

CS reviews progress on different projects of HADP

JAMMU, APRIL 2 : Chief Secretary, Atal Dulloo, today had a project-wise review of progress achieved under sub-projects of Holistic Agriculture Development Programme (HADP) being implemented by the Agriculture Production Department here in the UT.

Principal Secretary, APD, VC SKUAST, Kashmir/Jammu, MD, HADP, Deputy Commissioners and other HoDs of the department participated physically and virtually. During the meeting, the Chief Secretary took stock of measures initiated, so far, by the department to achieve targets set for each project under this programme for the year 2023-24. He enquired from both the Deputy Commissioners and its designated Project Managers about the progress on implementation of the projects. Dulloo also asked about the major reasons of rejection...

tions by banks and addressing them in consultation with these financial institutions. The Chief Secretary called for increasing the

Principal Secretary, APD, Shaileendra Kumar, emphasized upon the DCs to further speed-up the rate of giving approvals to the applications.

wise updates and credit flow. On the occasion, the district wise ranking as per different parameters of the program was depicted for the



number of demonstration videos on Daksh Kisan portal for the farmers to learn from it. He also told the concerned Vice-Chancellors of SKUAST Kashmir/Jammu to monitor the quality of videos prepared by them besides creating audio-visual content for newly identified courses.

He also asked them to ensure provisioning of authorization letters to them immediately after clearance by DLCs. MD HADP, Yasha Mudgal, elucidated the process of application making, skilling, outreach activities, district-wise ranking, budget utilization, project-

month of March, 2024. It was informed that the ranking was done on the parameters including number of applications received, approvals given, percentage of pendency, enrollments, youth engagement and the percentage of rejections from each district.

Div Com Kashmir inspects functioning of IMTS cameras at Traffic Management & Monitoring Control Room

Directs SSCL for providing glitchless services of surveillance cameras

SRINAGAR, APRIL 02 : The Divisional Commissioner (Div Com) Kashmir, Vijay Kumar Bidhur on Tuesday inspected the operation and functioning of IMTS cameras at Traffic Management and Monitoring Control Room at the office of SSP Traffic, Srinagar.

It was informed that 700 cameras installed at different junctions of city are presently providing seamless feed and are monitored from ICCCC, HMT.

On the occasion, Div Com directed officers of SSCL and R&B to ensure rideable surfaced of all roads within five days to facilitate smooth traffic movement in view of Eid

of works within stipulated time.

He also instructed concerned for shifting of traffic light poles at various location due to redesigning of junction.



On the occasion, the Div Com directed concerned officers of SSCL to ensure round the clock glitch less functioning of cameras for regulation of traffic flow and maintaining of strong vigilance.

He also directed the integration of IMTS service with National Informatics Centre (NIC) for online challan of vehicles for violation of traffic rules.

Later, he chaired a meeting of officers to address the traffic related issues due to various ongoing project works on flyovers, bridges and roads in the city.

and other festivals. He also directed for improvement of service roads of under-construction flyovers, creating proper gradient of roads and completion.

The meeting was attended by SSP Traffic, Srinagar, CE R&B and CE Srinagar Smart City Limited and other officers of these departments.

Secretary Health visits SKIMS MC&H; Inspects healthcare, interacts with students, faculty

SRINAGAR, APRIL 02 : Secretary Health and Medical Education, Dr. Syed Abid Rasheed Shah, today visited SKIMS Medical College and Hospital (MC&H) and reviewed functioning of the institute.

national efficiency of the hospital.

Interacting with the doctors and other staff, Dr. Abid Rasheed said that the goal is to ensure that the medical

infrastructure and took first hand appraisal of each facility. He also interacted with the patients as well as attendants and had feedback from them about the healthcare

responsibility towards providing better care to the patients.

Highlighting the need for creating a professional work culture for enhanced outcomes, he encouraged faculty members to create innovative models of teaching having a positive impact.



He had a comprehensive round of various units of the hospital to assess the medical facilities available for the patients.

During his visit, the Secretary also interacted with the faculty and the students and underscored the need for a broad based interaction among the students and the teachers.

facilities meet the highest standards.

The Secretary visited various departments including Ophthalmology, Physiology, Anatomy, Community Medicine and other related

facilities being provided there.

While interacting with the medics, Dr Abid said that SKIMS Medical College and Hospital is a pivotal medical institute and they have a

Dr. Abid Rasheed also called for ensuring cleanliness in and around the hospital which is a prerequisite for health of the patients. He also visited the hospital canteen and issued strict instructions to the concerned for maintaining highest standards of hygiene.

The Secretary, on the occasion, also interacted with the students and sought first hand feedback from them about the quality of education being provided to them

Modi government steadfast to promote the Dogri language : Chander Mohan Sharma

Jammu, April. 02 : Advocate Chander Mohan Sharma, Senior leader of J&K BJP, recounted the endeavours of the Modi government to promote the Dogri language in Jammu & Kashmir and said that Dogri represents the irreplaceable culture and tradition of the Jammu region.

regional language Kashmiri, the Modi government brought a bill in the Parliament. He said that Radio Kashmir Jammu has also been renamed as Akashvani Jammu, with

the occasion, also counted upon the numerous projects and unprecedented development in terms of infrastructure development to boost the road network, education and medical facilities. He also

include Dogri and Kashmiri languages as the official languages, NC leadership along with other political parties opposed the bill thus depicting the true nature of these parties. He said that parties



Dr. Pardeep Mahotra, State Media Incharge, J&K BJP, and Sanjay Bakshi, member Media Department were also present in the Press Conference held at BJP headquarters, Trikuta Nagar, Jammu.

announcements in the Dogri language also, to boost the Dogri language further.

Chander Mohan Sharma said that the BJP government under the leadership of PM Modi is steadfast in giving due place to the Dogri language and taking all the essential measures. He, on

appealed to the people to vote in favour of the BJP in Parliamentary elections to give more strength to PM Modi to give further pace to development in Jammu & Kashmir.

Dr Pardeep Mahotra said that when the Modi government brought the bill to

like NC, Congress, and PDP have exploited the sentiments of people, and befooled the gullible population. In fact, these political parties deliberately misused the power corridor to loot the public of Jammu, Kashmir, and Ladakh emotionally, economically, and culturally.

Lok Sabha Elections 2024 Youth Parliament under SVEEP Campaign held at Kishtwar

KISHTWAR, APRIL 02 : As the SVEEP campaign gains momentum in anticipation of upcoming General Elections-2024, Kishtwar district witnessed a significant stride with hosting of an impressive Youth Parliament at Government Degree College (GDC), here.

Satinder Singh, District Information Officer Kishtwar Dr. Kuldeep Kumar, BDO

the rich cultural diversity of the nation. An open Quiz session on

Other dignitaries also spoke on the occasion. Besides, the participants



The mock Parliament, orchestrated by District Election Officer under the leadership of District Election Officer, Dr. Devansh Yadav, in collaboration with SVEEP Nodal Officer Dr. Yasar Ahmed of GDC Kishtwar, and under meticulous supervision of District Nodal Officer SVEEP/Deputy District Election Officer Kishtwar Idrees Lone, showcased a remarkable display of democratic engagement.

Trigam Chandan Manhas, Incharge Principal GDC Prof. Umar Deen, NSS Programme Officers Esar Ul Ayoub, and NCC ANO Prathvi Raj were present on the occasion.

the Parliamentary and constitutional process was also held on the occasion wherein the awards were given away. The Voter's pledge was also administered to the participants on the occasion.

were also blessed with certificates encouraging and appreciating their participation in the proceeding of Youth Parliament.

ARO 48 Assembly Constituency Kishtwar/ADC Pawan Kotwal on the occasion underscored the importance of youth participation in electoral process. With over 200 participants, including NCC cadets and NSS volunteers, the Youth Parliament deliberated upon the theme "Social Media and Democracy," mirroring the proceedings of Indian Parliament with fervent debates and discussions.

Presentations by NCC and NSS, coupled with engaging debates and captivating Classical Dance/cultural performances, enthralled the youth, imparting valuable lessons on democracy and

The chief guest, addressing the Youth Parliament, highlighted the role of Youth in the democratic process and threw light on the significance of voting rights in a healthy democracy.

The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Professor Dr. Sehriish Gazal, reaffirming the commitment to uphold ethical voting practices and foster awareness about the Right to Vote among the youth of GDC Kishtwar.

Lok Sabha Elections 2024

Artists present Nukkad Natak under SVEEP campaign at Samba

SAMBA, APRIL 02 : A spirited Nukkad Natak performance took centre stage today at main Chowk, Samba to promote voters participation in upcoming Lok Sabha Elections 2024.

Organized under the ongoing Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP) awareness campaign in the district, the event unfolded under the guidance of District Election Officer (DEO), Abhishek Sharma. The initiative operated seamlessly under the close supervision of District Nodal Officer SVEEP, Muhammad Sayed.

voting-related processes and promote electoral literacy,

Elections 2024. The DEO emphasised that

Samba to ensure inclusive governance and participatory democracy. By leveraging innovative approaches to civic education and community engagement, such endeavours aim to empower citizens with knowledge, thereby fostering a culture of responsible citizenship and democratic stewardship.



especially among first-time voters, preparing them for upcoming Lok Sabha

the initiative resonates with the overarching commitment of the District Administration

He added that as the countdown to Lok Sabha Elections 2024 gains momentum, initiatives like the Nukkad Natak performance stand as a beacon of inspiration, rallying communities towards informed and ethical electoral practices. The District Administration Samba remains steadfast in its resolve to uphold integrity of electoral process and nurture a culture of active citizenship.

Stress management skill can be developed by adapting Yogic Way of Life : Justice Tashi

JAMMU, APRIL 02 : An awareness programme on Management of Stress was held at Central Jail, Kot Bhalwal, Jammu today.

The programme was organized by J&K Legal Services Authority in collaboration with Department of Prisons, UT of J&K and District Legal Services Authority, Jammu for the officers and officials of Central Jail Kot Bhalwal, Jammu.

Central Jail Kot Bhalwal Jammu and Advocate Anil Sharma, Chief LADC, Jammu along with his team.

On the occasion, Justice Tashi was accompanied by Amit Kumar Gupta, Member Secretary, J&K Legal Services Authority and Prem Sagar, Secretary, High Court Legal Services Committee.

The programme was organised under the guidance of the Chief Justice, High Court of J&K and Ladkash, who during his recent visit to Central Jail, Kot Bhalwal necessitated conducting a stress management program for the jail staff and jail inmates.

Justice Tashi, during his special address, highlighted that management of time is a mantra to relieve the working stress. He said that stress management is a skill which can be developed by adapting yogic way of life. He said that the techniques

which the resource person taught today shall be helpful for all the participants in de-stressing themselves. He further urged upon all of them to take a pledge to implement these techniques in their day-to-day life to ensure management of stress in today's fast-moving life.

Virender Bhat, Superintendent, Central Jail, Kot Bhalwal, Jammu, said that it is an honour for the Department of Prisons that J&K Legal Services Authority, on the directions of the Patron-in-Chief and Executive Chairman, is taking great initiatives for well-being of the jail inmates. He further said that such initiatives would go a long way in reducing the mental pain and sufferings of the prisoners.

Dr. T R Raina (Former Professor & Head, Department of Blood Translation Medicine and Former Programme Director, Advanced Yoga

Center, Ministry of Ayush, GoI, GMC Jammu) in his Audio Visual presentation gave a detailed perspective of the causes of stress and the measures to deal with it. He said that Mental Stress is a part of modern life style which is the major cause of 95% diseases. Other causes of stress in human beings are due to consumption of contaminated food items. Prison staff is also vulnerable to stress as it has to deal with the prisoners allegedly involved in different crimes and it is not an easy job for the jail authorities to manage stress, he added. Such type of awareness and sensitization programmes immensely help them in shaping their personalities and increase efficiency in their job.

Vote of thanks and the proceedings of the programme were conducted by Smriti Sharma, Secretary, DLSA Jammu.

RDD Secretary reviews progress on flagship schemes

SRINAGAR, APRIL 02 : Secretary, Rural Development Department (RDD) and Panchayati Raj, Dr Shahid Iqbal Choudhary, reviewed progress on UT Capex, CSS and KPIs achieved in the financial year 2023-24 with the Assistant Commissioners Development (ACDs), Assistant Commissioners Panchayat (ACPs) and Block Development Officers (BDOs) of Kashmir division at SKICC.

munication in driving progress, Dr. Shahid highlighted the need for suggestions from field officers on how to improve public outreach and office efficiency from financial and adminis-

Director General, Rural Sanitation, Anoo Malhotra, made a presentation on implementation of Swachh Bharat Mission- Grameen in the UT, including flagship initiatives and interventions.

activities, creation of Swachhta Bank and developing legacy waste sites into revenue generation places.

Chief Operating Officer, Himayat, Rajneesh Gupta, talked about program's focus



Director, RDD, Kashmir, Shabir Hussain Bhat made a detailed presentation about the status of MGNREGA and PMAY-G implementation, administrative and financial status of schemes, challenges and other issues.

She sought support of field officers in effective implementation of sanitation facilities and timely interventions for better results in door-to-door waste collection, collection of user charges, engaging Self Help Group members in different

on skill training to uplift beneficiaries from poverty to prosperity. Gupta appealed for support from field officers in mobilizing youth at the district level, both through district administration and panchayat representatives.

The Administrative Secretary had a detailed review of flagship schemes being implemented by Rural Development Department. He held detailed deliberations with the ACDs and ACPs for achieving the targets.

Dr Shahid underscored the importance of convergence within the department to ensure effective utilization of resources and progress at the district level. He emphasized collaboration among different departments and stakeholders to achieve the goals. He stressed the need for training programs for panchayat members and officials, as well as Self-Help Groups (SHGs) for social auditing to promote transparency.

Recognizing the importance of interpersonal com-