

JKPDP leader Narinder Sharma pays tribute to Martyrs on Shaheedi Diwas

Floral tributes paid at Kotli; youth urged to uphold martyrs' ideals

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RS Pura: Senior Jammu and Kashmir Peoples Democratic Party (JKPDP) leader Narinder Sharma on Sunday led party workers in paying rich tributes to the legendary freedom fighters Bhagat Singh, Sukhdev Thapar and Shivaram Rajguru to mark Shaheedi Diwas at Panchayat Kotli Shah Doula in the RS Pura constituency. The commemorative programme witnessed enthusiastic participation from party workers, local residents, youth and prominent members of the area.

The event began with the lighting of candles and the offering of floral tributes to the portraits of the martyrs, followed by a two-minute silence in their honour. The atmosphere remained solemn yet inspiring as speakers



recalled the fearless struggle and supreme sacrifice made by the young revolutionaries for the country's independence. Patriotic slogans were raised, reflecting deep respect and admiration for their legacy. Addressing the gathering, Narinder Sharma underscored the historical

importance of Shaheedi Diwas and said that the sacrifices of Bhagat Singh, Sukhdev and Rajguru are not merely chapters of history but living ideals that continue to guide the nation. He said their courage, conviction and spirit of selflessness serve as a timeless reminder of

the price paid for the freedom that citizens enjoy today. Sharma emphasized that in the present times, it is essential to imbibe the values of honesty, unity and dedication shown by these martyrs. He urged the youth to channel their energy towards constructive nation-building and to

stand firm against injustice, corruption and social evils. "The legacy of our martyrs teaches us to rise above personal interests and work for the greater good of society and the nation," he added.

Highlighting the role of young generations, he said that the future of the country lies in their hands and called upon them to follow the path of discipline, hard work and patriotism. He further stressed the need to preserve the spirit of brotherhood and communal harmony, which the freedom fighters stood for.

Several party workers and local speakers also addressed the gathering, sharing their views on the relevance of the martyrs' ideology in today's socio-political scenario. They reiterated the importance of safeguarding democratic values and strengthening national unity. The programme concluded with participants collectively reaffirming their commitment to uphold the ideals of the freedom struggle and to contribute meaningfully towards building a peaceful, progressive and inclusive society.

ESI medical camp organized at Rich Harvest School

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RHS successfully organized an ESI Medical Camp today for the benefit of its staff. The camp was conducted under the expert guidance of Dr. Vishal Gupta along with his dedicated medical team. The initiative aimed at promoting health awareness and ensuring timely medical check-ups. A large number of beneficiaries availed the services, which included general health consultations, basic screenings and medical advice. The team provided valuable guidance on maintaining a healthy lifestyle, preventive care and early detection of common ailments. Dr. Vishal Gupta and his team ensured that each individual received

proper attention and care, making the camp highly effective and impactful. The camp was well-organized and witnessed enthusiastic participation from all sections. Mrs. Ruch Charak, Director of Rich Harvest School, expressed heartfelt gratitude to Dr. Vishal and his team for their commendable service and contribution towards community welfare. Such initiatives reflect the institution's commitment to holistic well-being and social responsibility, and witnessed enthusiastic participation from all sections. Mrs. Ruch Charak, Director of Rich Harvest School, expressed heartfelt gratitude to Dr. Vishal and his team for their commendable serv-

Unidentified man dies after falling from Train;

GRP seeks identification

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GDC Ramgarh organizes awareness programme on Mission Yuva

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An awareness programme on Mission Yuva was organized at Government Degree College, Ramgarh with the objective of informing and guiding students about various opportunities related to skill development, entrepreneurship, career planning, and employment generation. The programme aimed to encourage the youth to become self-reliant, confident, and professionally skilled so that they can contribute effectively to society and the nation.

The programme was conducted under the able guidance of the Principal of the college, Prof. Dr. Meeru Abrol, whose continuous support and encouragement played an important role in the successful organization of the event. The Nodal Officer, Dr. Shivali Panigotra, coordinated the programme and ensured the active participation of students. She highlighted the importance of Mission Yuva in shaping the future of young individuals by providing them with proper direction, awareness, and opportunities for skill enhancement. On this occasion, Principal Prof. Dr. Meeru Abrol addressed the stu-

dents and delivered an inspiring speech. She emphasized the significance of youth empowerment and motivated the students to make full use of the opportunities provided under Mission Yuva. She encouraged the students to focus on developing practical skills, improving their knowledge, and exploring different career options. She further advised the students to work hard with dedication and determination in order to achieve success in life. Her words inspired the students to think positively about their future and to become responsible citizens who can contribute to the development of society. During the programme, Mr. Ashok Kumar (PTI) showed awareness videos related to Mission Yuva. These videos provided detailed information about the objectives, benefits, and various schemes associated with the programme. The videos helped students understand how Mission Yuva supports youth in areas such as entrepreneurship, vocational training, career counselling, and employment opportunities. The visual presentation made the session more interactive and informative, allowing students to gain

Project RISE empowers Reasi youth with gender awareness & self-defence

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Jammu & Kashmir Bank, under its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative Project RISE (Respecting Identities | Promoting Equality), organized a series of gender sensitization and self-defence awareness programmes in Reasi district. The initiative was implemented by Live For Others - Being Helpful Foundation (LFO-BHF) as part of its ongoing outreach across Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, aimed at promoting equality, dignity, mutual respect, and personal safety among students.

Under Project RISE, awareness sessions were conducted at Government Higher Secondary School, Aghar Jitto; Government Higher Secondary School, Panthal which were led by Mr. Vivek Parihar, where as in Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Katra; and Government Model Higher Secondary School, Katra, sessions were led by Ms. Stuti Abrol. The sessions engaged students on issues related to gender sensitivity, respectful



behaviour, and inclusive social values.

A major highlight of the programme was the self-defence awareness component, where students were introduced to basic practical techniques to enhance personal safety, build self-confidence, and respond effectively in challenging situations. Through this initiative, a total of 1,530 students were sensitized across various educational institutions in Reasi district. Speaking on the occasion, the resource person stated that the programme aimed to empower students by combining awareness with action, enabling them to understand the significance of equality and respect while

also equipping them with essential self-protection skills. The programme received an encouraging response from students, teachers, and school authorities, who appreciated the interactive and practical nature of the sessions. The discussions and demonstrations fostered active participation and reinforced the importance of sensitivity, safety, and responsible conduct in everyday life. Members who were present during the sessions are Aditya Singh, Ritik, Tarun Sharma, Rishub Singh and many more. A major highlight of the programme was the self-defence awareness component, where students were introduced to basic

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Shaheedi Diwas marked with patriotic zeal at GDC Darhal

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Government Degree College Darhal solemnly observed "Shaheedi Diwas" on "23rd March 2026" in compliance with the directions issued by the district administration. The programme was organized to commemorate the supreme sacrifices of India's freedom fighters, especially Bhagat Singh, Rajguru, and Sukhdev Thapar, whose martyrdom continues to inspire generations. The observance began with a formal tribute to the martyrs followed by a series of academic and cultural activities reflecting the spirit of patriotism and national pride. In accordance with official guidelines, the programme included emphasis on the history and legacy of "Vande Mataram", highlighting its role in the Indian freedom struggle.

The event was organized under the able guidance of the worthy Principal, "Prof. Zameer Ahmed Mirza", who presided over the function. In his address, he elaborated on the importance of Shaheedi Diwas and stressed the need to remember and honor the sacrifices of the martyrs. He emphasized that such observances are essential for instilling patriotism, discipline, and national consciousness among the youth. He further



highlighted that the ideals of sacrifice, courage, and commitment to the nation remain highly relevant in contemporary society. A major highlight of the programme was the "comprehensive and insightful" lecture delivered by Dr. Atta Ul Rehman Malik, Head, Department of Political Science*. He presented a detailed historical account of the Indian National Movement, focusing on the revolutionary phase of the struggle. He elaborated upon the life, ideology, and sacrifices of Bhagat Singh, Rajguru, and Sukhdev Thapar, emphasizing their fearless resistance against British colonial rule. Dr. Malik

also gave a vivid account of the historic events of "23rd March 1931", when these three great revolutionaries were executed by the British government in Lahore. He explained how their execution was carried out ahead of the scheduled time in secrecy to avoid public unrest, and how their martyrdom sparked a wave of nationalism across India. He underlined that their sacrifice was not only an act of resistance but also a symbol of courage, unity, and unwavering dedication to the motherland. Another important lecture was delivered by "Prof. Taseem Ahmed, Head, Department of Geography",

who highlighted the geographical and social dimensions of the Indian freedom struggle. He emphasized how regional diversity and collective unity contributed significantly to the success of the national movement. He also stressed the importance of awareness, planning, and responsible citizenship in strengthening the nation.

In line with the official directions regarding "mass singing of "Vande Mataram", the programme witnessed enthusiastic participation from both students and faculty members. The entire gathering collectively sang "Vande Mataram" with great zeal and patriotic spirit,

creating an atmosphere filled with national pride and emotional unity. The mass singing not only paid tribute to the freedom fighters but also reinforced the values of unity, respect, and devotion towards the nation. The event marked the beginning of a week-long campaign during which the national song will be sung daily in the institution, ensuring maximum participation of students and staff. Students actively participated in the programme, showing keen interest and deep respect for the sacrifices of the martyrs. Their engagement in discussions and cultural expressions reflected a strong sense of national responsibility and awareness. The programme was attended by esteemed faculty members including "Prof. Ghulam Abbas, Dr. Mohd Akhlaq, Dr. Raja Shahid, Dr. Mohd Shakeel Kataria, Dr. Mohd Shakoor, Dr. Atta Ul Rehman Malik, Prof. Beenish Mir, Dr. Abdul Ghani Majid, Mr. Altaf Hussain, and Mr. Jameel Ahmed", whose presence added dignity and strength to the occasion. The entire programme was smoothly coordinated by the NSS Unit of the college. Proper arrangements were made to ensure discipline, participation, and effective conduct of all activities, in

AAP leader Gurmeet Singh Baaghi demands justice for Chittisinghpura victims

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In a statement, AAP leader and social activist Gurmeet Singh Baaghi expressed grave concern and reiterated the demand for justice for the victims of the Chittisinghpura massacre. Raising a poignant question, he said, "Who killed 35 Sikhs at Chittisinghpura?" and lamented that even after 26 years, justice continues to elude the affected families. Baaghi emphasized that justice delayed is justice denied and pointed out that a credible and transparent investigation into the killings is yet to be undertaken. He termed the massacre a permanent stain on humanitarian values, adding that such a tragic incident can never be for-

gotten. He noted that the families of the victims continue to wait for justice, carrying the pain of losing their loved ones.

Recalling the incident, he said that on March 20, 2000, gunmen entered Chittisinghpura village in Anantnag and brutally shot dead 35 Sikh men who had gathered near a gurdwara. He added that the massacre, which coincided with the visit of then US President Bill Clinton to India, raised serious concerns and has since been viewed as part of a larger conspiracy. Baaghi said the Sikh community, both locally and globally, has consistently demanded an impartial probe to uncover the truth and bring the culprits to justice. He urged the govern-