alongside theoretical inputs, practical and hands-on training was provided on the test CMMS portal, HLBC portal, and Self Enumeration portal. Participants were given live demonstrations and guided exercises to familiarize them with the functionalities of these digital platforms, enabling them to efficiently manage real-

time data entry, monitoring and overall census operations.

The participants actively engaged in the sessions and expressed satisfaction with the quality and utility of the training programme. The initiative is expected to significantly enhance the preparedness and efficiency of field-level functionaries in the district. The successful conclusion of the training programme marks a significant step towards ensuring the smooth, accurate and effective conduct of Census 2027 in District Rajouri.

DEO Kathua inspects special camps for Panchayat Electoral roll revision

HIMALAYAN MAIL NEWS JAMMU, APR 04

District Election Officer (Deputy Commissioner Kathua) Rajesh Sharma today reviewed the ongoing special camps being organised for Summary Revision of Panchayat Electoral Rolls at village Changran and Badala.

The camps are being held at designated polling stations for up-dation and inclusion of eligible voters. The DEO interacted with field functionaries and reviewed the arrangements for facilitating smooth enrolment and correction of entries.

Emphasizing the importance of the exercise, the DEO directed the staff to ensure 100 percent inclusion of all eligible voters in the Panchayat electoral rolls. He clarified that the Pan-



chayat electoral rolls are separate from the Assembly electoral rolls and urged eligible residents to verify and ensure their enrolment in the Panchayat voter list.

He informed that photo identity cards shall be issued to voters enrolled in the Panchayat electoral

rolls. Rajesh Sharma appealed to the public to actively participate in the ongoing special camps being held across polling stations. He also informed that a door-to-door verification and enrolment drive shall also be conducted during the revision period to en-

sure wider coverage.

Citizens were advised to carry requisite documentary proof while visiting the camps to facilitate hassle-free registration.

By DEO Nagesh Singh and other election staff accompanied the DEO during the visit.

Joy of hearing returns to a Young Girl's World

DC Rajouri's support restores aural faculty of 11 yr Child

HIMALAYAN MAIL NEWS JAMMU, APR 04

In a heartwarming story of resilience and collective compassion, an 11-year-old girl has rediscovered the joy of sound, thanks to the timely intervention of the Deputy Commissioner Abhishek Sharma.

Born with hearing impairment, the child's life had transformed a few years ago when she received a cochlear implant that enabled her to hear, learn and communicate with the world around her. However, fate dealt a harsh blow when the device stopped functioning over the past year, pushing her back into silence. With her father working as a daily wage labourer and her mother employed as a



house help, arranging funds for repairing or replacing the device was beyond the family's reach.

Understanding the gravity of the situation, the DC stepped in to extend financial support. With additional assistance from Promise Bank and coordinated efforts of the Social

Welfare Department, the process of restoring her hearing device was taken up on priority.

The moment her device was successfully activated marked an emotional and joyous occasion for the child and her family. The return of sound brought back not just hearing, but

hope, confidence and a renewed connection with life.

In a touching gesture, the girl visited the DC Office Rajouri to personally express her gratitude to the Deputy Commissioner. During an interaction with the girl, the DC allowed her to sit on his chair—an inspiring moment symbolizing encouragement, care and inclusion.

The child also extended her heartfelt thanks to District Social Welfare Officer Abdul Raheem and all stakeholders who played a role in transforming her life.

This success story stands as a testament to how empathetic governance, community support and timely intervention can make a meaningful difference in the lives of those in need.



STOP...!
MOSQUITO BREEDING
PREVENT MALARIA, DENGUE & CHIKUNGUNYA

- Do not allow water to stagnate in and around your surroundings.
- Keep water tanks and other water containers tightly covered with lids.
- Get your Blood tested from Govt. Hospital/Health Worker in case of fever with chills, rigors and headache.
- Empty water coolers once in a week.
- Discard/destroy Junk items like old tyres etc.
- Empty air coolers, drums, flower pots and birds bath weekly.
- Use mosquito repellent creams and Bed nets while sleeping.
- Use netted screens on doors and windows.
- Wear full body clothes to prevent mosquito bites.
- Improve basic sanitation.

Symptoms

- **Dengue:** High fever, frontal headache, pain behind the eyes worsening with eye movement, muscle & joint pain, rash on the body, pain abdomen, nausea, vomiting, bleeding and low BP in severe cases.
- **Chikungunya:** Fever, joint pain, muscular pain, fatigue, headache, rash.
- **Malaria:** High grade fever with chills, sweating, headache, vomiting, convulsions, weakness.

Visit nearby Health Institution if any of above diseases is suspected. Investigations & Treatment are free of cost in Govt. institutions



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