

Despite declaration, notification on OBC status not issued yet: Ch Manmohan

**Warns of agitation if notification not issued soon
AIJMS felicitates Major Abhinandan for clearing IAS examination**

TT CORRESPONDENT
JAMMU, JUNE 07: Ch Manmohan Singh, President All India Jat MahaSabha (AIJMS), Jammu and Kashmir, on Wednesday warned that the Jat community will start an agitation if notification on OBC status shall not be issued sooner than later.

The senior Jat leader said it is really unfortunate that despite announcing the same the government has not yet issued the desired notification to grant the OBC status to the Jat community in the UT of J&K.

He was addressing a meeting organized by Kuldeep Kour Tehsil President AIJMS Akhnoor.

Earlier Ch Manmohan along with other senior members of AIJMS felicitated Major Abhinandan Singh for clearing the prestigious Civil Services examination. He wished a bright future and vibrant career to Abhinandan and asked the young lot of the community to take cue from Abhinandan's success and try to toe the same line for ensuring phenomenal success in life.



Major Abhinandan expressed gratitude to the AIJMS for the encouragement and best wishes.

Later, Ch Manmohan Singh also raised the issue of denying the ownership rights of land which is in possession of Jat Community members for the last more than 60 years. He asked the government to work towards finding a solution to this issue and ensure that the land rights of the Jat community are protected.

Singh also appealed to the Jat community not to sell their land claiming that in that case their identity as

farmers will be lost. He urged the Jat community to continue their work as farmers and maintain their crucial role in the growth and development of the country's agricultural sector.

Later, Onkar Choudhary, Retd Joint Director Agri, was unanimously nominated as Coordinator of Akhnoor, Jaurian and Khour Tehsils.

Ch Manmohan said that Onkar Choudhary has earned a good reputation and he will play a vital role in steering the community to new heights of progress and prosperity.

Onkar Choudhary has

expressed gratitude to Ch Manmohan Singh and members of the Jat Sabha for giving him an opportunity to serve the community.

Kuldeep Kour, Tehsil President Akhnoor raised problems being faced by the members of Jat Community. She asked the community members to come forward and strengthen the hands of Ch Manmohan Singh who is working day and night for the welfare of community.

Brig Pawan Sauntra, Vice President AIJMS laid stress on educating children of Jat community. "Education helps to create responsible

citizens who can contribute positively to their communities. It also provides the foundation for economic development, as educated individuals are better equipped to find employment or start their own businesses. Therefore, it is important for the Jat community to prioritize education for their children," he added.

Col Shiv Choudhary pledged that he is always ready to work for the betterment of the Jat community. He also emphasized the importance of unity among Jats and urged everyone to work together towards the progress of the community. He further stated that education is the key to success and encouraged the youth to pursue higher education to enhance their skills and knowledge. He also offered assistance and guidance to the community youth in the field of education.

Among others who were present include Ch Jung Bahadur, Tarsem Choudhary, Pardeep Choudhary, Ankush Choudhary, Surinder Choudhary and Narayan Choudhary.

BJP will put an end to goon culture in Bishnupur Constituency: Kavinder



TT CORRESPONDENT
SONAMUKHI (WEST BENGAL) / JAMMU, JUNE 07: Senior BJP leader and former Deputy Chief Minister Kavinder Gupta while garnering support has vowed that if voted to power in upcoming Lok Sabha polls the BJP will end the goon culture from Bishnupur Constituency.

The BJP stalwart from J&K was addressing the Sanyukt Morcha Sammelan here falling under Bishnupur Lok Sabha Constituency.

Kavinder said that BJP is bound to end all the evils existing under the TMC Government in the state especially in Bishnupur Constituency's three main localities including Sonamukhi, Bishnupur and

Gangaghati. He said that BJP's victory in this Lok Sabha Constituency will ensure end of lawlessness, which is currently prevailing in the region due to Gunderaar of the party in power in West Bengal.

The senior BJP leader termed it unfortunate that two dedicated workers of BJP were ruthlessly killed by some unscrupulous elements in the Bishnupur Constituency. He said that the dismal political situation in the vicinity is known to one and all and the people are eager to bring BJP to power for ensuring fair deal to the common masses which are reeling under the fear of goon culture as bullying and discrimination have become the new norm in the region with people

getting traumatized on almost daily basis for raising voice against the party in power.

Kavinder said that vote to BJP will be the vote to justice and welfare of people unlike the pathetic situation prevailing today, where people's voice is being muzzled and over powered just to suppress the voice of common man, who is suffering badly under the authoritarian rule of TMC party.

He assured that BJP will end all the miseries of the people by continuing with its magnificent policies which have transformed the country in the last over nine years. He said that people of West Bengal support BJP in all the upcoming political battles to bring good governance in the State like other parts of the country as the region has lagged behind just because of a wrong decision taken by the people in the last Assembly polls.

Saying that better late than never, the senior BJP functionary said that people of West Bengal should vote BJP to power for ensuring double-engine government and colossal development of the region as under present State government the people are confronting hardships as never before.

Bukhari urges party cadres to stay proactive and dedicated in their service to the people



TT CORRESPONDENT
JAMMU, JUNE 07: Apni Party President Syed Mohammad Altaf Bukhari on Wednesday called upon the party leaders and senior workers to maintain an active and dedicated role in serving the people in their respective areas.

He emphasised that given the widespread public support for the party and people's trust in the party's agenda, it is morally obligatory for party members to establish strong connections with masses to serve them.

According to a press note issued here, Mr. Bukhari made these comments while addressing a party delegation consisting of leaders and senior workers from north Kashmir's Hundwara constituency. The delegation called on the party president to discuss certain party affairs and seek his advice in outlining the future strategy to strengthen the party further in their constituency. The

meeting was convened at the party headquarters at M2, Church Lane, in Srinagar. While addressing the occasion, Syed Mohammad Altaf Bukhari said, "We know this as a matter of fact that the Apni Party achieved remarkable public acceptance within a relatively short span of time after the party was established over three years ago. People trust us, and they have faith in our unambiguous agenda. They also have expectations that we will assist them in resolving the long-standing challenges that they are facing. It is, therefore, our duty to meet these expectations and fulfil our responsibility towards the people."

He advised the cadres to enhance their public outreach and remain politically active in their respective areas. He said, "I urge you to remain active and strongly bonded with the masses at the grassroots level. Our primary job is to serve the people in terms of ensuring

that their issues and grievances are highlighted and effectively communicated to the relevant authorities for prompt resolution."

The prominent party leaders who were present on the occasion included the chairman of the party's Parliamentary Affairs Committee Mohammad Dilawar Mir, Vice President Usman Majid, Provincial President, Kashmir, Mohammad Ashraf Mir, State Secretary Muntazir Mohiuddin, constituency in charge of Handwara Abdul Rashid Bhat, constituency coordinator Haji Abdul Raheem, and all the Block Presidents, Block Secretaries, and Zonal in charge from Hundwara constituency.

TT CORRESPONDENT
JAMMU, JUNE 07: Local unit of village Luddan Chack of Kathua of Dogra Swabhimaan Sangathan party organized a massive rally today.

While addressing the gathering Ch. Lal Singh strongly condemned the administrative apparatus of LG's administration, which is against the Dogra sentiment and behaving quite in an arbitrary manner. The government is quite insensitive towards the genuine issues of the public and breaking all rules and regu-

Civil rights & liberties are seen through cultural prism: Suresh

IIMC Jammu organised panel discussion on "Diversity, Inclusion, Mutual Respect"



TT CORRESPONDENT
JAMMU, JUNE 07: Suresh Kumar Sharma, Rtd. Principal District and Sessions Judge said that civil rights and liberties are seen through the cultural prism of India. India has diversity in all levels of the society and therefore the inclusion as well as mutual respect became important aspects of life. He was taking the occasion of a panel discussion on 'Diversity, Inclusion and Mutual Respect' organised by the joint collaboration of Indian Institute of Mass Communication (IIMC), Jammu and Vivekanand Kendra, Jammu at IIMC Campus on Wednesday.

On this occasion, Suresh Kumar Sharma underscored the connection between philosophy, religion, and environmental consciousness. He also discussed the importance of Dharma. He also elaborated on the cultural perspective of civil rights and liberties, shedding light on how these values are embedded within our societal fabric.

Manas Bhattacharjee of Vivekananda Kendra talked with the students and said, 'Dharma is sovereign and as a journalist, all of you must know what subjects are important for society and what are not. Moral values are our Dharma and no law can enforce you to follow these values.' He also shared valuable insights on the working groups in C20 and emphasized the importance of integrating global ideas while maintaining a strong local and Indian perspective. Mr. Bhattacharjee also talked about different shades of life and emphasized the need to balance the personal and social life.

Initially, Prof. Anil Saumitra, Regional Director, IIMC, Jammu presented his keynote address and gave introductory information about the significance of diversity, inclusion, and mutual respect in today's

world. In this session, Rohan Deva, Nipun Basotra, Araka Vatsa, Abhinav Kumar Srivastava, Krishna Gopal Shrivastava, Ambika Rashmi, Umesh, Lucky Kumar, Pratyaksh Dubey, the students of all the three courses, English Journalism, Hindi Journalism and Digital Media asked several questions based on the agenda of discussion. Aditi Kashyap, student of Hindi Journalism moderated the panel discussion. On this occasion Dr. Dilip Kumar, Dr. Vinit Utpal, Mr. Sant Kumar Sharma, Dr. P.S. Pathania, Dr. Bharti Gupta, I.K. Raina among all the students of IIMC were present.

PTTI Vijaypur organized lecture on Quality Investigation, VIP Security, Police Public Relations

TT CORRESPONDENT
JAMMU, JUNE 07: Sharmsher Singh Parihar, Retd. Dy.SP delivered an impressive lecture to Police Personnel and trainees of Police Technical Training Institute (PTTI) Vijaypur on Investigation, moral ethics, VIP Security and Police public relations.

Parihar who is renowned for his expertise in Investigations, shared his experiences with the Police personnel. He said while investigating a case, the Investigating Officer should emphasize towards five pillars of quality investigation viz. Analyzation and Instrumentation of scene of crime, Information, Interrogation, Supervision and Prosecution. He stressed upon the Police personnel to examine the scene of crime carefully and collect/preserve evidence properly for quality investigation of a case. He further highlighted the importance of cordial Police public relations as it provides

JKAACL organises "Meet the Author" Pritpal Singh Betab in Jammu

TT CORRESPONDENT
JAMMU, JUNE 07: The Jammu & Kashmir Academy of Art, Culture, and Languages (JKAACL), under the guidance of Shri Bharat Singh (JKAS), Secretary (JKAACL), organised Meet-the-Author at JKAACL premises in Jammu. The series intends to have a direct interaction of the writer with the audience, and these interactions shall aid the exploration of various life aspects and works which acts as a creative inspiration for the author/writer. Under this initiative, every weekend, the JKAACL shall host meet the authors of seven different languages: Urdu, Hindi, Kashmiri, Dogri, Punjabi, Gojri, and Pahari.

At the outset, Shri Bharat Singh (JKAS), Secretary (JKAACL), gave a heartfelt cordial welcome to everyone. While addressing the audience, he expressed that authors are the face of society. "They (authors) represent the inner thoughts of the social fabric through their ink, and it is indeed a special skill," mentions the Secretary. He, in his address, further added that we (at JKAACL) started this series to promote the direct interaction with the author whom we have read in books; this would enable the audience to know about their life, literary intellect, and struggle they had faced. It shall be a source of inspiration for all. It is a priceless opportunity to interact with these authors/writers and learn from their literary



Photo by Surinder

journeys. Today's event featured Pritpal Singh Betab, a renowned Urdu Ghazal writer, poet of international fame and retired IAS officer. Pritpal originally belongs to village Kharihar Sharmasal Distt. Poonch. Born on 26th July, 1949 AD, Betab graduated from Govt. Gandhi Memorial Science College Jammu, passed his Master's Degree in Political Science and LLB (professional) from Jammu University and joined J&K Government as Under Secretary in 1977 AD as a K.A.S. Officer. He shared his journey of literature with the audience. A face of modern Urdu poetry in J&K State, Betab published his 1st collection of Ghazals and Nazms entitled "Peshkhyama" in 1980 AD which received "Best Book Award" from J&K Cultural Academy in the year 1981-82. Betab published his second collection of poetry in 1984 AD entitled "Saraab-Dar-Saraab" and third collection entitled "KHUDRUNG" in 1995. The "Third Strand" a translation of Betab's Urdu

Nazms in English was published by "Writers' Workshop Calcutta" in 1999 AD. Another Ghazal collection of Betab in Devnagri Script entitled "Cactus-Aur-Gulab" was also published in the year 1999 AD. "Mauj-e-Reig" a collection of Betab's Ghazals published in the year 2003 AD received "Bhasha-Bharti Sammaan 2004-05" from Central Institute of Indian Languages Mysore.

Betab's poetry has been published in scores of literary magazines in India as well as Pakistan and some other countries also. Betab has attended hundreds of seminars, mushairas in various cities of India so far.

Dr. Shahnaz Qaderi Conducted the Proceedings. The dignitaries and writers at the event included Padamshree Dr. Jitender Udhamपुरi, Ahmed Shanas, besides all renowned poet and authors of other languages.

Dr. Shah Nawaz, Editor cum Cultural officer, Gojri presented the vote of Thanks.

Jammu Smart City Ltd, organised a workshop on the eve of World Food Safety Day!

TT CORRESPONDENT
JAMMU, JUNE 07: Food safety is a shared responsibility between governments, producers, and consumers. Everybody has a role to play from farm to table to ensure the food we consume is safe and will not cause damage to our health. Through the World Food Safety Day, Honourable PM Sh. Narendra Modi ji envisions mainstreaming food safety in the public agenda and reducing the burden of foodborne diseases. World Food Safety Day was celebrated across the globe on 07 June every year, in this context and under the Eat Right Initiatives, Jammu smart city has organised a one day workshop on world food safety Day to generate awareness of food safety among the stakeholders and general public



Photo by Surinder

with this year theme "Food Standards Save Lives".

The Workshop on Food Safety with Hygiene and Sanitation for Street Food Vendors and Meat and poultry handlers was organised under the Eat Right Initiatives of Jammu Smart City Ltd (JSC) which is also among the top 11 smart cities in India in the recently concluded Eat Right Smart City Challenge, a Nationwide campaign by FSSAI.

The Workshop Chief Guest, Honourable Chairman Health & Sanitation, Sh. Arun Khanna, launched the workshop and while addressing it, he said that this is such an important topic for which stakeholders and the public in general need to sensitize at the mass level and take this movement to every household.

Kulbhushan Khajuria, Joint Commissioner, Health and Sanitation as Guest of Honour has highlighted the importance of this programme and appreciated JSC initiative to be carried out at the root level. Dr. Vinod Sharma, Municipal Medical Officer was a special guest and he also explained the action taken by the municipality on the topic.

The programme was designed to highlight the essentials of Hygiene and Sanitation and what further steps can be taken to sensitize the general public at the mass level and to take this movement to every household, the programme was introduced by Dr. Parvesh Kumar, Project Coordinator, Eat Right Initiatives and Dr. Sushil Sharma, Nodal Officer, Eat Right Initiatives, Jammu Smart City Ltd.

Dr. Sushil Sharma and Mr. Satish Kumar, an IEC consultant from Mavis IT Services Pvt Ltd, New Delhi jointly presented a detailed presentation on the "Role of Hygiene and Sanitation in Meat and Poultry". Associate Prof. Ashwani Khajuria, and Dr. Divya Sharma delivered presentations on various facets of food safety practices, in meat and slaughtering etc. Later, the function was concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Parvesh Kumar.

Bukhari extends greetings to the Hajj pilgrims

TT CORRESPONDENT
SRINAGAR, JUNE 07: As the first batch of Hajj pilgrims from Jammu and Kashmir embarked on their sacred journey, Apni Party President Syed Mohammad Altaf Bukhari extended his heartfelt greetings to all the aspirants of J&K who are going on the spiritual journey of Hajj this year. In his message, Apni Party President appealed to the pilgrims to pray for sustained peace and prosperity in Jammu and Kashmir during their pilgrimage. He said, "May Almighty showers His grace upon you and illuminate your sacred journey."

LGs administration known for breaking rules with impunity: Lal Singh

TT CORRESPONDENT
JAMMU, JUNE 07: Local unit of village Luddan Chack of Kathua of Dogra Swabhimaan Sangathan party organized a massive rally today.



Photo by Surinder

lations with impunity which is evidently clear in its so-called demolition drive. Ch. Lal Singh further said that

take this battle to the logical conclusion and the forces trying to sabotage the interest of Dogras, would have to lick dust as the people have identified real enemies.

Ch. Lal Singh while extending welcome to the new entrants in the party, expressed confidence that our party is getting consolidated day by day as the people of Jammu have been disillusioned with the fake promise of the present regime. Farmers, Students, youth, laborers, and even employees of Jammu are

frustrated and ready to come on the roads to fight against this regime. The only panacea to the present crisis is the Separate state for Jammu with Article 371, said Ch Lal Singh in his hard-hitting speech.

The program was organized by the local youth leaders of the village. The prominent among those who participated in the meeting included Prof. H.R. Sharma, Vice President Mrs. Suman wazir, Advocate Parmveer Singh, Jatinder Pappu, Romesh Gehloch, Sunil Dutt. etc.