

## BJP organizes blood donation and medical camp at Kupwara under Seva Pakhwada



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**KUPWARA, SEPT. 18 :** As part of the ongoing Seva Pakhwada to mark the 75th birthday of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the Jammu & Kashmir Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) organized a Blood Donation Camp at Sub-District Hospital (SDH) Kupwara. The initiative was inaugurated by BJP General Secretary (Organization) J&K, Ashok Koul, in the presence of senior party leaders and local functionaries.

The camp witnessed enthusiastic participation from BJP workers, supporters, and members of the local community who came forward to donate blood voluntarily. Following the blood donation drive, a medical camp was also organized at the venue. The camp adopted a multi-disciplinary approach to provide medical consultations and distribute essential medicines free of cost to the needy patients.

J&K BJP State General Secretary Anwar Khan, Secretary & Prabhari Kupwara Wani Mudasi, State Media Co-Incharge Adv. Sajid Yousuf Shah, District President Kupwara Rafiq Shah, along with other senior party activists.

Addressing the gathering at SDH Kupwara, Ashok Koul said that the Seva Pakhwada is not merely a campaign but a collective effort to reach out to society with compassion, responsibility, and dedication. He said that the Prime Minister Narendra Modi has always emphasized that service to humanity is the true service to the nation.

"Today's blood donation camp and medical services are small steps towards ensuring that no one is deprived of timely health care. The people of Kupwara have shown tremendous spirit by participating in large numbers, and this reflects the shared resolve to strengthen the bond of service and humanity", he said.

Anwar Khan, speaking on the occasion, said that the BJP remains committed to uplifting the underprivileged, addressing local health concerns, and ensuring that the benefits of welfare schemes and initiatives reach every household.

## NSF celebrates 142th birth anniversary of

### Madan Lal Dhingra

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**JAMMU, SEPT. 18 :** National Secular Forum (NSF), organized a program in University Campus and on the Birth anniversary of Madan Lal Dhingra who laid his life for the country. Amid slogans "Madan Lal Dhingra" "inquilaab Zindabad" "Bharat Mata ki jai" and they paid tributes to Madan Lal Dhingra and garlanded the portraits of the son of soil.

Ankush Abrol Provincial Joint Secretary JKNC was the chief guest while Dr. Vikas Sharma Coordinator and Secretary central Zone JKNC, presided over the function and Dr Sukhdev Singh, President NSF was the guest of honour.

Speaking on the occasion, Ankush Abrol appreciated the efforts of NSF members to come forward and organized these functions and appealed to the youth to come forward to eliminate all evils from the society.

Abrol threw light on the life of martyr Madan Lal Dhingra who was born on 18 September 1883 in Amritsar. He went to London in 1906 to study engineering. His father, Dr Ditta Mal, retired as the Government Civil Surgeon and had twenty-one houses in Katra Sher Singh and six bungalows on G.T. Road. He also said that Thirty-one years later Udhham Singh followed the same path and was executed on July 31, 1940 under almost similar circumstances.

Speaking on the occasion Dr Vikas Sharma threw light on the life history of Madan Lal Dhingra and appreciated the efforts of NSF. He was sentenced to death. After the judge announced his verdict, Dhingra is said to have stated: "I am proud to have the honour of laying down my life for my country. But remember, we shall have our time in the days to come". He represented himself during his trial but did not recognize the legitimacy of the court. He stated that his assassination was done in the name of Indian independence and that his actions were motivated by patriotism. Madan Lal Dhingra was hanged on 17 August 1909 at Pentonville Prison.

He also said that we all should take oath not to sit silent and continue our endeavor to regain Jammu and Kashmir State. He further said that J&K suffered immensely due to misadventures of the Centre. Post abrogation of statehood people here were suffering due to rising unemployment, inflation and discrimination. Dr Sharma urged the youth to come together on a single platform to push for this demand. NC would leave no stone unturned to achieve statehood for J&K.

Sukhdev Singh and Vikash Vashist State Secretary NSF also spoke on the occasion.

Roshan Sharma President Jammu District NSF delivered the welcome address; Abhishek Uppal Chairman Jammu District was delivering the vote of thanks. Among those who were present on the occasion included Vineet Gupta, Irfan Ahmed, Mohd Rafiq, Adil, Varun Singh and Puneet Sharma.

## Owais Ali Bhat foundation urges govt to

## announce special package for flood hit families

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**JAMMU, SEPT. 18 :** Owais Ali Bhat foundation was established 3 years before in Jammu and Kashmir by the Chairman Owais Ali Bhat (an educationist, philanthropist, social worker).

Aim of the foundation: The aim to establish the foundation was to help needy and poor people.

Work done by the foundation so far Owais Ali bhat foundation has done lot of work in education, drug related issues and also women education related things. Recent work by the foundation: Jammu and Kashmir has recently witnesses it's worst flood situation in low lying areas near Ravi river in Jammu and Jhelum river in Kashmir. The volunteers of this foundation are working to get essential food items like rice, milk, Water bottles, dals etc in these areas. The foundation volunteers are working in district Budgam areas like Zanipoora, Taingan, Pohru, Lasjan in Kashmir and District Jammu in Gujjar Nagar and other low lying areas of Jammu. The Chairman of this foundation himself met several affected families in Kashmir as well as in Jammu and assured them to provide everything they will need in these difficult times. It's heartbreaking to see these people suffering and how they are managing in difficult times, he said most of the people in these effected areas are poor and have lost almost everything and they are dependent on what we are giving them to eat.

# IG Sinha to inaugurate National seminar on ' Bhartiya Bhashaon Mein Ekaatmata ' at NIT Srinagar

### TT CORRESPONDENT

### SRINAGAR, SEPT.

**18 :** Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir, Manoj Sinha, will inaugurate a one-day national seminar on the theme "Bhartiya Bhashaon Mein Ekaatmata" as part of Hindi Pakhwada celebrations by Rajbhasha Cell at National Institute of Technology (NIT) Srinagar on Friday, September 19, 2025.

The seminar is being organised by the Rajbhasha Cell of NIT Srinagar in collaboration with Bhartiya Bhasha Samiti (Ministry of Education), Government of India, New Delhi. Academic collaboration will be done by Shiksha Sanskriti Utthan, New Delhi, Bhartiya Bhasha Manch Nyas, and Department of Hindi, University of Kashmir.

The initiative forms a central part of the ongoing Hindi Pakhwada celebrations (September 14-28) at the institute, aiming to highlight the significance of Indian languages in fos-

tering unity, inclusivity, and cultural integration.

The inaugural session will be graced by LG, Manoj Sinha as the Chief Guest, Atul Bhai Kothari, National Secretary of Shiksha Sanskriti Utthan Nyas, New Delhi, will attend as the Guest of Honour. Director NIT Srinagar, Prof. Binod Kumar Kanaujia, is the Chief Patron of the seminar.

The seminar is being funded by the Bhartiya Bhasha Samiti (MOE), New Delhi. The organising team includes Dr. Rajesh Prasad Shukla (Hindi Officer), Dr. Vijay Kumar, Dr. H. S. Pali, and Dr. Jitendra Gurjar.

Other notable attendees will include Anil Kumar Joshi and Dr. Geeta Nayak, members of the Central Executive of Bhartiya Bhasha Samiti, New Delhi, along with Dr. V. Dayalu, Convener of Bhartiya Bhasha Manch (North Zone).

The dignitaries invited include Prof. A. Ravinder Nath, Vice Chancellor,

Central University of Kashmir; Prof. Nilofar Khan, Vice Chancellor, University of Kashmir; Prof. Nazir Ahmad Ganai, Vice Chancellor, SKUAST-K; Prof. B. N. Tripathi, Vice Chancellor, SKUAST-Jammu; Prof. Sanjeev Jain, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Jammu; Prof. Umesh Roy, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu; Prof. Pragati Kumar, Vice Chancellor, SMVDU, along with other eminent guests.

In his message, Director NIT Srinagar, Prof. Binod Kumar Kanaujia, said the institute is honoured to host a seminar of national relevance at a time when preserving linguistic heritage is critical. "Indian languages are not just a means of communication but also a reflection of our collective history, culture, and identity. This seminar will serve as a platform to deepen our understanding of linguistic unity and strengthen the values of national integra-

tion," Prof. Kanaujia said. He emphasised that the seminar will provide an opportunity for scholars and students to engage in meaningful dialogue on how language diversity can be harmonised to reinforce national solidarity.

Registrar NIT Srinagar, Prof. Atikur Rehman, said Institute has always championed initiatives showcasing India's linguistic and cultural vibrancy. "At NIT Srinagar, we consistently encourage activities that highlight India's linguistic and cultural richness. The seminar aligns with our commitment to promote inclusivity, knowledge exchange, and respect for the diversity of Indian languages," he said.

Prof. Rehman added that the event will inspire the younger generation to value linguistic plurality as an asset to nation-building. Eminent scholars, academicians, students, and faculty members representing diverse linguistic traditions from across the country will participate. The semi-

nar will feature keynote addresses, scholarly lectures, and panel discussions focused on the interconnectedness of Indian languages.

The seminar will deliberate on the idea that while India is home to 22 scheduled languages and hundreds of dialects, they remain deeply connected, reflecting the nation's shared identity. The discussions will revolve around three thematic dimensions: Unity in Indian languages and translation, skill development and technology, and one emotion, many languages.

Speakers will underline how linguistic diversity enriches India's cultural heritage while also contributing to social cohesion. The Rajbhasha Cell of NIT Srinagar is playing a pivotal role in organising the seminar. The Cell has been instrumental in implementing the Government of India's Official Language Policy, mandated under Articles

343 to 351 of the Constitution. In recent years, NIT Srinagar has significantly enhanced the use of bilingual documentation under Section 3(3) of the Official Languages Act, 1963-rising from 0.05 percent to 75 percent. The event coincides with Hindi Pakhwada, celebrated nationwide from September 14-28. The observance commemorates Hindi Day on September 14, marking the adoption of Hindi as the official language in 1949.

At NIT Srinagar, the fortnight is being marked through essay writing, poetry recitation, debates, workshops, and quizzes to promote Hindi in official work and everyday communication.

The seminar will also highlight the role of the Indian Language Committee, established by the Ministry of Education in November 2021, to promote holistic development of Indian languages under the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.

# CSR funds amplify societal & economic impacts: LG Kavinder

## Reiterates commitment of UT Admin in empowering people

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### JAMMU, SEPT. 18 :

Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh, Shri Kavinder Gupta, highlighted the pivotal role of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) in accelerating development by supplementing government initiatives in education, healthcare, rural infrastructure, environment, and skill development. He said CSR investments not only strengthen public-private partnerships but also enhance public trust by creating visible social and economic impact, particularly in challenging terrains like Ladakh.

In a meeting with representatives of HDFC Bank and its implementing partners, including CII Foundation, Citizens Foundation, Himmothan Society, and Partnering Hope Into Action (PHIA) Foundation, the Lt Governor underlined that



CSR funds contribute significantly to sustainable growth and economic stability. He noted that initiatives by leading companies improve the quality of life by providing access to essential amenities, empowering women and youth through skill development, and fostering local entrepreneurship and job creation.

Earlier, the organisations briefed the Lt Governor on their ongoing work in Ladakh, which includes waste collection and management, developing an

apricot value chain in Sham region, promoting renewable energy, training women self-help groups in handloom and handicrafts, and supporting vulnerable communities through poverty alleviation, entrepreneurship, and capacity-building initiatives.

The Lt Governor assured all possible support from the Administration to ensure that CSR-linked programmes reach grassroots communities effectively and create long-term impact. On the sidelines, the Lt Governor also met

delegations from different parts of Ladakh. The Ladakh Buddhist Association sought assistance for the construction of a sarai in Kargil. A group of villagers from Trans-Singge La requested a delimitation exercise to ensure equal representation, while a delegation from Sheynam sought help for fencing community pastures and grazing lands.

The Lt Governor reiterated that CSR-driven partnerships between government, the corporate sector, and civil society are crucial for addressing Ladakh's unique developmental challenges and building resilient communities. He assured continued support from the Administration to scale up impactful initiatives that empower people, strengthen local economies, and contribute to the Union Territory's sustainable growth.

# Campaign for Saturation of FI Schemes at Gram Panchayat level in all districts



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### JAMMU, SEPT. 18 :

Reserve Bank of India has been actively associating itself with the nation-wide intensive campaign launched by Department of Financial Services (DFS), Ministry of Finance, Government of India (GoI), during July 01, 2025, to September 30, 2025, covering all Gram Panchayats (GPs) across all districts of the country, with the objective to achieve, inter alia, saturation of beneficiaries under the FI schemes of GoI and re-KYC of eligible accounts.

Accordingly, saturation camps are being organized in all gram panchayats of the UT of J&K (i.e. 4291 GPs) through nodal bank branches and with active involvement of all other stakeholders, viz., bank branches having presence in the concerned gram panchayat, Business

Correspondents (BCs)/ CSPs of the concerned banks, public representatives, government functionaries, LDMs etc.

In line with the directions, State Bank of India organized a Saturation Camp on 18th September 2025 at Community Hall, E.O. Office, opp. BDO, Block Vijaypur.

The event was graced by Chandrashekhar Azad, Regional Director, RBI Jammu, as Chief Guest. Other notable dignitaries included Smt. Vibha Gupta, Deputy General Manager, RBI; Mitesh Sharma, Rajneesh, Subin Kundal, AGM, Reserve Bank of India; Ankur Kumar Sharma, Regional Manager, RBO-III, State Bank of India; Chander Mohan Bhat, Asstt General Manager, State Bank of India; Smt. Tanjeet Kour (CM FI), Subash Chander (LDM Samba), Sh. Rajesh Kumar Mehta

(Manager FI RBO-III), Amul Bhatia (BM SBI Vijaypur), Anil Kumar from State Bank of India and officials from other banks also participated. During the conduct of these camps, accounts are being opened for unbanked adults under PMJDY.

Further, to achieve the objective of comprehensive financial inclusion of all as envisaged under PMJDY, enrolments under Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY), Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY) and Atal Pension Yojana (APY) are being done for the eligible beneficiaries. On-spot re-KYC is also being done for all eligible accounts (including PMJDY and non-PMJDY accounts) where re-KYC was due as on June 30, 2025, or falling due during July 01, 2025, to June 30, 2026.

Also, awareness sessions on digital fraud prevention and ways to access unclaimed deposit & grievance redressal are an integral part of these camps. Above campaign will help bring millions of unbanked/uninsured individuals into the banking fold and lay the foundation for inclusive and sustainable economic growth.

# Govt Polytechnic Reasi organised awarness programe on "Disaster Management" under ongoing Sewa Parv

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### JAMMU, SEPT. 18 :

Government Polytechnic College in collaboration with State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) Reasi successfully today organised a training and awareness program on Disaster Management in the college which was attended by the staff and approx. 250 students.

The programme was organised as a part of on-going 'Sewa Parv' from 17th September to 2nd October 2025, organised under the guidance of Administrative Department Skill Development Department (J&K) and District Administration Reasi. The programme was conducted under the supervision of Deputy Superintendent of Police DAR Sarbjeet Singh. The programme was conducted under the able guidance of Arun Bangotra Principal of College who thanked the team from SDRF on successful completion of this programme aimed to build a more prepared and resilient community.

The Incharge team from SDRF DPL line ASI Suresh Kumar and instructors Nirmal Kumar and Kashmir Singh and team members CT Narinder



Kumar and Bharat Bushan provided critical knowledge and skills to staff and students, focused on equipping individuals with the tools to respond effectively to various emergency situations. The students were provided with essential skills, including disaster preparedness, "Do's and Don'ts" for different types of disasters, including earthquakes, floods, landslides, and clobursts. The program also included a practical sessions on C P R (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation), fire fighting, and managing road accidents. Students were instructed on essential first aid techniques, including FBAD (Foreign Body Airway Obstruction) and different types of bleeding, and how to properly apply splinting and bandages. The training also covered

safe methods for lifting and moving individuals with fractures in emergency situations. By empowering citizens with these lifesaving skills, the SDRF aims to create a network of first responders who can act swiftly and effectively during times of crisis. The program also addressed the critical social issues, including drug abuse and women empowerment, for holistic community development beyond disaster response. On the occasion student and staff also took pledge on Nasha Mukh Bharat Abhiyan. The programme was coordinated by Mr Ajay Dogra, Instructor of the college. Other present on the occasion were staff of the college including, Mr Himanshu Bakshi, Mr Sunil Kumar, Mr Parshotam Lal, staff members of SDRF, and students of the college.

The training also covered