



Blood donation camp concluded at Vidya Bhawan Polytechnic



Udaipur : On the occasion of 121st birth anniversary of Dr Mohan Singh Mehta, blood donation camp was held at Vidya Bhawan Polytechnic, Udaipur. The event was organized by The National Service Scheme, Dr Mohan Singh Mehta Memorial Trust, Platinum Group, Mahavir International. Organizer Radhakrishnan Menaria informed that 43 units of blood was collected at the camp which lasted for two hours. On this occasion, president of Vidya Bhawan Society, Mr Ajay S Mehta, AS Kothari, BL Khamesra, BL Chatur, Praveen Ratiya, Vijay S Mehta were present. Before the blood donations, regular blood donor Ravindrapal Singh Kapoor inspired all the students to donate blood. Dr Sanjay Prakash and team from RNT Medical College collected the blood.

601 Units Blood Donated By JSG while 43 at VBPC

Udaipur : Jain social groups broke the record by donating 601 units of blood under one roof in a blood donation camp organized by zonal coordinator Mohan Bohra under the motivation of Rajkumar Fattawat and Manish Gulandiyia. While on 121 Birth Anniversary of Dr Mohan Singh Mehta, a blood donation camp was organized at Vidya Bhawan Polytechnic College. In which 43 unit blood donated as reported by Anil Mehta. Jain Group International Federation informed that numbers of teams of RNT Medical College, Pacific medical college, GBH medical college, Lokmitra and Saral blood bank supported the event. All the donors were immediately given certificates and gifts.

73 Patients Benefitted with Epilepsy Camp



Udaipur : 73 patients of Udaipur division including Chittor, Banswara, Dungarpur, Pratapgarh and Rajsamand were immensely benefitted with the epilepsy camp organized by Geetanjali Medical College and Hospital. Dr. Anis Jukkarwala, specialist of neurology department advised patients without charging them. There were also free medicines distributed to patients and information was given to epilepsy patients through pamphlets. E.E.G tests were also conducted.

Yoga Lovers on Toes for Second International Yoga Day

Udaipur : No doubt Yoga Lovers on Toes for Second International Yoga Day. Dr. Shobhalal Auchiya, camps coordinator told that the yoga trainers have been training since September last year. Sanjay Dikshit, Mukesh Pathak, Ashok Jain, Dr. Ikbal Gauri, Keshav Prasad Rai, Lalita Yaduvanshi, Kailash Rajpurohit, Ambalal Palival, Nirmala Paliwal, Gulab Singh Rao Singhal, Gansil, Osho Pandey, Dr. Rohit Kumawat, Gopal Dangi, Gurumukh Kasturi, Hiralal Suthar, Hemant Choubisa, Sharda Jalora, Kamlesh Bhavsar, Anita Paliwal, Rohit and Prem Jain etc are rendering their yoga services. Dr. Auchiya informed these yoga camps are being organized as per norms at Hospital Sindh Bazar, Prakartik Chikitsalay, Shivaji Nagar, Manoharoura, Ahinsapuri, Ashoknagar, Gangu Ashram, Hemraj Vyayamshala, Durga Nursery Road, Hiranmagri sector 3, 4, 5 and 6, Red Cross Society hall, Titaradi Residency Hostel, Sanskrit College Chandpol, Gurudwara Pratapnagar etc.

English Poetry Recitation competition held

Udaipur : Earth day was celebrated at SMPS to bring awareness among people to save Earth and its environment from being polluted. In this respect, various activities were conducted at SMPS at different class levels. Students of grade I to III made beautiful charts on the theme "Greener Earth, Clearer Earth." Inter Class English Poetry Recitation competition on the topic "Save Earth" was held for classes IV and V. With an idea to enhance students' creativity and thinking skills an Inter Class poster making competition was conducted for Classes VI to VIII. The topic was "My Beautiful Planet Earth". Principal Ms. Keerti Maken congratulated all the winners and appreciated the students and teachers for a wonderful team work.

MMVAM Celebrated Earth Day

Udaipur: Maharana Mewar Vidhya mandir Ambamata Udaipur celebrated Earth day and vowed to protect the environment. Bhawna Kumawat and Rashmi Sharma shared the tips of saving environment through an audio-visual presentation. Students of class 5 volunteered under the guidance of K. B. Menariya, physical trainer and cleaned the school premises.

For Overall Development of English Department

Udaipur : Ex-student council of Janardan Rai Nagar University has taken the onus of ensuring the overall development of English department. The efforts would include awards to talented students, workshops and organizing educational trips. A meet was organized by the student council at Somani auditorium of Manikya Lal Verma College. Prof. Mukta Sharma, department head told that English department is known not only in college but also in the city and the credits go to the students who have achieved a lot. Council's secretary Dr. Pradeep Paneri assured every possible guidance to the students. Prof. Hemendra Chandlia said that there have been emphasis on vocational training. Dr. mehebin Sadrivala and Sonika Gurjar also shared their experiences and suggestions. There was a farewell given to the final year students by the previous year ones with some cultural performances.

Harvard incubated Impact Guru

New Delhi / Lalit Garg

Singapore-based investment platform Fundnel has entered into a strategic tie-up with Indian crowdfunding platform Impact Guru to tap into philanthropic and investment capital from the Indian diaspora based in Southeast Asia and plough back investments into ventures that address social needs.

This is seen to be the first time a social crowdfunding platform has teamed up with an investment crowdfunding platform to unlock investment opportunities in areas including financial inclusion, clean tech, education, water and sanitation, and healthcare.

"This partnership allows us to extend our influence beyond India to attract philanthropic as well as investment capital from NRIs and Persons of Indian Origin especially in markets where Fundnel is present - Singapore, Hong Kong, Malaysia and Indonesia. There are 2.5 million Indians residing in these countries," said Piyush Jain, co-founder and CEO of Impact Guru. Founded in 2014, Impact Guru empowers people to give to non-profits and social causes in India. It was



incubated at Harvard Innovation Lab's Venture Initiation Program and subsequently at PACT Social Enterprise Incubator Singapore.

Impact investing is still nascent in India where investments are made with an intention of generating both financial return and delivering social impact. Data from Intellectap, an organization that works at the intersection of social and commercial business sectors, shows that around \$1.6 billion has been invested across 220 organizations in the country. "India is a natural market, looking at its demographic, education, water and sanitation, and healthcare," said Kelvin Lee, co-founder of Fundnel that leverages technology to aggregate capital and disburses it in a structured process. Since inception, Fundnel has helped investors invest in 10 deals worth over \$8 million.

Jain said that 3.3 million non-profits in the country are finding it difficult to raise funds through alternative channels to traditional forms of fund-raising. "This tie-up will enhance Fundnel's access to Indian for-profit ventures seeking international investment capital," said Jain, a Starting Bloc Fellow from Harvard and

Wharton who has had stints with JPMorgan, Boston Consulting Group, Ernst & Young and Instiglio.

The World Bank's Innovation and Entrepreneurship Unit commissioned a study in 2013 that said the global crowdfunding market could reach between \$90 billion and \$96 billion by 2025 - roughly 1.8 times the size of global venture capital industry today. "Impact Guru and Fundnel will bridge the disconnect between early-stage small contributions funding and later-stage larger tranches of return seeking investments. This partnership will represent a transformative innovation for the social impact investing space in India, Southeast Asia, and beyond," said Sam Raymond, crowdfunding specialist with World Bank's Innovation and Entrepreneurship Unit.

Impact Guru has already partnered with non-profits such as Oxfam, SOS Children's Village, Habitat for Humanity, CSR departments of Tata, Godrej, Wockhardt, impact focused organizations such as Dalberg and Asha Impact. "Our ambition is to cross Rs 50 crore in fund raising on the platform for social impact either as investment or through charity over the next two years," said Jain.

"Safarnama" art exhibition of Smt. Kiran Soni Gupta in Delhi

New Delhi : The famous artist Smt. Kiran Soni Gupta, Senior IAS Officer is organizing her art exhibition 'Safarnama' at Civil Services Officers Institute (CSOI), Chanakyaपुरi, New Delhi. The exhibition will continue till 1st May, 2016 from 11 am to 7 pm.

On this occasion, Smt. Gupta has told that around 100 paintings of portraits, sculpture, miniature etc., made by herself, are displayed in this exhibition. She has also informed that some famous paintings like Lotus, Dark & Lovely Woods, Darkness at Noon, Purple Bamboo, Pooja Times [was displayed at Le Louvre Museum in Paris in 2013] Grand Old Man, Rajasthani Nari including paintings based on desert



beauty and colors are also displayed.

Smt. Kiran Soni Gupta is presently Additional Secretary & Financial Adviser in the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports and Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Govt. of India. She is a 1985 batch IAS Officer. She has served Govt. of India in various Departments

besides District Collector in two districts and was Divisional Commissioner of Jodhpur, Ajmer, Bharatpur and Jaipur.

The famous painting "Teen Peedhiyaan" of Smt. Gupta was exhibited in the famous Louvre Museum of Paris in December, 2013. The "Pooja Times" painting was also exhibited in 2012 at Le Louvre Museum of Paris.

A Step Towards Better Education

Udaipur : There will be satellite program organized on 25th April from 10:30 Am to 4 Pm for educational institutional heads to ensure the quality execution of the programs going on under Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan. Rajasthan Madhyamik Shiksha Parishad's additional coordinator told that communication between these institutes is of great importance. To regulate this communication state's 2000 schools' activities are presented to keep a tab on the institutions for the successful execution of the program. This telecast will include various instructions on admission process, ideal school, model school, vocational training, ICT, SIQE, Transport Voucher, Girls' Hostel and School donation amount etc.

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India Auto Expo at Celebration Mall



Udaipur : India auto expo organized from 22nd April to 24th April in Celebration mall where major four wheeler brands like Tata Motors, Maruti Suzuki, Volvo, Scoda and Renault displayed their latest models and SUVs. The highlight of the 4 wheeler segment in the auto show was Volvo cars which have been displayed for the first time in Udaipur at mega level. Volvo has presented their two models XC60 and S60, Skoda Rapid, Renault Duster and Kwid, Maruti Suzuki Vitara Brezza and Ciaz, Tata Motors Zest and Nano. Major 2 wheeler brands like Suzuki, Hero, TVS and Benelli have displayed a range of bikes and scooters. The major highlight of 2 wheeler segment in the auto show is Benelli TNT 600GT which is being displayed in Udaipur for the first time. Ankit Telesara shares that The main aim of the auto show was to provide a wide range of offerings at one location. Shoppers of The Celebration Mall too have a close look at these amazing automobiles and book a test drive too. How may booking made due to this will be interesting to note.

Senior Officers' Meet at MPUAT

Udaipur : A meeting of senior officials of MPUAT presided by Prof. Uma Shankar, Chancellor of MPUAT took a positive note to emphasized at points like better education facility with quality education etc. VC focused on admission process, academics, campus, examination and checking, results and re-checking need to be streamlined in order to ensure the best for the college. He also said that biometric machine should be launched at every unit. Making the students' attendance online was also under the agenda. He also suggested establishing a centre of excellence keeping the possibility of productivity of various vegetables in mind.

Udaipur marks Mahaveer Jayanti

Udaipur : Hundreds and Thousands of Jain community members participated in the huge procession to celebrate Lord Mahaveer's birth anniversary. Under several social groups, series of programs and events took place including blood donation, honor ceremony etc. Rajkumar Fattawat of Mahaveer Yuva Manch informed that the procession begin from UMC compound at 8.30 and concluded at 11.30am at Fateh School. The beautiful procession was consisted of colorful tableaux, camel cart, bikers and horse riders. Several student bands were also attracting the crowd. The procession passed through Babu Bazar, Delhi Gate, Bhupalwadi, Badhbhuja Ghati, Sindh Bazar, Mukherjee Chowk, Marshal Choraha, Surajpol and Fateh School. Fattawat informed that over 600 units of blood were donated by community members at blood donation camp organized by Jain Social Group. Several community members were honored for their selfless contribution to the society which include Milan M Shah, Dhanpatraj Jain, Shantilal Dinesh Kumar Harshkumar Mehta, Samprii Singhvi, Pramod Samar, Rajni Dangi, Dr Mahaveer Chaplot, Nitul Chandalia etc.

Sculpture Making Workshop ends



Udaipur : Five best Sculptors were honored during the closing ceremony of Sculpture Making Workshop at Shilpgram. The 20 day long workshop was organized jointly by West Zone Cultural Center in association with Central Zone Cultural Center Nagpur and Lalit Kala Academy. Artists from 14 different states of country took part in the workshop and created their artwork on marble stones. The artists who got honored were Chandan Kumar Samal from Odisha, Hemant Joshi from Udaipur, Hriday Prakash from Panchkula, Nemaram Jangid from Ahmedabad and Pankaj Gehlot from Sirohi. K.K Mittal, additional secretary Cultural Minister, Government of India was present as the chief guest of the event. He said that the workshop proved as a very effective platform for artists, while admiring all participants Mr. Mittal said that their work could be showcased on the website of Academy. WZCC Director Furqan Khan as well as Piyush Kumar shared their views.

E-Governance is need of hour

Udaipur : With the best use of technology, instilling e-governance tools to the local self units services could be offered to citizens quickly, transparently and will also improve Government Revenue and can also control corruption to certain level, this views was shared Srikanth Nadhamuni Ex CTO of UID Authority of India in a conference held at Vidya Bhawan Auditorium. In the conference "Public Good, Governance and Technology" Srikanth Nadhamuni put light on challenges faced by administration and how common public faces problems in getting government services.

Mr. Jagdish Chandra Toshniwal takes is new MD of Wonder Cement

Udaipur : Wonder Cement Ltd., one of India's fastest growing cement company, announces the appointment of Mr. Jagdish Chandra Toshniwal as its Managing Director. Mr. Toshniwal takes over the reins from Mr. D.P. Somani who was with the company for over 7 years and was instrumental in setting up the entire plant and its expansion in the shortest amount of time.



Executive Director as under his leadership the company has witnessed commendable success and also gauged a phenomenal market share in short span of time. This announcement reflects the company's vision of long term growth journey. I am confident that we will achieve new heights under the leadership of Mr. Toshniwal."

Mr. Jagdish Chandra Toshniwal - Managing Director,

Wonder Cement Ltd. said, "It is an honour now to be promoted as the Managing Director of a young company that has militated the state's cement segment within four years of operations. I look forward to explore various business strategies and diversify our reach at the time of the year when infrastructure development and growth is the subject of concern."

Mr. Toshniwal, a veteran in the cement industry, started his career in the cement industry as a fresher from BITS - Pilani, four decades ago. Mr. Toshniwal's, first assignment was with Udaipur Cement in 1975. Mr. Toshniwal scaled newer heights and was entrusted with leadership positions in Ambuja Cement where he spent a major part of his career spanning close to 18 years. He was the Business Head of the Northern Region at Ambuja Cement in Delhi, during the real estate boom of the state. As a business head, he was responsible for commercial, operational and environmental sustenance.

Mr. Toshniwal joined Wonder Cement in 2015 as Executive Director and under his leadership the company has been able to expand its footprint in Rajasthan and neighboring markets. Mr. Toshniwal has been instrumental in setting up a strong foot hold for Wonder Cements in markets like Ahmedabad, Indore and Northern regions. In line with the company's strategy and objective of becoming a national player in the shortest time, Mr. Toshniwal will now focus on creating a national footprint and generating a larger customer base in the domestic market. A recognized leader, in his new role as Managing Director, Mr. Toshniwal is tasked with accelerating the growth journey and building a futuristic organization. Mr. Toshniwal will lead the organization retaining its endowing culture for young leaders to nurture and grow.

Mr. Ashok Patni - Chairman, Wonder Cement Ltd. said, "I was delighted since the time Mr. Toshniwal came as the

The 'RABARIS'

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Expert in whistling, one of the most interesting ethnic communities is Rabaris. They now inhabit the Kutch region and pass the Puskar region on their migration from the north of Rajasthan. Once a nomadic people, Rabaris follow an interesting lifestyle and customs. Today, most of the Rabaris are settled, though some still continue to be semi-nomadic, raising cattle, camels and goats in the arid deserts of Kutch and western India. Those settled live in small hamlets either in villages or in small towns, sometimes jointly with other ethnic communities and sometimes as a single ethnic unit.

Rabaris can be easily identified by looking at their women folk, who are usually clad with long black head scrapes, distinctive heavy brass earrings which hang low, stretching the earlobes. The red 'chundari' cotton veil with different designs in yellow, green and white, printed by the more modern method of screen printing, often decorated with 'Gota' is typical of the rabari women. Embroidery is a vital, living and evolving expression of the crafted textile tradition of the Rabaris. Afternoons are time for embroidery in all Rabari villages when women routinely embroider. Designs are taken from mythology and from their desert surroundings.

The jewellery of Rabaris is modest in comparison to other tribal women. The pieces which are either of silver or gold are made by the goldsmiths in the village and some are decorated with coloured glass but never with stones. Most of the jewellery pieces are part of a woman's dowry, but a few particular ones, like the 'kara' for the ankles, are given from the husband's family. The classical 'ivory' bangles 'chura' that married women of inner Rajasthan wears at all the length of the arms, nowadays are of white plastic. Another interesting aspect of Rabari women is their earrings which is the most abstract form of snake earrings. Their tattoo magical symbols on their necks, breasts and arms.

In contrast to woman, a Rabari man commonly appears in white dress, golden earrings and a big stick in the hand. They wear dhoti and on the top a short double breasted waist coat (all white) laced over the chest and tied, long sleeves which are gathered up and folded at the arms. They wear a red 'Tul' turban eight meters long (locally called 'Potio'). Old men, when their long beards have turned white, usually change their red turbans to white ones.

Rabaris are devout Hindus. According to their myth of existence they were created by Parvati, the consort of Lord Shiva, who wiped the dust and sweat from Shiva as he was meditating and fashioned the very first camel from the dust balls she collected from his body. Once Shiva had breathed life into this camel, it kept running away, so Parvati fashioned a man, and the first Rabari was given life so he could mind the camel. Keeping animals has thus always been a pious occupation and Rabaris see themselves primarily as custodians of animals during their moral existence, rather than their owners. -Hemant Chandalia

Uber announces price cuts

Udaipur : Uber, the smartphone app that connects riders with drivers at the push of a button has today announced reduction in uberGO prices in ten cities across India. The price reduction is to make Uber the most affordable transportation option for the riders and offer an economic opportunity for hundreds of thousands of micro-entrepreneurs on the platform. With price cuts ranging from 9% in cities like Indore and Nagpur to up to 22% in cities like Jodhpur and Udaipur, Uber rides will now be more affordable, leading to Uber becoming a viable alternative to people driving their own cars.