

Maiden meeting of MY Bharat District Advisory Committee held at Jammu

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The first meeting of the District Advisory Committee of MERA YUVA BHARAT (MY Bharat), Jammu was held today under the chairmanship of Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) Jammu Vidhu Shekhar.

At the outset, District Youth Officer, MY Bharat, Vivek Kumar presented a detailed overview of the initiative of the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India. He informed that MY Bharat aims to enroll and register youth in the age group of 15 to 29 years on its digital platform, which connects them with opportunities for volunteering, experiential learning, mentorship, leadership programmes



and national initiatives, besides enabling them to build a verified digital profile and participate actively in nation-building.

The committee deliberated on the strategy for achieving cent percent youth registration, inter-departmental convergence, promotion of Experiential Learning Programmes (ELPs) and participation in national

campaigns for engaging youth in the district.

Addressing the meeting, the ADC called for concerted efforts to enhance youth enrollment across the district. He highlighted the pivotal role of schools, colleges and other educational institutions in mobilising students for registration on the MY Bharat portal and stressed effective coordination among

all stakeholder departments for implementation of the programme in letter and spirit.

The meeting was attended by Chief Planning Officer Ajaypal Singh, Deputy Director Employment Sunaina Saini, Culture Officer Rajinder Diga, besides other officers and members of the committee. APA MY Bharat, Anmol was also present.

ADDC Jammu reviews rabies, dengue control measures



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Additional District Development Commissioner (ADDC) Jammu Sher Singh today reviewed the rabies and Dengue Control preparedness of the district here at joint meeting of District Zoonosis Committee-cum-District Steering Committee for Rabies Control and a re-

view meeting to assess the prevailing dengue situation and preparedness in the district.

At the outset, the District Surveillance Unit gave a presentation on the "One Health" approach, which recognises the interconnectedness of human, animal and environmental health, and briefed the meeting on the status of rabies, dengue and other diseases, along

with the preventive and control measures being undertaken by the concerned departments.

Addressing the meeting, the ADC underlined that zoonotic and vector-borne diseases can be tackled effectively only through sustained inter-departmental coordination cutting across the Health, Animal Husbandry, Local Bodies, Rural Development and

Education sectors. He called for adoption of the "One Health" approach in letter and spirit and stressed on joint prevention rather than reliance on treatment alone.

The ADDC directed the departments to strengthen surveillance, ensure timely information-sharing and evolve a transparent monthly reporting mechanism so that outbreaks and disease exposures are acted upon at the earliest. He also laid emphasis on intensifying IEC activities to enhance public awareness on prevention of rabies, dengue and other diseases.

The meeting was attended by District Health Officer Dr Sophia Jan, Chief Planning Officer Ajaypal Singh, Assistant Commissioner Development Danish Rasool, besides other officers and representatives from various concerned departments.

DC reviews Telecom Services status in Poonch District

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Deputy Commissioner Poonch Ashok Kumar Sharma today chaired the meeting of the District Telecom Committee (DTC) in the Conference Hall of the DC Office Complex, to review the status of telecom communication services and address issues related to connectivity and installation of mobile towers in the district.

The meeting was attended by Assistant Commissioner Revenue (ACR) Mohd Sayeed, Deputy Superintendent Police (HQ) Neeraj Sharma, District Informatics Officer, Chief Medical Officer, Assistant Commissioner Panchayat, representatives from BRO, PWD(R&B), PMGSY, JPDC, Forest Department, Municipal Council, Pollution Control Committee, BSNL, Airtel and Jio besides other concerned officers. The Deputy Commissioner held detailed deliberations on the existing telecom infrastructure



and availability of the mobile network services in different parts of the district. The committee discussed areas facing poor or inadequate connectivity, requirements for installation of new mobile towers and other issues affecting expansion and strengthening of telecom services.

The DC stressed the importance of filling the gaps in mobile and communication connectivity, particularly in remote, hilly and strategically important areas of the district. He di-

rected the concerned departments and telecom service providers to coordinate closely and facilitate early resolution of bottlenecks related to land, permissions, infrastructure and other requirements for installation of telecom towers.

He further called for expeditious action on identified connectivity gaps and directed the concerned agencies to maintain close coordination so that telecom services are strengthened across the district.

The Deputy Commis-

sioner emphasized that better telecom connectivity is essential for public services, emergency response, disaster management, administration, healthcare, education and overall socio-economic development, particularly in remote areas. The meeting concluded with directions to all concerned stakeholders to ensure timely follow-up on the issues discussed and work in a coordinated manner towards strengthening the telecom network infrastructure in district Poonch.

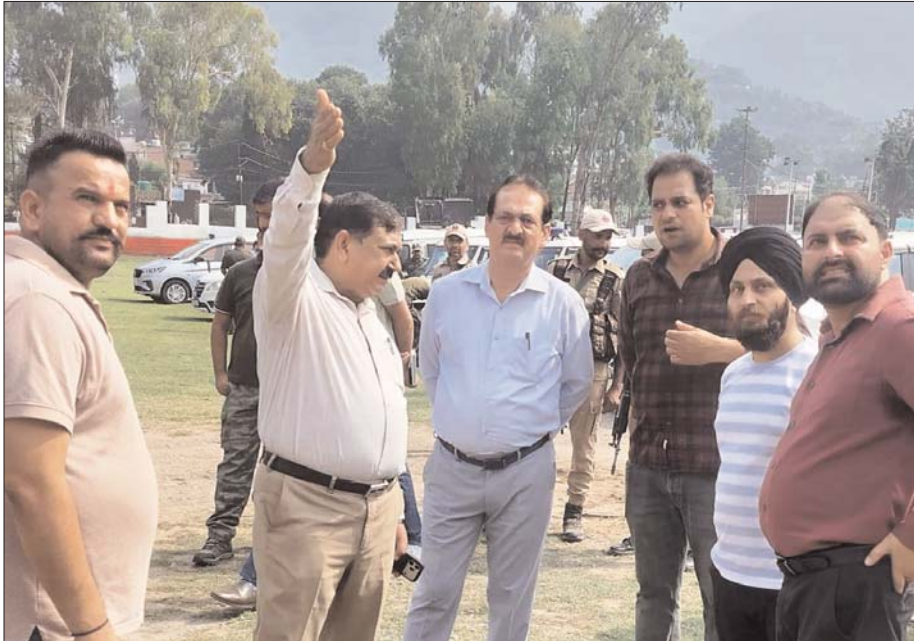
DC Poonch inspects arrangements at Shri Budha Amarnath Ji Yatra Base Camp

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Deputy Commissioner Poonch Ashok Kumar Sharma today visited the Yatra Base Camp (College Grounds) to review the arrangements being put in place for the annual Shri Budha Amarnath Ji Yatra, scheduled to commence from August 17.

The Deputy Commissioner took a detailed assessment of the ongoing preparations and reviewed the arrangements required for the convenience, safety and welfare of the pilgrims.

The Deputy Commissioner directed the concerned officers to ensure that all necessary arrangements are completed well in advance, with special focus on cleanliness, sanitation, drinking water, power supply, security, traffic management and other essential facilities, so that pilgrims do not face any inconvenience during their stay and on-



ward journey.

The DC emphasised close coordination among all concerned departments and directed the officers to remain vigilant and ensure timely completion of all assigned responsibilities.

The Deputy Commis-

sioner said that advance measures should be ensured to provide a safe, smooth and comfortable pilgrimage experience to the devotees visiting the district.

The Deputy Commissioner was accompanied by

Senior Superintendent of Police, Shafket Hussain Bhat, Additional Deputy Commissioner Tahir Mustafa Malik, Assistant Commissioner Revenue Muhammad Sayeed, besides other senior officers and officials concerned.

International Art Exhibition opened at Kala Kendra



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An International Art Exhibition of paintings, drawings and prints, organized by Kala Kendra, Jammu in collaboration with ArtFort Chandigarh was inaugurated by Prabhinder Lall, an eminent artist from Chandigarh, at the Sansar Chand Art Gallery of Kendra today. Secretary, Kala Kendra, Dr. Javaid Rahi, Eminent author Dr. Nirmal Vinod and noted artist Jang S. Verman, and were present among a large number of artists, art lovers and intellectuals in the inaugural ceremony.

The exhibition was organized in memory of the first women sculpture of J&K late Gobind Kour who served as a faculty of Insti-

tute of Music and Fine Art, Jammu.

Dr. Javaid Rahi in his welcome address stated that a total 47 works are on display. He said the main objective of the programme was to connect J&K painters with the rest of the world. He said that the present show will certainly project the art of Jammu artists, particularly the young artists in the international perspective.

Chief guest Sh. Prabhinder Lall, Dr. Nirmal Vinod and Sh. Jang S. Verman also addressed the gathering on this occasion. The exhibition is dedicated to Late Smt. Gobind Kour, 1st Contemporary Woman Sculptor of Jammu on her death anniversary on 11th August.

The art works of forty seven artists from six coun-

tries viz. Malaysia, Thailand, Poland, Turkiye, Poland and India will be put on display in the proposed exhibition. The exhibition which is to be displayed at Sansar Chand Baru Art Gallery of the Kendra, Jammu has been curated by Jang S. Verman, the senior artist from Jammu. The other curators for the show are Prabhinder Lall, an eminent artist from Chandigarh; Mr. Suzlee Ibrahim from Malaysia; and Sh. B S Baloria, Dharamshala (HP). Ms. Mahua Gupta, a young artist from Jammu, has been assigned the responsibility of Coordinator for the show at Jammu. Faculty of Fine Arts, ASWARA, Kuala Lum Pur, Malaysia; Baloria Art Gallery, Dharalshala (HP, India) and Verman The

artists who are participating in the exhibition include Msrs. Suzlee Ibrahim (Malaysia); Iwa (Poland); Antipina Daria (Russia); Bandita Worassi (Thailand); Dr. Mubera Bulbul (Turkiye); Balwant Singh Balouria (Dharamshala, HP); Anand Shinde; Diksha Raghav; Prabhinder Lall and Ravinder Singh Gosain (Chandigarh); Jaspreet Singh and Komal Kaur (Mohali); Kulwant Singh Gill (Amritsar) (Punjab); Dr. AK Dixit and Harshinder Loomba (New Delhi); Arvind Sharma (Karnal, Haryana); Neelu Kanwria (Jaipur, Rajasthan); Yashwant Patel (Gujrat); Raghu Niware (Nagpur); and Sangita Sharma (Mumbai) (Maharashtra); H V Manthatti; Rajshekhar Shamanna; Nagraj R Kumbhar and Kishor Kumar (Karnataka); Aslam Naqishbadi (Srinagar); Amardeep Singh Sahni; Ankush Kesar; Dr. Ashi Verma; Bhupinder Singh Sasan; Bhushan Kesar; Deepa Soni; Gokal Dembi; Heema Nagpal; Jang S. Verman; Kamalnain Bhan; Mahua Gupta; Manoj Chopra; Narinder Kumar; OP Sharma; Reecha Gupta; Renu Bala; Dr. Sanjay Sharma; Shruti Arora; Suman Chib; Sunita Gandhi; and Surbhi Mahajan (Jammu)(J&K).

DC Ramban inaugurates 2-day training program



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A two-day district-level training programme on Population Enumeration (PE), organised in the run-up to Phase-II of Census-2027, commenced today in the Conference Hall, Maitra.

Deputy Commissioner Mohammad Alyas Khan, who is also the Principal Census Officer for the district, inaugurated the training programme in the presence of Additional Deputy Commissioner Varunjeet Singh Charak, District and Charge-level Officers and other designated officials.

The training programme is aimed at imparting the necessary knowledge, technical know-how and operational skills required for the smooth and effective conduct of Phase-II of Census-2027 in the district.

Addressing the participants, the Deputy Commissioner underscored the significance of the Census exercise and impressed upon all officers and officials to develop a thorough understanding of the prescribed guidelines, procedures and operational protocols. He stressed the need for a systematic, transparent and error-free conduct of Population Enumeration to ensure the accuracy and

completeness of census data.

The Deputy Commissioner also congratulated the Charge Census Officers and other officers and officials associated with Census operations for the successful completion of Phase-I of Census-2027.

Resource Persons and Master Trainers from the Directorate of Census Oper-

ations, J&K, are conducting technical sessions during the training programme. The participants are being trained in various operational aspects of Population Enumeration, including enumeration procedures, use of Census schedules, data recording, field protocols, supervisory mechanisms and other related aspects of the Census exercise.



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