

ADC Bhaderwah extends Eid-ul-Adha greetings; Administration distributes sweets among children

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The festival of Eid-ul-Adha was celebrated with great enthusiasm and religious fervour in Bhaderwah as a large gathering of the Muslim community offered special Eid prayers at Eidgah Bhaderwah this morning.

The congregational prayers were led by the Imam of Jamia Masjid Bhaderwah and witnessed the presence of Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) Bhaderwah, Sunil Kumar Bhutyal.

On the auspicious occasion of Eid-ul-Adha, ADC Bhaderwah extended warm greetings to the people and conveyed wishes of peace, brotherhood and communal harmony.

In his message, the ADC highlighted the importance of sacrifice, compassion and sharing happiness with the needy. He appealed to the people to celebrate the holy festival with religious zeal, unity, mutual respect and enthusiasm while praying for universal peace, prosperity and stability.

On the sacred festival of



Eid, the district administration along with police officers distributed sweets and chocolates among children to spread joy and festive spirit. The initiative was carried out in the presence of Assistant Superintendent of Police (ASP) Bhaderwah Vinod Sharma, Sub-division Police Officer (SDPO) Bhaderwah Naveed Shoket Qazi, Station House Officer (SHO) Bhaderwah Harjeet Singh and Naib Tehsildar (NT) Bhaderwah Parampreet Singh. The officers interacted with children and locals, extending Eid greetings and emphasizing the values of love, peace and communal brotherhood associated with the festival.

Eid-ul-Azha celebrated with religious fervour and communal harmony in Poonch

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Eid-ul-Azha was celebrated across Poonch district with great religious fervour, enthusiasm and communal harmony.

On the auspicious occasion of Eid-ul-Azha, Deputy Commissioner Poonch, Ashok Kumar Sharma and Senior Superintendent of Police Poonch, Shafqat Hussain Bhat along with officers from Police and Civil Administration, religious heads, prominent citizens and members of the public gathered at the Eidgah to participate in the celebrations and extend festive greetings.

The dignitaries interacted with the people and exchanged warm Eid greetings. Sweets were distributed among the attendees, symbolising the spirit of brotherhood, love and unity. The atmosphere at the Eidgah reflected communal harmony and togetherness as people embraced one another and celebrated the festival with joy and happiness.

Special Eid prayers were



offered at the Eidgah where a large number of devotees from various villages and areas of Poonch district participated with religious devotion. After offering prayers, people greeted each other and prayed for prosperity, peace and well-being of the society. Deputy Commissioner Poonch Ashok Kumar Sharma and SSP Poonch Shafqat Hussain Bhat extended heartfelt Eid-ul-Azha greetings to the people and prayed for lasting peace, communal harmony and prosperity in the district. They also appreciated the spirit of unity and brotherhood displayed by the people during the celebrations. The festival was concluded peacefully with people celebrating the occasion in a spirit of mutual respect, harmony and happiness.

DG National Cadet Corps visits to Leh



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Director General National Cadet Corps Lt Gen Virendra Vats, YSM, SM, VSM, visited 1 Ladakh Battalion NCC, Leh, during the ongoing Combined Annual Training Camp (CATC) being conducted from 19 May to 28 May 26 for 350 NCC cadets at Ladakh Scouts Regimental Centre, Gupuk, Leh.

The DG NCC called on the Hon'ble Lt Governor UT, Ladakh Shri Vinai Kumar Saxena and the GOC, 14 Corps, Lt Gen Hitesh Bhalla, SC**, SM, VSM to discuss matters related to youth development, increasing NCC footprints all across UT, Ladakh and strengthening infrastructure in the region.

The DG NCC also visited the ongoing CATC being organised by 1 Ladakh Bn NCC, Leh, interacted with

NCC cadets drawn from various educational institutions of Leh-Ladakh. While interacting with the cadets, he lauded their enthusiasm, discipline and commitment towards nation-building. He applauded the training being imparted by the NCC Team Leh and further motivated the cadets to actively participate in various NCC camps of national repute and contributing towards nation-building. He also felicitated

outstanding ANOs & NCC cadets for their exemplary performance and achievements in various NCC activities.

The DG NCC further visited the under-construction Ladakh NCC Training Academy at Phyang, Leh. He reviewed and monitored the progress of ongoing construction works. He emphasized timely completion of the project, which is expected to significantly enhance training facilities and opportunities for NCC cadets in the Ladakh region.

The visit highlighted the continued commitment of NCC towards Empowering Youth in remote and border areas and fostering leadership, discipline, and patriotism among the younger generation by grooming them as Future Leaders. He stressed that in the context of emerging security dynamics, technological advancements and the national vision of Viksitbharat@2047, Ladakh NCC Training Academy at Phyang will emerge as Centre of excellence wherein NCC cadets training will be dynamic, future-ready and mission-oriented.

Eid-ul-Adha celebrated with religious fervor across Ramban

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Eid-ul-Adha was celebrated with great religious fervor and festive spirit across District Ramban as people from all walks of life gathered at mosques and Eidgahs to offer special prayers and mark the auspicious occasion with devotion, brotherhood and communal harmony.

The largest congregations were witnessed at Jamia Masjid Sharif Ramban and Eidgahs in Banihal, Gool and Batote, where hundreds of devotees offered Namaz-e-Eid and prayed for peace, prosperity and the well-being of the Union Territory and the nation.

Deputy Commissioner Ramban, Mohammad Alyas Khan, extended warm Eid greetings to the people and stated that such sacred occasions strengthen the values of unity, mutual respect, compassion and communal harmony in society. Senior officers from the civil and police administration also



conveyed their heartfelt wishes to the Muslim community on this holy occasion. At Ramban, MLA Ramban, Arjun Singh Raju also extended Eid-ul-Adha greetings to the people and wished peace, prosperity and happiness for every household in the Ramban. Meanwhile, SSP Ramban Arun Gupta, ADC Ramban Varunjeet Singh Charak, Additional SP Mujeeb-ur-Rehman, Tehsildar Ramban Deep Kumar and other senior officers were also present on the occasion. Senior officials visited major congregational sites to participate in the celebrations and oversee the peaceful conduct of the festival. The District and Police Administration had made elaborate arrangements, including adequate security, traffic regulation, sanitation, drinking water supply and other essential amenities to ensure smooth and safe observance of Eid-ul-Adha across the district. Besides Ramban town, Eid prayers were also offered at various mosques and Eidgahs in surrounding areas including Jamia Masjid Maitra, Karol, Chandrog, Upper Ramban, Banihal, Sangaldan, Ramsoo, Ukhral, Batote, Gool and Rajgrah. The festival was marked by an atmosphere of spiritual reflection, joy and communal togetherness throughout the district.

CUJ organises International Conference 'Climate Samvaad 2026', Inks MoU for Bharat Climate Observation Network Site in Collaboration with IITM Pune

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Under the dynamic leadership of Honorable Vice Chancellor Prof. Sanjeev Jain, and with the blessings and unwavering support of Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh Ji, the Central University of Jammu (CUJammu), in collaboration with Tribhuvan University, Nepal, organized the three-day international conference, "CLIMATE SAMVAAD 2026: A Stride Towards Climate Resilient Society," from 25th - 27th May, 2026. The inaugural sessions featured a gathering of eminent environmental and academic dignitaries where Prof. Yashwant Singh, Registrar, CUJammu, warmly welcomed the national and international delegates, setting an optimistic tone for the collaborative future. Chief Guest Prof. Deepak Aryal, Former Vice Chancellor, Tribhuvan University, Nepal delivered a compelling address highlighting the shared climate vulnerabilities across the borders of India and Nepal. Guest of Honor Dr.

Sudesh Yadav (Director, CSIR-IHBT, Palampur) and Sh. Vasu Yadav, IFS (Chairman, JKPCC) emphasized the urgent need to operationalize scientific data into practice.

The landmark event was further distinguished by a historic, Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signing ceremony between Central University of Jammu and the Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), Pune (under the Ministry of Earth Sciences, Govt. of India) to advance collaborative efforts in climate and atmospheric sciences. This strategic partnership will lead to establishment of a premier long-term Climate Observation Site under the Bharat Climate Observation Network (BCON) program at CUJammu's Himalayan High Altitude Atmospheric and Climate Research (H2A2CR) Centre, located at an altitude of approximately 2250m amsl in Village Mandlote, District Udhampur, J&K.

The agreement was signed by Dr. A. Suryachandra Rao, Director, IITM, Pune, and Prof. Sanjeev Jain, VC, CUJammu, in



the presence of senior scientists Dr. Suvarna Fadnavis, Dr. Anoop Mahajan and Dr. Yogesh Tiwari from IITM.

BCON is a national observational initiative conceptualised and implemented by IITM under the Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES), GoI, to develop a long-term, high-precision climate monitoring framework across the country. The network is designed to systematically collect continuous, high-quality measurements of essential

climate variables across diverse geographical regions, from coastal and urban areas to remote and high-altitude locations. The integration of the H2A2CR Centre into BCON significantly enhances the network's coverage in the Himalayan region, which is highly sensitive to climate variability and change.

While signing the MoU, Dr. A Suryachandra Rao expressed immense optimism regarding this MoU, emphasizing its role

within the wider framework of national climate resilience. In his presidential address, Prof. Sanjeev Jain, shared his vision of positioning Jammu & Kashmir at the forefront of global climate change mitigation and academic exchange, thanking the administration and leadership for making this collaboration possible.

Dr. Shweta Yadav (Associate Dean, International Affairs & Convener) presented formal Vote of Thanks and expressed

deep gratitude to the outstanding gathering for making Climate Samvaad 2026 a great success. She thanked MoES and ANRF for providing financial support to this conference. Dr. Yadav as Incharge of H2A2CR Centre welcomed the BCON collaboration with IITM and thanked leaders of both institutes for planning to make H2A2CR Centre as first functional BCON site in India. An incredible galaxy of subject experts, leading scientists, and academicians gathered in this Samvaad to deliver specialized lectures, panel insights, and keynotes.

The technical sessions were anchored by high-caliber domain specialists, with inaugural lectures by Prof. Deepak Aryal (Former Vice Chancellor, Tribhuvan University, Nepal), an authority on Himalayan meteorology, who set the scientific benchmark and Dr. Sudesh Yadav (Director, IHBT Palampur), providing deep insights into ecological adaptation and bio-resource management. The roster got further enriched by a distinguished list of speakers including Sh. Amitabh Sinha

(Deputy Editor, Indian Express) and Dr. Vishnu Pandey, Executive Director, Centre for International Relations, Tribhuvan University, Nepal. Technical sessions included Prof. Namrata Sharma, University of Jammu, Dr. Sayantan Sarkar, IIT Mandi, Dr. Shyamashree Dasgupta, IIT Mandi, Dr. Raju Attada, IISER Mohali, Dr. Ankit Agarwal, IIT, Roorkee, Dr. Haareef Baba from NRSC, Dr. Roopam Shukla, IIT Roorkee, Dr. Jayachandran V., NARL, Gadanki, Dr. Rakesh Atri, University of Jammu, Dr. Purushottam K. Garg, GBPHIED, Ladakh. At the end, lead lectures were delivered by Prof. Jayant K Tripathi, JNU and Prof. Som K Sharma, PRL Ahmedabad. The valedictory lecture was delivered by Prof. Sushma Yadav (Chairperson, UGC Steering Committee on LOCF) on Public policy, Institutional governance and Climate resilience in the Indian Himalayan Region. This formidable gathering of minds ensured a multi-dimensional analysis of the climate realities confronting the Himalayan ecosystem.