

# Sant Nirankari Mission organises a voluntarily Blood Donation Camp at Jammu

**Manav Ekta Diwas - A Divine Pledge of Selfless Service**



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JAMMU, APR. 24: Reflecting the spirit of love and brotherhood, Manav Ekta Diwas (Human Unity Day) is observed annually on April 24 by the Sant Nirankari Mission in a spiritually charged atmosphere, in sacred remembrance of Baba Gurbachan Singh Ji. This day is not only an occasion to pay homage but also a spiritual confluence of humanity, harmony, and unity.

On this day, the Mission initiates a nationwide blood donation drive that flows throughout the year as a symbol of collective awakening toward selfless service. Alongside, spiritual congregations spread the message of love, peace, and inclusiveness to the masses. This day signifies that service is not merely an act but an inner sentiment of selfless dedication. This year too, the Sant Nirankari Charitable Foundation organized an extensive series of blood donation camps across more than 500 branches throughout India. In Jammu the

camp was held at Sant Nirankari Satsang Bhawan Shastri Nagar and was inaugurated by Smt. Seema Basin JKAS Director Finance, Social Welfare Department Civil Secretariat Jammu. She said that the camp witnessing the enthusiastic participation of devotees who voluntarily donated blood with full dedication and zeal, contributing to the welfare of humanity. A total of 217 units of blood donated by devotees.

Through his realization of Truth, Yugdrishta Baba Gurbachan Singh Ji initiated movements that freed society from superstitions and social evils, encouraging de-addiction, simple marriages, and positive thinking among youth. Carrying forward his noble legacy, Baba Hardev Singh Ji gave the eternal message, "Let blood flow in veins, not in drains," making blood donation an integral part of the Mission's spiritual service.

This message continues to live in the hearts of Nirankari devotees as a

glowing torch of service and sacrifice.

Dr. Geetika Duggal, Medical Director of Sant Nirankari Health City, shared that approximately 30,000 units of blood were collected across the country during this blood donation drive, with nearly 1,000 units donated at the Delhi camp alone.

This day also honors the sacred memory of devoted martyrs like Chacha Partap Singh Ji and many other saints who dedicated their lives walking the path of human unity, selfless service, and spiritual awakening. Manav Ekta Diwas keeps alive the inspiration drawn from their steadfast faith and noble resolutions.

Ajit Singh Zonal Incharge Jammu Welcome all and said that this grand initiative is more than just a blood donation drive; it is a living expression of Satguru Mata Sudiksha Ji Maharaj's message of compassion, service, and unity. It teaches us that humanity is the supreme religion. Inspired by this divine vision, the Sant Nirankari Mission continues to pave the path of humanity through tireless service and wholehearted dedication.

Other Dignitaries presented on the occasion were Anu Behl JKAS Special Secretary to the Govt Revenue Deptt of Jammu & Kashmir (UT), Dr. Vijay Sahni, Dr. Renu Menia, Dr. Zulfikar, Dr. Rashmika from Blood Bank GMC Jammu. The camp was held in collaboration with blood & transfusion dept. of Govt. Medical College Jammu and JKASCS.

# Fostering Collaboration and Learning: IIM Jammu Hosts Immersion Program for BBA Students of ITS, Ghaziabad

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JAMMU, APR. 24:

Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Jammu, under the leadership of Prof. B.S. Sahay, Director, IIM Jammu, organized an enriching Immersion Program for BBA students from the Institute of Technology and Science (I.T.S), Ghaziabad. Held at the Dharma Classroom, Vedanta MDP Centre from April 24 to April 28, 2025, the program aimed to foster collaborative learning and provide valuable industry exposure to aspiring management professionals.

The Immersion Program featured the participation of 30 enthusiastic BBA students and two faculty members from I.T.S Ghaziabad. The students received a warm welcome and were taken on an engaging campus tour, beginning at the iconic Clock Tower and covering key facilities including the IIM Jammu Reception Area, Mandapam Auditorium, Smart Classrooms, and the state-of-the-art Nalanda Library.

The Inaugural Ceremony commenced with the traditional lighting of the lamp, symbolizing the pursuit of wisdom. The event was graced by Prof. Jabir Ali, Dean Academics, IIM Jammu; Dr. Sanjeev Pathak, Chairperson, Executive Education and Consultancy; and Dr. Vinod Durge, Chairperson, Alumni Affairs.



Representing I.T.S Ghaziabad were Prof. Vajjayanti Anand and Prof. Shivoham, who extended their support and encouragement to the participating students.

Prof. Jabir Ali, Dean Academics, IIM Jammu, welcomed the students and emphasized the importance of active participation and co-creation in the learning process. He encouraged the students to come prepared, be engaged, and leverage this opportunity to the fullest. Highlighting that learning at IIM system goes beyond classroom sessions, he underscored the value of peer learning and out-of-classroom experiences. He thanked I.T.S Ghaziabad for collaborating in this initiative and encouraged students to explore the IIM Jammu campus, reflect on key takeaways, and fully immerse themselves in its vibrant academic ecosystem. "This five-day journey is not just about learning-it's about discovery, challenge, and growth," he

remarked.

Dr. Sanjeev Pathak, Chairperson, Executive Education and Consultancy, IIM Jammu, welcomed the participants and shared a key learning from a past industry immersion - the importance of discovering something new each day. He emphasized that the five-day BBA program is designed to align with students' aspirations and equip them to become future leaders and job creators. Highlighting the role of Executive Education, he noted that IIM Jammu focuses on practical skills, policy awareness, and industry insights essential for today's dynamic business landscape. He reiterated IIM Jammu's commitment, in contributing to policymaking and nation-building through continuous learning and innovation.

Dr. Shreya Rastogi, Program Director, IIM Jammu, warmly welcomed the participants and provided an insightful overview of the program's objectives, setting the tone for an engaging and

enriching learning experience.

The five-day program featured a thoughtfully curated curriculum designed to equip students with essential managerial insights and practical knowledge. Key topics included International Business, Capital Budgeting, Critical Thinking, Digital Branding, Fundamentals of Forex Markets, Capital Structure and Leverage Analysis, Operations Management, Practical Applications of Business Strategy, Supply Chain Management, Consumer Behaviour, Digital Transformation in Business, Lean Management, Business Statistics for Managers, Monetary Policy, Digital Marketing, Team Building, and the Role of AI in Business Communications. The vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. Garima Maurya, Program Director, IIM Jammu. The inaugural ceremony culminated with the national anthem and group photograph.

The Immersion Program at IIM Jammu stands as a testament to the institute's unwavering commitment to nurturing talent and strengthening industry-academia partnerships. Through such transformative initiatives, IIM Jammu continues to set new benchmarks in management education and plays a pivotal role in shaping future-ready leaders.

## Gupta condemns Pahalgam Terror Attack, Calls for United Stand Against Terrorism

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JAMMU, APR. 24: Sham Lal Gupta, Chairman of Anti-Crime (NGO), has strongly condemned the barbaric terrorist attack on tourists in the Baisaran area of Pahalgam, Anantnag district, in which 26 innocent lives were lost and dozens more were injured. He described the act as cowardly and inhuman, aimed at disrupting the growing atmosphere of peace and harmony in Jammu and Kashmir.

Expressing deep anguish over the heinous incident, Gupta said such acts of terror reflect the desperation of those who cannot tolerate the return of normalcy, tourism, and stability in the Union Territory. "Attacking unarmed civilians who had come to enjoy the natural beauty and cultural warmth of Kashmir is a shameful and despicable act," he stated. "These attempts to tarnish the image of Jammu and Kashmir must be condemned by every right-thinking citizen."

He further emphasized that the people of Jammu and Kashmir have repeatedly voiced their aspiration for peace, development, and brotherhood-an aspiration that terrorists are trying to sabotage. "The enemies of peace are trying to instill fear among tourists and local communities. But their nefarious designs will not succeed, as the people of this region are united in their resolve against terrorism," he asserted. Calling for a strong and decisive response, Sham Lal Gupta urged the security forces to act with full strength against the perpetrators of the attack and anyone who supports or shelters the terror ecosystem.

## Principal Secretary Culture inaugurates rare Coins Exhibition at Kala Kendra



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JAMMU, APR. 24: Principal Secretary Culture, Brij Mohan Sharma today inaugurated a two-day Rare Coins Exhibition at Kala Kendra, Jammu. The event was organized to mark the observance of World Numismatic Week-2025 by Kala Kendra under the aegis of the Department of Culture, Government of Jammu & Kashmir. A galaxy of art lovers, painters, heritage collectors, and dignitaries were present to witness the inaugural ceremony.

While addressing the gathering, Brij Mohan Sharma stated that "each coin on display is not merely a piece of metal-it is a witness to history, culture, and tradition. It stands as a silent storyteller of trade, governance, empires, and the everyday lives of our ancestors." He emphasized

that through their inscriptions, materials, shapes, and symbols, coins serve as vital carriers of our collective cultural memory.

The Principal Secretary invited all collectors and cultural organizations to join hands with the government for resolving issues faced by the heritage collector community. He announced that the Department of Culture has devised a new scheme to recognize and reward non-governmental organizations working with commitment and zeal in the field of culture, heritage preservation, and promotion.

Dr. Javaid Rahi, Secretary Kala Kendra, welcomed the guests and informed that the exhibition features around 1000 rare coins from various historical periods, including those of Kanishka, Indo-Greek rulers, Pre and post Islamic

Kashmir, the Mughal Empire, British era, Sikh and Dogra regimes, as well as post-Independence India. He said the primary objective of the event is to provide a platform for collectors to showcase their prized coin collections.

Prominent collectors whose collections are on display include Dr. Suresh Kumar Abrol, Founder, Shashvat Art Gallery, Jammu), Inder Singh, Himalayan Heritage Museum, Jammu), Sudhir Gupta, Ashok Kumar Koul, and Ramesh Kumar Raina. Their exhibits have been displayed at the Master Sansar Chand Gallery within Kala Kendra. The occasion was also graced by Special Secretaries to the Culture Department, Ms. Trishla Kundal and Mr. Malikzada Sheeraz ul Haq. Eminent authors and cultural personalities such as Khalid Hussain, A.S. Amn, Liaqat Jafri, and Raj Kumar Behroopia, along with senior officers of the Culture Department including Vishivjeet, Raiz Chowdhary, and Amar Singh, also spoke and appreciated the initiative.

The exhibition will remain open to the public till the evening of April 25, 2025.

## BJP organizes Shradhanjali Sabha to pay tributes to the 26 civilians martyred in Pahalgam terror attack

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SRINAGAR, APR. 24: The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), Jammu & Kashmir organized a Shradhanjali Sabha at Church Lane, Srinagar, to pay tribute to the 26 innocent civilians who were brutally killed in a terrorist attack in Pahalgam on 22nd April 2025.

Sat Sharma, President, J&K BJP, Sunil Sharma, Leader of Opposition, Ashok Koul, General Secretary (organization), J&K BJP, Gh. Ali Khatana, MP (Rajya Sabha), Dr. Devinder Kumar Manyal, General Secretary, J&K BJP & MLA, Sunil Sethi, Chief Spokesperson, J&K BJP and other senior leaders of BJP paid floral tributes on the occasion.

Offering floral tributes to the martyrs, BJP leaders observed a two-minute silence in memory of the innocent lives lost. The attack, which targeted peaceful visitors, has drawn strong condemnation from all corners and has been described as an attack on the soul of Kashmir.

While paying the tributes, Sat Sharma stated, "These tourists came here in trust and peace, and their murder is a crime against humanity. We grieve with their families and promise that their sacrifice will not be forgotten."



Ashok Koul added, "Terrorists want to instill fear and divide us, but Kashmiris will never allow such darkness to overpower the spirit of our land. We stand united in mourning and in resolve." Sunil Sharma strongly condemning the heinous act said, "Brutality has crossed all limits of humanity. Their actions are a direct attack on the values we hold dear as a society."

All speakers emphasized the need for national unity,

stronger security measures, and a firm stance against terrorism to ensure such heinous crimes are never repeated.

The BJP leadership expressed deep solidarity with the victims' families and called upon society to collectively work toward peace and justice.

The Sabha concluded with collective prayers for the departed souls and reaffirmation of the BJP's commitment to a terror-free, peaceful Jammu & Kashmir.

## ABDPSS holds protest rally against killing of tourists in Pahalgam



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JAMMU, APR. 24: A massive protest rally was held at Channi Himmat, Jammu on Thursday, led by Akhil Bhartiya Dharam Prachar Sewa Samiti and supported by several religious and social organisations. In response to the brutal terrorist attack in Pahalgam. The protest, marked by intense public outrage, saw participation from volunteers of Satsang Prachar Sewa Mandal, Bharat Vikas Parishad, Brahman Sabha Channi himmat, Vichar Kranti Manch International, Prominent Citizens and retired officers of the area. The rally commenced

from Channi Himmat main chowk passed through various lanes of posh colony and culminated at Tawi Chowk of the locality. Especially women of the area raised slogans against the terrorism and Pakistan as well. Protesters issued key demands including strong action against the Pakistan, Separate Union territory for Jammu, Immediate elimination of terrorists and their local supporters. Several Speakers also delivered a powerful message stating the nation must unite against the force trying to disrupt our peace. We stand in solidarity with the families of the victims

and demand justice.

As a powerful symbol of protest, an effigy of Pakistan was set ablaze, its flames a mirror to the fury burning in every soul present. Also present at the rally were prominent Social and religious figures including Sushma Sharma, Poetess Girija Sharma, Bhuvneshwari Sharma, Neeru Sharma, Usha Rajput, Vimla Devi, Kiran Kumari, Sonam Sharma, Naradh Devi, Dr. Vijay Sharma, Parshotam Sharma, Subash Shastri, Ramesh Sharma, Ajay Bhalla, Naresh Sharma, Yash Paul Sharma, Ashok Khajuria, Chaman Choudhary, Manmohan Naradh, Omkar Singh, Aayushman Sharma, Pran Nath Koul, Jai Krishan Koul, Raman Sharma, Arjun Singh, Rohit Shastri, Rajesh Bargartha, Yash Paul Sharma, Abhinandan Jain, Parveen Kumar, Inder Sharma, Chaman Lal Sharma, Parveen Sharma and others.

## International Institute of J&K studies (IIJSA)

**Jammu condemns the terror attack at Pahalgam**

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JAMMU, APR. 24: Brigadier (Dr.) Vijay Sagar Dhemam, a renowned defence expert and Convenor IIJSA Jammu, the only think tank in J&K, strongly condemned the heinous act perpetrated by terrorists from Pakistan, executed under the real-time direction of Pakistan's ISI, at Pahalgam. He denounced the cowardly attack carried out by inhuman, anti-humanity and misguided Jihadists, which resulted in the death of 27 innocent, unarmed civilians and left many others injured.

He emphasized that such individuals deserve no reprieve and must be neutralized by security forces at the earliest opportunity. He expressed full support for the administration in Jammu & Kashmir during this challenging period and assured his readiness to assist in any required capacity.

He also backed the Bandh call across the Union Territory to raise awareness among the misled sections of society and

to expose the true intentions of the Pakistani deep state.

Brigadier (Dr.) Vijay Sagar Dhemam further pointed out the strategic timing of this terror incident, coinciding with the visit of U.S. Vice President J.D. Vance to India, during which a \$500 billion trade deal was expected to be discussed, as well as the Indian Prime Minister's visit to Saudi Arabia, where significant economic gains were anticipated. He asserted that the objective of this attack was to portray India as unstable and chaotic before the international community, an agenda allegedly pushed by Pakistan's ISI at China's behest.

Brigadier (Dr.) Vijay Sagar Dhemam also highlighted Pakistan's disregard for the people of Jammu & Kashmir, as evidenced by targeting the region's key source of livelihood i.e tourism. He noted that this exposed Pakistan's true motives and territorial ambitions devoid of any empathy for the local population.

## KCCI express gratitude to people for observing bandh against terror attack in Pahalgam

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SRINAGAR, APR. 24: First and foremost, on behalf of the Kashmir Chamber of Commerce and Industry- an apex trade body- I would like to express our sincere gratitude to all the people of Kashmir for observing a complete shutdown yesterday in protest against the dastardly attack on innocent civilians in Baisaran, Pahalgam.

I would also like to thank the media personnel for their presence here today.

Let me be clear: we are not gathered here to discuss business losses. We are here to mourn human losses. It is with a heavy heart and extreme sadness that we address you regarding this tragic and inhumane incident in Pahalgam.

The people of Kashmir denounce this violence in the strongest possible terms. Such acts have no place in our society, in our culture, or in our values. Kashmir has always been



known for its hospitality. At the same time, numerous reports are coming from different parts of the country that Kashmiri students and businessmen are being harassed for being Kashmiris.

While our hearts are bleeding for those who were killed and our prayers are with their families. We appeal to the Central Government, Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, Union Home Minister, Shri Amit Shah, Lieutenant Governor, J&K, Shri Manoj Sinha and Chief Minister, Shri Omar Abdullah, to intervene and ensure the safety of Kashmiris living outside J&K.

The Shutdown on

Wednesday across the Valley was not merely a protest; it is a message that the business community and the people of Kashmir stand united against innocent killings and violence in all its forms. We extend our deepest condolences to the families of the victims. Their loss is immeasurable, and we share in their grief.

KCCI recognises that our responsibility does not end with calling for a shutdown. We would like to emphatically reiterate that for the KCCI, human lives come far above any business considerations. Our primary concern is and always will be the sanctity of human life and the peace and security of all people in Kashmir.