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Leh celebrates 5th Ladakh dPal-rNgam-Duston

Thiksey Khanpo Rinpoche receives Ladakh dPal-rNgam-Duston 2021 award



His Eminence Thiksey Khanpo Rinpoche while receiving the 5th Ladakh dPal rNgam award.

Reach Ladakh Correspondent

LEH: Fifth 'Ladakh dPal rNgam Duston' on the occasion of UT Ladakh foundation day was celebrated with great enthusiasm in Leh on October 31.

His Eminence Thiksey Khanpo Rinpoche was conferred with the 5th Ladakh dPal rNgam award for his immense contribution to the Ladakhi society.

Asserting that Ladakh has a bright future, Lieutenant Governor, Ladakh, RK Mathur said, "Ladakh has a bright future and the youth is our asset. UT Administration would support in engaging them productively in the pursuit of the dreams of the people of Ladakh."

He stated that the people of Ladakh have access to vast opportunities as the region is home to many high-potential resources.

Highlighting the achievements of UT Ladakh, LG Mathur stated that the UT Administration has been in a develop-

ment mode over the past two years. He stressed the need to improve health, education, and infrastructure as the priority sectors for the administration.

During the occasion, the logo of UT Ladakh Tourism, an e-book on two years of achievement of UT Ladakh was released and virtually inaugurated the oxygen plant at Tangtse in Durbuk, Nyoma, sewage treatment plant (STP), and the 20-bedded hospital at GM Pore in Kargil. LG Mathur also laid the foundation stone of the Police Control Room and UT DRF Headquarter and e-inaugurated helipads at various locations in Leh and Kargil districts.

Addressing the gathering, CEC Tashi Gyalsen stated that Ladakh was granted the status of Union Territory due to the contribution of its able leaders, including the veteran and current political and spiritual leaders. He added that the dream

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Sonam Wangyal remembered on his 23rd death anniversary



Thupstan Chhewang, President LBA while paying tribute to the Former Minister, Late Sonam Wangyal on his 23rd death anniversary at his memorial stupa.

Tenzin Dajon

LEH: Former Minister, Late Sonam Wangyal was remembered and tributes poured in on his 23rd death anniversary at his memorial stupa on November 10.

Deputy Chairman, Hill Council, Leh, Tsering Angchuk said, "He was known as the leader of voiceless and the poor. His contribution to Ladakh is uncountable, including removing tax (thal) and forced order (ulak). He had worked on education when the literacy rate in Ladakh was very low. He voluntarily joined the home guard to counter the Kabili attack after independence."

He also informed the gathering that under the chairmanship of late Dr. Sonam Dawa, a resolution has been passed to name the open stadium at Spituk after him. He assured Sonam Wangyal Memorial Society that an effort will be made

to name the stadium after late Sonam Wangyal with the help of CEC and ECs in the council.

Thupstan Chhewang, President LBA congratulated SWMS for continuously reminding the contributions of late Sonam Wangyal for 23 years. He said any leaders who have contributed to the society of Ladakh whether in politics or society must be remembered. He said that except for his families, relatives, and friends, such events should be joined by other associations and the public to understand his contributions to Ladakh.

Sonam Wangyal served Kushok Bakula Rinpoche (KBR) as his right hand for a long time therefore, he had played a very important role in shaping the modern Ladakh. We cannot ignore such personality, he added.

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L-G Mathur calls on Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh

Reach Ladakh Correspondent

NEW DELHI: Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh, RK Mathur met Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh and discussed about developing an appropriate technology for harvesting Sea Buckthorn berries and methods to promote commercial cultivation of the berries in Ladakh.

Lieutenant Governor spoke of the enormous scope for entrepreneurs in the sector as the plant can be used for producing more than 100 varieties of products. Deliberations were also held on engaging Self Help Groups (SHGs) in the said sector for generating livelihood opportunities.

He also discussed about the need for zinc fortification for the Pashmina goats of Changthang region, so as to cater to their dietary requirements to treat skin diseases observed in the population due to zinc deficiency, as projected by a study conducted by Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR).

Development of a leather industry to utilize the naturally available hide was also discussed



in the presence of Dr. Shekhar C. Mande, Director General of CSIR. LG Mathur appreciated CSIR who are working in Ladakh through six of their labs.

Endeavors in the field of Geo-thermal were also discussed with the Union Minister, in addition to initiating pilots for harvesting Tulip flower bulbs for export purposes, as Ladakh was found to possess the ideal geographical characteristics for planting such bulbs.

Discussing efforts being made regarding development of the Dark Sky Sanctuary at Hanle, Lieutenant Governor stated that the UT Administration is in the process of arranging require-

ments such as lampshades, dark curtains, etc and requested for Indian Institute of Astrophysics' (IIA) assistance in procurement of telescopes with integrated Wi-Fi and setting up of mobile and static planetariums. Training of local entrepreneurs for operating the devices/equipment was also discussed.

The Lieutenant Governor discussed fixation of cadre strength for the three All India Services in Ladakh along with the creation of subordinate services cadres with the Minister of the Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT), while expressing gratitude for granting a centre for Civil Services examination at Leh.

District Magistrate, Leh, reviews Covid-19 situation

Reach Ladakh Correspondent

LEH: Deputy Commissioner/Chairman, DDMA Leh, Shrikant Balasaheb Suse took stock of the current Covid-19 situation in Leh district during a meeting with concerned officials on November 6.

DC Leh enquired about the arrangement and preparation of medical facilities in terms of beds, oxygen, and medicines. He directed the concerned officers to make necessary arrangements at all levels to overcome any spike in Covid-19 cases.

The surveillance officer was asked to enhance Covid testing, contact tracing, and surveillance. Covid-19 Special Enforcement squads have been formed by DDMA, Leh to strengthen Covid-19 surveillance and to ensure that all Covid-19 related guidelines and SOPs are strictly enforced at public places, schools, etc. He impressed upon the officers to ensure that all



Deputy Commissioner/Chairman, DDMA Leh, Shrikant Balasaheb Suse taking stock of the current Covid-19 situation in the Leh district with concerned officials.

sorts of gatherings are held within the permissible limits with all Covid protocols.

Similarly, all SDMs have been directed to increase surveillance and compliance to Covid norms in respective sub-divisions.

DC Leh also stressed strengthening surveillance mechanisms at the airport and Khaltse check post by enhancing manpower in terms of magistrate and police personnel.

Earlier, Chief Medical Officer,

Leh; Medical Superintendent, SNM Hospital and State Surveillance Officer apprised DC Leh on the Covid-19 situation and necessary arrangements such as the establishment of Covid Care Centers and facility for isolation of mild cases as well as suspects.

The meeting was attended by Additional Deputy Commissioner, Leh; Chief Medical Officer, Leh; State Surveillance Officer, Leh; Medical Superintendent, SNM Hospital and a representative from Police Department, Leh.

99 young recruits of Ladakh Scouts take oath



Reach Ladakh Correspondent

LEH: A total of 99 young well trained soldiers pledged to serve the nation during the passing out parade on November 3 at Ladakh Scouts Regimental Centre, Leh.

The attestation parade was reviewed by Col Rinchen Dorje, VSM, Commandant Ladakh Scouts Regimental Centre. He

congratulated them for the impressive parade and urged them to devote their life in service to the Nation as proud soldiers of the Indian Army. He exhorted the Young Soldiers to continue to strive hard in pursuit of excellence in all spheres and take a solemn vow to uphold the sovereignty of the nation against all odds in the true spirit signified

by the ethos of the Indian Army.

The young Riflemen were also awarded medals for their outstanding performance during training. It was indeed a proud moment for the recruits as well as their parents who hail from far flung areas to join the Ladakh Scouts Regiment as young soldiers.

Student Council of EJM College meet CEC, Hill Council, Leh



Reach Ladakh Correspondent

LEH: Student Council of Govt. EJM College, Leh met CEC, Hill Council, Leh, Tashi Gyalson and raised various issues.

They highlighted a need for security guards, drinking water facilities, renovation of washrooms, heating facilities, the requirement of more non-teaching staff, and medical requirements such as Nurse at MI Room and sanitary pad machine within the campus.

Taking note of their issues and demands, CEC Tashi Gyalson assured his assistance to the Student Council.

Leh celebrates 5th Ladakh dPal-rNgam-Duston

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became a reality two years ago due to the support from the union government led by PM Narendra Modi. He added that the people of Ladakh need to lay a strong foundation for this newly established UT for reaching new milestones for the overall development of Ladakh.

Member of Parliament, Ladakh, Jamyang Tsering

Namgyal, thanked Narendra Modi-led Centre government for granting UT status to Ladakh. He also expressed his gratitude to LG Mathur for building a strong foundation for Ladakh in all fields and taking Ladakh to new heights.

Artists from Leh and Kargil districts enthralled the crowd with their cultural performances.

An exhibition polo match was played between Animal Husbandry and Indus Polo Club Chuchot.

Ladakh Cultural Forum reformed to safeguard Ladakh's cultural identity



Ladakh Cultural Forum, Prsident, Mipham Otsal speaking during the meeting at Lotsava Auditorium hall.

Reach Ladakh Correspondent

LEH: Ladakh Cultural forum convened a meeting and unanimously appointed Mipham Otsal, Director, Ladakh Theater Organization (LTO) as the new president on November 6.

Dr. Sonam Wangchok, Founder/secretary, Himalayan Cultural Heritage Foundation (HCHF) was appointed General Secretary along with many other members in executive and advisory committees. To revive and preserve Ladakh rich culture based on the ten sciences or fields of study categorized into two groups, major and minor fields, secretaries for each science were also appointed. The five major fields of study are Philosophy (nang don rigpa), Logic and epistemology (tshadma rigpa), Grammar and Literature (sgra rigpa), medicine (gsowa rigpa), and arts and Crafts (gzo rigpa). The five minor fields of study are astronomy and astrology (skar rtsis rigpa), poetry (snyan ngag rigpa), rhetoric (sdeb sbayor rigpa), lexicography (mngon brjod rigpa) and drama and dance (zlos gar rigpa).

With an aim to revive, preserve,

and promote the rich cultural heritage, Ladakh Cultural Forum one of Ladakh's oldest civil societies founded in 1976 by scholars and artists of Ladakh was reformed on September 11.

General Secretary, Dr. Sonam Wangchok while highlighting different initiatives undertaken by Ladakh Cultural Forum since 1976, termed it as Ladakh's largest association consisting of scholars, artists, NGOs, village societies, students, and individuals working in the field of cultural preservation in Ladakh.

"Strengthening Ladakh Cultural Forum by involving local stakeholders is the need of the hour to protect Ladakh's cultural heritage from all kinds of threats and challenges," said Dr. Wangchok.

President Mipham Otsal said that it has become important for all the cultural societies of Ladakh to work unitedly for the cause of protecting Ladakh's cultural identity. He said the indigenous language is the root of the culture and that needs to be strengthened by inculcating interest in youth for their mother tongue.

Otsal assured that Ladakh Cultural Forum will lead to make sure that Ladakh's rich culture will be preserved and handed over to the coming generation.

Secretary, Grammar and Literature (sgra rigpa), Dr. Thupstan Nurboo also addressed the representative of cultural societies of different villages and stressed on feeling pride of once own language. He suggested several ways forward for Ladakh Cultural Forum and cultural societies of Ladakh to attract children to learn their indigenous language and feel the pride of it.

Advisor, Ladakh Cultural Forum, Ven. Thupstan Paldan has shown concern about the changing behavior of local people due to a selfish and self-centered mindset. He advised the audience to revive traditional values and systems to ensure sustainable development.

Chairman of the meeting, Padmashree awardee Morup Namgyal in his speech highlighted the values of traditional folk songs and music and advised cultural societies of Ladakh to work closely with Ladakh Cultural Forum to organize workshops and awareness programmes to educate people about the importance of culture and heritage.

Tsewang Nubroo from Lamdon Society and Hashi Malo from Women Wing of Moin-ul-Islam also spoke on the importance of preserving Ladakh's culture and assured to work with Ladakh Cultural Forum.

Sonam Wangyal remembered on his 23rd death anniversary

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PT Kunzang, Convenor, Sonam Wangyal Memorial Society said, "He was a visionary leader of Ladakh. He was a secular leader and worked hard for the communal harmony in Ladakh."

He further said that we have a tradition of naming buildings and roads after the name of our leaders

to remember their contributions. He requested the chief guest to name the stadium after late Sonam Wangyal. We have high expectations that the stadium will soon be named after the late Sonam Wangyal.

Later, Sonam Wangyal Memorial Society donated Rs. 1 Lakh to Chamtse Tsoygsa who helps people with mental illness.

Secretary, Agriculture, visits greenhouse units in Leh

The greenhouses were sanctioned and constructed by the Department of Agriculture under the Ladakh Green House Project



Secretary Agriculture, Ladakh, Ravinder Dangi during his visit to a greenhouse unit in Yourtung, Skara, Chuchot, and Shey areas.

Reach Ladakh Correspondent

LEH: Secretary Agriculture, Ladakh, Ravinder Kumar visited the greenhouse units in Yourtung, Skara, Chuchot, and Shey areas of district Leh on November 9.

The greenhouse units were sanctioned and constructed by the Department of Agriculture under the Ladakh Green House Project to make the farmers of the region self-sufficient in vegetable production and to earn their livelihood by commercializing the

agricultural produce during the winter months.

Secretary Agriculture, Ravinder directed the officers to work with zeal and make Ladakh self-sufficient in fresh vegetable production during peak winter months thereby minimizing the dependence on the export of vegetables from outside the Union Territory. He also emphasized making agriculture activity a commercially viable entity.

Earlier, the Chief Agriculture Officer apprised the Secretary that 47 units of greenhouses have been completed till now and approximately 120 units are on the verge of completion.

During the visit, Secretary Ravinder also interacted with farmers and assured them that the UT Administration would work to modernize agriculture so that the youth of Ladakh may come up as entrepreneurs. The farmers expressed their gratitude toward the UT Administration for support and effective implementation of farmer-friendly schemes.

Secretary Ravinder was accompanied by Chief Agriculture Officer, Leh, along with officers from the agriculture department.

Principal Secretary reviews progress on establishment of Medical College



Principal Secretary, Health and Medical Education Department, Dr. Pawan Kotwal discussing the roadmap for the completion of prefabricated structures for the Academic Block of New Medical College at Leh.

Reach Ladakh Correspondent

LEH: Principal Secretary, Health and Medical Education Department, Dr. Pawan Kotwal chaired a meeting on November 9 and discussed the roadmap for the completion of prefabricated structures for the Academic Block of New Medical College at Leh.

The concerned officials apprised Dr. Pawan Kotwal about the status of the Detail Project Report (DPR) for the same. In the meeting, Dr. Pawan Kotwal enquired about the progress of Biomedical Waste Management, Health and Wellness Centres, PMJAY and

UHC schemes, and Implementation of ECRP- II.

He asked the Chief Engineer, CPWD to prepare an action plan involving a survey of the site, finalization of suitable pre-fabricated/ pre-engineered technology, preparation of DPR, tendering process, and award of contract, respectively.

Regarding the revision of the cost of the 250-bedded hospital proposed to be constructed in the SNM Hospital for the Medical College, it was decided that the CE/CPWD would revise the estimates/DPR strictly in conformi-

ty with Norms and Specification for the '250 bedded Hospital for Teaching Purposes' prescribed under the Clinical Establishment (Registration and Regulation) Act 2010 and rules made thereunder which apply to the UT of Ladakh.

Dr. Pawan Kotwal also enquired about the construction of compound walling of the selected land to demarcate it and protect it from any encroachment.

He also emphasized that the requisite infrastructure as per the National Medical Commission norms, along with non-medical furniture should be made ready by March/April 2022, so that the classes of New Medical College of Leh would commence from the Academic Session 2022.

Concluding the meeting, Principal Secretary Pawan Kotwal took stock of the increase in covid cases and instructed the officials to adopt stricter measures to curb the spread of Covid-19 in schools, events, roads, and air travel.

Secretary, Animal Husbandry, visits Russian Merino Sheep Farm, Matho

Reach Ladakh Correspondent

LEH: Secretary, Animal/ Sheep Husbandry and Fisheries, Ravinder Kumar inaugurated the diagnostic lab at Russian Merino Sheep Farm in Matho on November 9.

Director, Sheep Husbandry, Ladakh, Dr. Mohammad Raza, and various departmental officers accompanied Secretary Ravinder during the visit.

Secretary Ravinder was apprised of the installation of the electro-cautery unit, laser therapy device, veterinary digital x-ray unit, and veterinary ultrasound unit at the diagnostic lab at the farm clinic among other equipment to aid in rapid diagnosis and effective livestock treatment at the farm.

During his interaction with the concerned officials, Secretary Ravinder was apprised of the



Secretary, Animal/ Sheep Husbandry and Fisheries, Ravinder Kumar during his visit to diagnostic lab at Russian Merino Sheep Farm in Matho.

infrastructure development, livestock improvement endeavor, capacity building, diagnostic lab, and fodder development.

Dr. Raza apprised Secretary Ravinder that the proposal for importing purebred Merino sheep for both Kargil and Leh districts is being conceived and actively pursued at the directorate level and taken up with the Ministry for improving local me-

rino sheep productivity.

Secretary Ravinder emphasized the need for imparting technical training in diagnostics and clinical subjects to the officers of the department for improving the service quality and efficiency of the department. He instructed the concerned officials to reflect the need for training and capacity building in the forthcoming budget proposals.

CEC, EC Changthang and DC Leh visits Tangtse & Chushul constituencies

Assesses public grievances & review developmental works



Reach Ladakh Correspondent

LEH: CEC, Hill Council, Leh, Tashi Gyalson, EC, Tashi Namgyal Yakzee, and the Deputy Commissioner Leh, Shrikant Balasaheb Suse visited the villages of Tangtse and Chushul constituency in the Changthang region on November 9 and 10.

The officials inaugurated Women Craft-Centre at Nimgo village, central heating system and an aluminum glass room at PHC Tangtse, Solar Battery Bank replacements at (Yurgo, Lukung, Spangmik, Chushul, and Sato villages), Waste Segregation Centre of Project Tsangda at Lukung Pangong, a Rest House at Yerath village and a Community hall at Pholongley village.

EC Tashi Yakzee also the Councillor of Tangtse constituency handed over the Public Address (PA) System with Amplifiers under his CCDF to the villagers of

Mukleb and Shachukul villages during the tour.

Villagers highlighted major issues including completion of road connectivity with black-topping, telecommunication connectivity with high-speed internet, redressal of drinking water issues, land allotment issues, irrigation canal issues, the up-gradation of the existing govt schools and health centers with adequate staff, up-gradation of VSATs, the requirement of electricity transmission lines, renovations of community halls, reparation of motorable bridges, developmental requirements at monasteries and strengthening of village-level self-help and women alliance groups.

CEC, EC RDD, and DC Leh evaluated all the issues with an on-ground visit to the sites.

CEC, Tashi Gyalson directed concerned Executive Engineers

of various departments to timely execute all the planned developmental works in the entire belt of Tangtse and Chushul constituencies keeping in view the short working season in the region. He also directed ACD Leh and BDO Durbuk to note and address infrastructural issues and other developmental works in all the villages.

CEC, EC RDD and DC Leh visited Shayok, Durbuk (Laga, Nimgo, Punpun), Tangtse, Mukleb, Lukung, Yurgo, Phobrang, Spangmik, Maan, Merak, Khak-tet, and Chushul villages on the first day followed by Go Green plantation site at Chushul, Villages of Barma, Kherapulu, Sato, Chibra, Yerath, Chilam, Pholongley, Shachukul and Tharuk on the second day. The villagers of the Changthang region accorded a warm welcome to all the officials during their visit.

Commissioner Secretary convenes meeting to discuss winter preparedness



Reach Ladakh Correspondent

LEH: Commissioner Secretary, PWD-R&B, Ajeet Kumar Sahu discussed winter preparedness with the concerned officers on November 3.

Commissioner Secretary Sahu directed teams from NHIDCL and PWD to conduct a joint visit and decide on deployment of manpower and machineries by identifying the vulnerable spots as per previous years experiences and feedback of locals. All deployments should be fully equipped (food, Pol, K.Oil, winter uniforms, communication devices etc.) to remain deployed throughout the winters. He directed the concerned officials, wherever possible, to keep the Helipads functional for emergency evacuation in case of any emergency.

He stressed that there should not be any communication gap thus

NHIDCL to coordinate with all the agencies (Army/Police) present enroute Kargil-Zaskar highway and to keep them on board. Emphasizing, the priority of keeping roads open to the maximum duration, he directed concerned officials to hire local operators to operate JCB's and Bulldozers for snow clearance work on Kargil-Zaskar road as they are well verse to the area and equipped with knowledge to operate equipment in extreme weather conditions. He also asked that proper facilities in terms of food, lodging and uniform should be provided to the workers.

Simultaneously, he directed the concerned departments to make a detailed SOP on internal roads as well. He stressed that the administration fully supports the concerned departments and asked them to work in coordination as per SoP.

Regarding Zojila axis, Sahu informed that recovery vehicles, dumpers and JCBs have been deployed. Also, informed that by the end of November, four more recovery vehicles and two snow cutters for Zojila clearance will be added to the contingent. He also directed the concerned officials to establish a joint control room in Kargil for coordination with BRO, NHIDCL and Army on the Zojila axis and Kargil-Zaskar road.

Further, Sahu informed that a detachment of BRO will also be kept at Photoksar for snow clearance. Photoksar will be listed under the priority area for snow clearance.

Earlier, the concerned departments apprised Commissioner Secretary on the work being done on these roads for winter preparedness. They also shared the issues and challenges faced by them. A detailed discussion took place on Leh-Manali road as well.

The meeting was attended by Chief Engineer Mechanical; Chief Engineer Himank; Chief Engineer, Vijayak; Executive Director, NHIDCL; Superintending Engineer, PWD/PHE Leh/Kargil and Executive Engineer Mechanical Leh/Kargil

People's Voice

By Tenzin Dajon



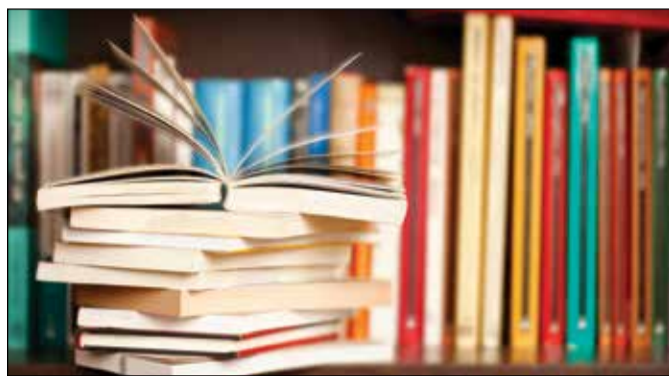
DR. RIGZIN CHODON, Research Associate, Ladakh Arts and Media Organisation: In this digital era, reading in print has been replaced with the onslaught of virtual modes of reading like tablets, smartphones and other modern gadgets. The COVID-19 pandemic has encouraged digital reading for all age groups furthermore. With the availability of hi tech gadgets and network services, we are gathering a lot of information online and in that perspective readership has definitely increased manifold. But the imperative question to be asked is--how and what kind of information are we consuming?

Digital reading imposes many challenges to its readers, thus posing a question on the quality and quantum of reading. Retaining information has become a challenge. To address these issues around the consumption of information, a media literacy workshop was conducted at LAMO in 2019 for school students, in collaboration with Alley, a Davis Grant Fellow, Local Futures and LAMO, where the children were introduced to various mediums of photography, filmmaking and editing, creating podcasts; with the major focus on making them aware of 'how to consume information' in this digital age. These kinds of workshops become important for all age groups in today's time.

Ladakh has had a rich history of oral traditions, in the form of folk-songs, folklore, epics such as the 'Epic of Gesar', traditional knowledge systems, that posited an important history of transmission of oral traditions which necessarily didn't need reading. However with modern education in Ladakh and outside, many young Ladakhis are exposed to huge canon of literature in various disciplines at the under-graduate, graduate and university level. This in a way, could have also increased the reading habits in different languages and about different cultures.

However, unfortunately the educational institutions in the Union Territory of Ladakh, like libraries in schools, colleges, need improvement in terms of stocking quality books. More funding could be allotted towards purchase of books and other educational ma-

Reading culture in Ladakh



terials apart from the main textbooks. The COVID-19 pandemic in Ladakh saw an increase in the setting up of a number of private as well as community libraries like in Thiksay, Igoo village, Leh. These initiatives are a sign that more people are serious about enriching their knowledge by using facilities like libraries to their utmost use.

One can also see young Ladakhi authors publishing their works in different languages like Bodyig and English, which in turn helps in creating a viable reading culture in the region. I see that print, digital publications are on the rise and therefore the market for print publications are on the rise. Many literary figures of Ladakh have been making their works available and one such event of hosting an Author Talk at LAMO by our librarian, Tsering Chozom lay has been a welcome step towards understanding the growing academia in the region.



LOBZANG SUSHEEL, Librarian, Tashi Rabgias Library, Leh: Reading culture was there in Ladakh years ago and was mostly limited to spiritual texts reading. Now the culture of reading in Ladakh has improved due to modern education and other facilities. Public libraries are supposed to fulfil the reading taste of each reader be it student or research scholar. As of now the number of

active memberships in the library is around 600 with reading capacity of 60 person. We have subscribed around five newspapers and few magazines both national and regional level.

Newspaper subscription culture is very low in Ladakh, which shows the lack of reading culture in Ladakh. TV, internet and gadgets have made it more abrogate. But I would say screen time or surfing internet for long period of time is not feasible. Remember the foreigners used to visit Ladakh before the pandemic, they used to spend so much time with books. Therefore, I would say it is ok to be dependent on internet for short information, but reading whole books on internet seems impossible. This is because we will not only loose concentration but will negatively affect our eyes. Reading habit should be develop at primary level. By exposing them to comics, cartoon and magazines. Later they will read general books out of their syllabus. School books and syllabus are must but at the same time parents must encourage their children towards story and adventure books. This is the best way to develop the culture of reading in Ladakh.

We also organise events in rural areas at block level by inviting experts and writers to guide children how to develop reading habit. Though reading habit has developed enough but we need to develop writing habit as well. So that we can have more writers in coming days.

Recently Hill Council named the District Library after Late Tashi Rabgias which is a historic step. Till date Ladakh have many good scholars, writers and authors, but didn't get recognition. Recognition and importance to great scholars, writers, poets will not only encourage the young generations but will also encourage the present writers and authors.

We should all remember that library is sign of an educated society and vice versa. Therefore we must encourage locality based library. Facilitating libraries in colonies and villages will encourage more people towards reading. Now Ladakh is a UT, it should have state library with state of the art facility including parking. Such facility will attract more readers. Let's read today and lead tomorrow.

The World of Juniors

Childrens Day

November 14 is celebrated as Children's Day (also called Bal Diwas) in India and the occasion also commemorates the birth anniversary of Jawaharlal Nehru, the first Prime Minister of India. Before 1964, India celebrated Children's Day on November 20 (the United Nations observes it on this day.) However, after the death of Pandit Nehru in 1964, it was decided that his birthday be celebrated as Children's Day.

Nehru established Children's Film Society India in 1955 to create indigenous cinema exclusively for kids. Along with being an able administrator, Nehru enforced the establishment of some of the most prominent educational institutions in India. His vision led to



the establishment of AIIMS, IIT and IIM. Nehru has left behind a legacy of education for the children of India.

He once said, "The children of today will make the India of tomorrow. The way we bring them up will determine the future of the country."

Children's Day celebration across the world

Children's Day began in 1857 by Reverend Dr Charles Leonard in Chelsea, US. Even though Children's Day is celebrated globally by most of the countries in the world on June 1, Universal Children's Day takes place annually on November 20.

DID YOU KNOW



- William Shakespeare is known amongst centuries as being one of the greatest playwrights of all time, producing masterful pieces like Romeo and Juliet and A Midsummer's Night Dream. However, in order to create his infamous plays and poems, he sometimes resorted to making up his own words— some of which we use today! You can thank The Bard for words like a moonbeam, laughable, eyeball, bump, puking, champion, bedroom, excitement, and zany.

- The heart of the blue whale, the largest animal on earth, is five feet long and weighs 400 pounds. The whale in total weighs 40,000 pounds. (nationalgeographic.com).

- The shortest war in history lasted 38 minutes! It was between Britain and Zanzibar and known as the Anglo-Zanzibar War, this war occurred on August 27, 1896. It was over the ascension of the next Sultan in Zanzibar and resulted in a British victory.

- Tug of War used to be an Olympic sport! It was part of the Olympic schedule between 1900 and 1920 and occurred at 5 different Summer Olympic Games. The nation to win the most medals in this was Britain with 5 medals, then the USA with 3.



William Shakespeare

SoulSpeak

P.P. Wangchuk

Birthdays and their importance



The significance of birthdays can be understood in many ways. Most of us take it as a 'thanks-giving' day that we have completed one more year without much of a problem in the journey of life. And also, that we have got to step into a new lease of life that could be more promising.

Of course, some of us do take birthdays not in a positive way. They lament that life on this planet is shortened by a year. That is negative thinking. Even if shortened, there is no use crying over it because that would spoil our coming days all the more.

By the way, I had my HBD recently, and it was a GREAT DAY! That is because my friends around me and in far-off places made me feel good and happy. The day gave me enough food for thought. I always take it in a positive way and feel lucky that I have got a renewal of life so that the purpose of life could be turned into a more meaningful one.

Friends come out with greetings and messages that give one a sense of closeness, togetherness and, above all, love and care. That makes the day all the more fulfilling, and also gives reasons enough to make life worthy of living well in the months and years to come.

Messages and phone calls started pouring in quite early in the day. Some of them were so lively and lovely that one got a feeling of enduring happiness. One such message read: "May this day be the key to all your unfulfilled aspirations." This touched me and made me feel all the more confident and optimistic that the rest of the dreams may yet come true!

Actually, nobody on this planet can fulfil everything of his/her life's dreams in one go. Even if a few of them could be achieved within a few years, that is reason enough for hope that all is going well, and the mission of life may yet be accomplished!

Courtesy: WongWorld
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In Conversation with Ghulam Mehdi Ashoor, Executive Councillor, LAHDC, Leh

Interviewed by Tenzin Dajon

Q. You hold various portfolios like the forest, minority affairs, horticulture, soil conservation, and fisheries, etc. Which is the most focused and priority area?

All departments which fall under my portfolio are developing at a good pace. Each sector is very important and I am focusing on every sector equally. The local artists and artisans have plenty of opportunities in the Handicraft and Handloom sectors whereas the Horticulture sector in Ladakh is lucrative and commercially successful. Ladakh is endowed with globally distinct coldwater resources and aquatic biodiversity. The fishery sector has enormous scope to provide sustainable and remunerative employment opportunities and nutritional security in the region. And under minority affairs, we try to act as a bridge to guide or help minorities to avail various benefits in government schemes. Thus, all the sectors are important and equal focus is given to each sector. Fortunately, under the UT setup, it has become easy to implement any scheme because of sufficient funds.

Q. Brief us about the steps being taken by the Council to solve the issue of unemployment. Share with us the data of unemployed youth and vacancies available.

Unemployment is a serious issue faced everywhere. Because of the COVID pandemic and bifurcation of J&K state into two Union Territories, many posts such as Panchayat Account Assistant, forest guard, and wildlife forest guard, etc were held pending. Now things are getting sorted with time and the above posts are all filled. After bifurcation, the concern regarding job security was many but now the residence certificates (RC) are being issued and have secured jobs for the educated youths of Ladakh which is a big achievement. The jobs notified under DSSRB will be only for the youths of Ladakh. In addition, LAHDC is working day and night to create more young entrepreneurs to solve the problem of unemployment.

As of now, around 2783 unemployed youth are registered in the employment department. I would say more youth should register themselves so that it could help the administration and council in planning and solving the issue.

Q. Fisheries is one of the potential sectors in Ladakh. Brief us about the steps being taken to promote fish production?

Consumption of fish products in Ladakh is more than the supply because of the number of hotels and restaurants. The demands of fish are



MESSAGE TO THE READERS

“I appreciate Reach Ladakh for actively bridging the gap between government and the public. In two years of UT set up, we have achieved many milestones despite the COVID-19 pandemic and other challenges. Hill Council is focussed to develop rural areas and is working sincerely in different sectors for the welfare of people.”

met by importing fish from J&K. The fish seed is being procured from Srinagar as it is not available in Ladakh. Transportation of fish seed is organised in oxygenated tanks which incur a huge sum of money and often the livestock suffer huge mortality during this process. Thus, a limited quantity of fish seed is being supplied to the department which is not sufficient to cater to the demand. Last year we had successfully

set up a fish hatchery in Ladakh, around 5000 fish in Chushot and 8000 in Nubra. We have plenty of opportunities in the sector and if youths come forward then definitely we will not only fulfill the demand but will also help in reducing the issue of unemployment to some extent. The ponds are given by the council and the feeds are also provided at a subsidized rate.

To promote fish culture in the private sector financial assistance to the aspirants is provided. Recently we have sanctioned Rs. 6 crores to expand existing fish farms and to build new fish farms and feed mills.

Q. Ladakh has enough potential in horticulture and we even did debut in export with apricot to Dubai. Brief us about the challenges and potential in the export of horticulture produce.

We used to do small businesses in horticulture during the time of our great grandparents. The time has changed now, Ladakh has huge potential in the horticulture sector. Like apricot, we can also export apples to the International market. No one can question the quality of our apple. In the early 80s government of the erstwhile state, J&K banned Ladakh's apple in the name of codling moth. After the bifurcation, the ban has been removed. In the coming days, we will be exporting our apple to the international market like Kashmiri apple with farmer's cooperation. Ladakh's Apricot has huge potential and to boost marketing we have distributed 350 drier machines costing around 2.5 lakh of which only Rs. 26000 is paid by the buyers and the rest by the government to boost export. Within a short time, we will be able to compete in the international market.

By 2025 Ladakh will be an Organic UT. Soon we are going to get GI (Geographical indication) tag for Raktse Karpo (Apricot) as it is found only in Ladakh. Similarly, sea buckthorn will also get a GI tag. Both the products fulfill all the conditions required to get the GI tag. Later we can export them at a huge level.

Q. You are also the councillor of the Turtuk constituency, a border area. What are your achievements and also brief us about your future developmental projects for the region?

Turtuk includes Bogdang, Chalungkha, Changmar, Garadi, Tyakshi and Thang. Each region is connected with road, 24x7 electricity in

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Fortnight Highlights



Jal Jeevan Mission: Villagers of Umla happy to get functional water connection.



Medical camp organised at Medical Sub Centre, Trith village in Nubra sub-division as a part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebration.



Traffic Police, Leh organised road safety awareness at Government Degree College, Drass.



ICDS Project Durbuk celebrated Iconic Week by organising rally on Covid-19 awareness in collaboration with Health Department as a part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebration.



Leh Taekwondo Association participated in the 1st UT Ladakh Taekwondo Championship at Indoor Stadium Kargil organised by Ladakh Taekwondo Association. The team comprises of 12 players from different part of Leh District compete with 230 other players of Ladakh.

L-G Mathur lays foundation-stone of projects worth Rs 32 crores in Degree college, Zanskar



Reach Ladakh Correspondent

ZANSKAR: Lieutenant Governor, Radha Krishna Mathur inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of several projects at Government Model Degree College (GMDC) Padum Zanskar on November 7.

MP Ladakh, Jamyang Tsering Namgyal; EC Zanskar Affairs, Er Punchok Tashi; Vice Chancellor University of Ladakh, Professor S K Mehta; Councilors of LAHDC Kargil, SDM Zanskar, Sonam Dorjay; Principal GMDC Zanskar Nassir Shabani besides other concerned officer were also present.

RK Mathur inaugurated the 915 meter link road to GMDC Zanskar and the Administrative Block of the college completed at cost of Rs 1.50 crores under District Capex Budget and Rs 10.48 crores under Central Sponsored Scheme respectively. He also laid the foundation stone of the Passive Solar Indoor Stadium cum Multipurpose Hall, Passive Solar 50 Bedded Girls and Boys Hostels, Passive Solar Gazetted and Non-Gazetted Staff Quarters, Science Laboratory Block and Landscaping and Beautification Works of the college campus at a total cost of Rs 32 crores under the Special Development Package (SDP).

The LG also launched the college website on the occasion, went round different sections of the college including the Academic and Administrative Block, Science Laboratory, Library and the classrooms and expressed satisfaction over the facilities available in the college. He interacted with the faculty members and students and urged them to take maximum benefits of the available resources including the high tech science and sports equipments and other available facilities.

Speaking during a function

held in the college campus, LG Mathur said that the UT Administration is keen to develop GMDC Zanskar as an intellectual centre and the inauguration and foundation stone laying of the projects is testimony of the seriousness of the Government of India and the University of Ladakh to enhance the level of higher education in Zanskar. He also suggested that such subjects need to be introduced in the college which are Ladakh and Zanskar specific like Tourism, Entrepreneurship in Primary Sectors like Animal and Sheep Husbandry, Agriculture and enable students to work for its progress and development.

With regard to the proposal for setting up of Tribal Centre and Skill Centre in the college, the LG said that the proposal will be considered and requested the VC UoL to examine. He also highlighted the need to install a dedicated V Sat of higher band width in the college and linking the college library to the National Knowledge Network so that students can access innumerable books and research papers online.

While hailing the efforts of the Principal GMDC Zanskar in taking the college to a new level, LG Mathur said while issues related to infrastructural requirements and faculty have been addressed to a great extent, concerted efforts should be made to enhance the enrolment of students so that they do not need to go for studies outside. He said that under the New Education Policy, faculty and student exchange programmes will be introduced through which students from Zanskar and other colleges of UT Ladakh will be given opportunities to study semesters in colleges outside while faculty from ITIs, industry and other sectors and students from outside can extend their services and study semesters at colleges in Ladakh.

Making mention of the steps being taken by the government for the development of Zanskar, the LG Ladakh said that collective efforts are being made by the UT Administration Ladakh, MP Ladakh and the LAHDC Kargil to ensure overall development of the region including the establishment of 5MW Solar Power Station, construction of airstrip, construction of the Kargil-Zanskar Road, works of NPD Road, Shinkunla Tunnel, transmission line to connect to the National Grid, development of tourism assets, homestay and other related measures to address the development deficit of the last 70 years.

MP Ladakh Jamyang Tsering Namgyal expressed gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra Modi for providing liberal funds for the development of Ladakh UT. He stated that while the Kargil Zanskar Road NH-301 is being developed on fast track basis and is expected to be blacktopped next year, steps are underway for the construction of tunnel at Shinkunla to provide round the year connectivity of Zanskar with Himachal Pradesh.

Executive Councilor for Zanskar Affairs Er Phunsok Tashi while speaking on the occasion termed the inauguration and foundation stone of the projects at GMDC Zanskar a historic event for Zanskar. He said that the college has made tremendous progress in the last 3 years especially after the formation of UT. He said that the LAHDC Kargil is committed towards the development of GMDC Zanskar and 100 kanals land will be allotted to the college while more funding will be also be made from the District Capex Budget.

The LG Ladakh also felicitated the war veterans from Zanskar recognizing their services in the 1971 War as part of its golden jubilee year of victory.

Awareness programme on cyber crime held in Govt. Degree college, Nubra

Reach Ladakh Correspondent

NUBRA: Government Degree College, Nubra in collaboration with the Police Station of Nubra conducted an awareness programme on Cyber Crime on the occasion of 'Cyber Jagrookta Diwas' on November 3 at GDC Nubra.

Head Constable, Police Station, Diskit Nubra, Ghulam Mohd was the resource person.

Principal GDC Nubra, Dr Tsewang Motup advised the attending students to remain alert while performing online transactions. He highlighted the importance of online security in today's world owing to the various threats posed by hackers and vested interests in the virtual spaces. He cautioned the students to be



very careful while using social media and urged them to make their friends aware of the online threats and safety measures. He stressed that as a citizen we must cooperate with the police to check all kinds of crime and to keep an eye on the antisocial elements.

The resource person informed that the Cyber Jagrookta Diwas is observed to spread awareness and to sensitise the public about the various crimes com-

mitted through different social media platforms like Facebook, Whatsapp and Instagram. He instructed the students about the ways and means of safeguarding themselves from concerns like cyberbullying, harassment, fake identity, account hacking and other cyber-crimes.

He urged the participants to be careful and alert while using digital banking and other online platforms to avoid falling into the trap of online fraud.

Degree College, Kargil, holds first student council election



Newly elected executives of the Student Council of a Govt Degree College, Kargil.

Mansoor Hosain Beigh

KARGIL: Student Council of a Govt Degree College, Kargil convened its first election and elected Mohd Showkat as a new president on November 8.

Zahra Batool was elected as Vice President while Akbar Ali and Mohd Riyaz were elected as General Secretary and Cashier respectively.

College Student Council aims to encourage democracy and leadership qualities among youths. The practice will also increase their awareness in understanding their democratic rights and also understand and participate in elections conducted by the Election Commission of India.

The establishment of the College Student Council was a long-standing demand of the students to raise their problems to the higher authority.

The election was held under the guidance of Principal GDC Kargil, Dr. Amina Qari, and the senior faculty members of the college.

NHIDCL donates three multi-purpose life support ambulances

Reach Ladakh Correspondent

KARGIL: National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL) under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) donated three multi-purpose life support ambulances to the health department Kargil on November 11.

Chairman and Chief Executive Councilor, LAHDC, Kargil Feroz Ahmad Khan flagged off the ambulances from Council Secretariat, Kurbathang.

Executive Director NHIDCL, Colonel Rajiv Kumar apprised that the multi-purpose life support ambulances are equipped with modern facilities including automatic loading stretchers, scoop stretchers, oxygen cylinders, manual resuscitators, nebulizers, GPS tracking systems, and other allied facilities. He fur-



NHIDCL officials handing over the ambulances to the officials of Hill Council, Kargil.

ther said that these ambulances will play a critical role in stabilizing the condition of critically injured persons.

CEC, Feroz Ahmad Khan hailed the philanthropic activities carried out by the NHIDCL in Kargil district under CSR. He expressed optimism that the agency will continue its endeavors for the welfare of the general population in the future as well.

EC, Social Welfare, Aga Syed Hassan Arman; ADC, Kargil Tsering Motup; General Manager NHIDCL, Colonel A K Shivkumar; Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Munawar Hussain Wazir; Medical Superintendent District Hospital, Kargil, Kacho Liyaqat Ali Khan; Block Medical Officer Zanskar, Stanzin Namgyal besides other concerned officers were present.

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Turtuk Tyakshi and Thang, and telecommunication services. In a nutshell, each region of Turtuk has been sanctioned with 4G mobile tower. Many roads and bridges are under construction along with telecommunication works in Tyakshi and Thang villages. In a nutshell, each region of Turtuk has been sanctioned with a mobile tower.

Turtuk Hanu road was one of the oldest demands of the region and I had been seeing our elders demanding it since my childhood. I had also kept in

my manifesto. Now it has been sanctioned, which is big news for the region. It will not only ease the movement but will boost the region's economy and attract more tourists.

We have organised the Apricot Blossom festival in collaboration with the UT administration to promote apricot. To boost tourism, Turtuk 50 Years was also celebrated from September 22 to 25 with great pomp and show. Around 200 artists came from different states of the country. Hill Council is working sincerely to make Turtuk a tourist destination.

Nimu-Padum-Darcha Road via Shinkunla closed for traffic till summer 2022

Reach Ladakh Correspondent

KARGIL: Nimo-Padum-Darcha Road via Shinkunla will remain closed for movement of all types of vehicles till the summer of 2022.

As per the notification of the Chairman District Disaster Man-

agement Authority (DDMA) Kargil, the general public of Zanskar Sub Division has been informed that according to the notice issued by the Deputy Commissioner Lahaul & Spiti of Himachal Pradesh on 31-10-2021, erratic snowfall is probable over the district of Lahaul and Spiti in coming days.

Therefore, from 2nd November 2021, the Nimo-Padum-Darcha Road via Shinkunla will remain closed.

Further, it has been informed to the general public and tourists to avoid unnecessary travel to these roads to avoid an unpleasant incident.

Commissioner Secretary Ajeet Sahu reviews progress of JJM works in Kargil



Commissioner Secretary PWD Ladakh Ajeet Kumar Sahu reviewing the status of ongoing works under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) with the concerned officials in Kargil.

Reach Ladakh Correspondent

KARGIL: Commissioner Secretary PWD Ladakh Ajeet Kumar Sahu reviewed the status of ongoing works under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) during a meeting with the concerned officials on November 10.

The officers apprised Commissioner Secretary about the status of on-site progress about all villages, schools, Anganwadi centres, and panchayat ghars in Kargil district in terms of con-

struction of service reservoirs, main lines, distribution networks, procurement of materials, and other related aspects.

The Commissioner Secretary directed concerned Assistant Executive Engineers, Junior Engineers, and other officials to expedite the works to ensure completion within the stipulated timelines maintaining the quality of works.

Sahu directed the concerned officers to ensure all Function-

al Household Tap Connections (FHTCs) in all villages of the district are completed by 15th August 2022 without fail. He also stressed strict adherence to quality and quantity parameters to create tangible assets on the ground. He was instructed to execute work on those work items which have already been allotted.

Commissioner Secretary Sahu further instructed to install the connections preferably inside homes or even in the house compound if not possible in the house, providing a future scope to extend the connection to the house. He stressed the engineers ensure that all the work being executed must be winter-ready and tap water should be provided to houses throughout the winters.

He also asked the concerned officers and the Implementation support Agency to ensure the involvement and participation of the community in the execution and monitoring of JJM works.

Fire and Fury Corps dedicates community centre to villages in Changthang region



Reach Ladakh Correspondent

CHANGTHANG: Fire and Fury Corps dedicated three community centres to Merak, Chushul and Koyul villages of Changthang region.

Brigade Commander, Chushul Brigade and Commandant, Ladakh Scouts Regimental Centre interacted with the locals and handed over the community centres. The village Headmen expressed their profound thanks to the Army.

The community hall is dedicated by the Indian Army to make the life of villagers comfortable and at the same time foster deeper cooperation and confidence amongst the villagers of the border areas.

The village community thanked the Fire and Fury Corps for reaching out to the remote villages and providing necessary assistance.

Self-employment Mela to be held at ITI Kargil from November 15-19

Reach Ladakh Correspondent

KARGIL: Deputy Commissioner and CEO, LAHDC, Kargil, Santosh Sukhadeve discussed the necessary arrangements to hold Self Employment Mela at ITI Kargil and facilitate bank loans to ITI pass out students and non-ITI students.

While discussing various aspects of the arrangements, DC Santosh Sukhadeve directed the officers that Self Employment Mela and facilitation for providing bank loans will be held at ITI Campus

Kargil for five days from 15th of November to 19th of November 2021 and the event would comprise of two days awareness and three days on spot facilitation.

He directed the Superintendent ITI, Kargil to make all necessary arrangements for providing facilities including computers with internet facilities at ITI Kargil.

Other necessary arrangements like provision of tents, drinking water, and uninterrupted power supply at the venue, medicare facilities, and other arrangements

were discussed threadbare and directions were given to the concerned departments accordingly.

As requested by the banks, DC Santosh Sukhadeve directed the Assistant Commissioner Revenue for the deployment of requisite staff for on-spot facilitation of providing loans to the candidates.

DC Santosh Sukhadeve stressed all concerned officers work in tandem and close coordination to put in place all required arrangements timely to successfully conduct self-employment mela.

Health Department, Kargil organises awareness program on COVID-19 Vaccination, Anaemia, HIV AIDS



Reach Ladakh Correspondent

KARGIL: A health camp/awareness programme themed "UHND cum T3 Camp (Testing, Treatment, and Talk) under Anaemia Mukt Bharat Programme" was organised by Health and Family Welfare Department, Kargil to medical students at Auditorium Hall Kargil on November 9.

A camp also boosts the second dose of COVID-19 Vaccination

under the theme 'Har Ghar Dastak'.

Block Medical Officer, Kargil, Dr Fatima Nissa urged the left out people to take the second dose of the COVID-19 Vaccine ensuring safety against the Coronavirus. She said that the vaccine is completely safe and also urged people to take necessary precautionary measures and follow Covid Appropriate Behavior.

The speakers gave detailed presentations on anaemia, COVID-19, and HIV AIDS.

Dr. Bilquees Fatima gave a detailed presentation on Anaemia, its causes, symptoms, prevention, etc. Deputy CMO Dr. Muhammad Abass informed about Anaemia, its causes in pregnant ladies, adolescent girls, and old-aged people. He also shared his clinical experience about the deficiency of iron in the human body. He urged the medical students to enlighten them and create awareness among the public about the disease.

Dr. Khalid gave a detailed presentation on COVID-19 vaccination and myths associated with the vaccine. He urged people to get vaccinated as soon as possible while Dental Surgeon Dr. Muneer Ahmad informed the public about HIV AIDS, causes of its spread, symptoms, and preventive measures.

CEC, Leh, visits Council Model School Sakti, inaugurates hand wash facility

Reach Ladakh Correspondent

SAKTI: CEC, Tashi Gyalson visited Council Model School, Taknak Sakti, and inaugurated a Hand-Wash facility on November 11.

The wash facility has been constructed by LEDeG with the support from Hansa Flex at the Council Model School Sakti. Executive Director LEDeG, Head Master, Council Model School, staff, students, and parents attended the inauguration ceremony.

Speaking during the occasion, CEC Gyalson extended his gratitude to the team from LEDeG Ladakh and Hansa Flex for their assistance in getting the wash facility established at the school. He stated that LEDeG has been contributing tremendously towards sustainable development in Ladakh over time.

CEC Gyalson also visited the



CEC, Tashi Gyalson during his visit to Council Model School, Taknak Sakti.

school campus and reviewed the developmental needs of the school. He stated that the staffs, students, and parents of the school are role models to the rest of the govt. schools in Ladakh. He appreciated the overall effort from both the school administration and students as well as parents. He added that it is the prime responsibility to ensure quality

education with good facilities to the students in govt. schools. He assured to address all the issues and demands raised before him at the earliest.

CEC Gyalson also visited Tagar, Sakti and took stock of the issues and demands raised by the residents. He assured his assistance in addressing their grievances.



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