

# IR & Much More

## Collector Tarachand Meena was felicitated with CM Excellence Award for Mission Kotra

**Udaipur:** District Collector Tara Chand Meena's innovation 'Mission Kotra' rang in Rajasthan on Thursday. Collector Meena was honored with Chief Minister's Public Service Excellence Award (CM Excellence Award) by Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot and Chief Secretary Mrs. Usha Sharma at the state-level function. The Collector was honored by giving a citation and wearing a shawl.

The Collector said that the mission launched to benefit the residents of remote rural areas in the tribal region from the public welfare schemes of the state government has been successful only with the cooperation of Kotra team Udaipur. It is noteworthy that ever since Collector Meena took charge in Udaipur, there has been a profound change in the progress of every scheme here. Collector Meena focuses

es on the tribal area, and government benefits have been ensured to the backward people sitting at the last end.

**Udaipur became Sirmour due to the efforts of Collector Meena.**

District Collector Tara Chand Meena has been honored at various forums during his Udaipur tenure. Be it the first meeting of G-20 held in Udaipur under the chairmanship of India, significant national events, or the VVIP movement, Collector Meena has performed every responsibility very well. Apart from this, he has successfully maintained peace and order in Udaipur due to excellent management of various criminal incidents in the district, incidents affecting law and order, etc.

**Meena was born in Pali**  
Tara Chand Meena, a Hindi Literature, Economics, and Political Science graduate,

was born in the Pali district on July 1, 1964. He has been talented since childhood.

Hailing from a tribal background, Tara Chand Meena worked hard in life, and finally, after getting selected as RAS in 1994, he served at various places in the state. After becoming IAS, he was posted in Udaipur after serving as Director of the Agricultural Marketing Board and District Collector in Chittorgarh.

**This is Mission Kotra for which he got the honor:**

The Collector started Mission Kotra to remove the shortcomings of the remote and backward tribal block Kotra of Udaipur district and create awareness among the ordinary people to get full benefits of the government schemes. Under the mission, 2016 children of 1096 families left out in the block benefit from linking them to the Palanhar Yojana

by setting up village-to-village camps. Arrangements for education, medicine, drinking water, employment training, transport, agricultural and forest products marketing, irrigation, etc., were ensured.

Similarly, in Kotra block, 2814 persons are being given pension facilities, 217 underprivileged persons are being given disability certificates, and 27 are being given the benefit of social security schemes by issuing silicosis certificates. The state of Gujarat gave Ring connectivity to provide uninterrupted internet service to provide benefits of government schemes.

Approval was given for establishing a total of 103 towers of BSNL for a better network; the land was also allotted for 47 new buildings.

Five roadways buses were started for transportation facilities.



ities. Krishi Upaj Mandi also began to provide the product's total price to the tribal farmers.

Apart from this, 10 dairy booths were established for the benefit of cattle herders, and the land was allotted to develop an industrial area, 50 km damaged over the years. Asphaltization of the road was done, and the benefits of the schemes were extended to

the most backward revenue villages of the Kotra region by reintroducing two buses of the dynamic administration to take administration and e-governance door-to-door.

The life of the people has become more accessible due to the development works being done in the area, and the people here have expressed their gratitude to the Collector.

## Jyoti got an internship in the pension department

**Udaipur:** Chief Minister Shri Ashok Gehlot has resolved that employment should be made available to more and more state youth, and every person can support his family by getting work in some form or the other. In this series, the state government has implemented Chief Minister Yuva Sambal Yojana. Through this, unemployed youth get monthly allowance through government office internships. This scheme has not only helped in government work, but temporary employment has also been available to many people.

Jyoti Pahuja, a resident of Hiran Magri Sector 5 of Girwa tehsil of Udaipur, was also looking for employment. When she



got information about Chief Minister Yuva Sambal Yojana, she applied on E-Mitra. After proper investigation, her application was approved, and for an internship, she was allotted the office of the Additional Director, Pension and Pensioners' Welfare Department, Udaipur. She started training last year on April 8, 2022; since then, he has been getting an allowance of Rs 4500 monthly. By doing

this work, she has not only got an opportunity to understand the nuances of government work but can also support her family with the allowance. She has said this is an essential scheme in economic empowerment, for which the Chief Minister expresses gratitude to Ashok Gehlot.

Notably, the Chief Minister Yuva Sambal Yojana implemented to provide relief to unemployed youth has been implemented effectively in Udaipur, and Udaipur district has reached the number one rank in the state. Unemployment allowance is being paid on time to the eligible unemployed. Under the scheme, Rs 4000 per month is being paid to the male unemployed and Rs 4500 per month to the female, transgender, specially-abled (disabled) unemployed, due to which the youth are getting a lot of relief.

## Tribals are eager to fly in the form of a beautiful bird

**E**ager to fly in the air dressed as a beautiful bird hornbill, the Naga tribals dressed in colorful costumes and traditional ornaments with black and white feathers of hornbills and red caps decorated with canine teeth of wild boar, playing flute, drum, trumpet, mouth organ. And when the cup dances while singing songs to the beat of the violin, the onlookers are not only surprised but also thrilled. His unique war dance becomes a heartbeat. Not only this, it is no less than a curiosity to see the culture of the 16 tribals of Nagaland and their traditional arts in one place.

This exciting spectacle of tribal culture is witnessed in the Krishna Heritage village, 12 km from Kohima, the capital of the northeastern Indian state of Nagaland, when they celebrate their most popular Hornbill festival in the first week of December. This occasion is the foundation day of the state of Nagaland, when the state was formed on December 1, 1963. The specialty is that today this festival has become so popular that tourists from all over the world come to see it and participate in the festival.

Initiated by the State Department of Tourism, Art, and Culture, Government of

Nagaland in the year 2000, this festival is celebrated along with cultural events of music and dance of the Nagas, as well as traditional sports, martial arts, archery, wrestling, fashion and beauty pageants, handicrafts, their Fragrance emanates from the Fragrance of the lifestyle, costumes, ornaments, and food, etc. The exhibition displays paintings, sculptures, wood carvings, handicraft items, and more. It is an excellent opportunity for the tourists involved in the festival to buy handicrafts here. The war dance of the Nagas is a martial and athletic dance style in which the dancers' balance is made by sight. Naga men usually perform the Warrior dance. Their other leading dance is the Zeliang dance, in which women participate. Artists wear ornaments made of metal. The chanting, clapping, foot tapping, shouting, and traditional costumes in the dance combine to create a mesmerizing atmosphere that is no less than a wonder for the tourists. What makes this festival unique is the International Rock Concert Competition held here. This incredible concert is considered a launch pad for many up-and-coming bands. With prize money ranging between Rs 30,000 to Rs 1 lakh, the main objective of the competition



tion is to encourage talent from all over India and its neighboring countries, such as South East Asia and even Australia. The exquisite night market that takes place during the Hornbill Festival is also a significant attraction. Tourists come to see handicrafts etc., at night and enjoy delicious food. Also, all of the here at Hornbill Night

In this festival, people forget their differences and come together as a community; in this sense, the Hornbill Festival is a unique and memorable event. People of the tribes get together and sing songs and dance around the bonfire. The festival is also an occasion to pray for prosperity for the coming year. This week-long festival is so colorful, entertaining,

and multifaceted that tourists feel like they are visiting another world. The delightful moments spent with the tribals in their unique world far from modernity become unforgettable.

Hornbills are colorful, long, curved, and shiny birds. The hornbill bird is widely mentioned in the mythology and songs of the Nagas. It has also been declared as the state bird. It is considered a sacred and good luck bird. The coming new year will be promising and fruitful by organizing the festival and its religious rituals.

The government's primary objective behind starting the festival is to introduce the Naga tribes to each other, introduce the country and the world to the culture of the

games, food fairs, and religious ceremonies.

International tourists must register at the Foreigner's Registration Office in the district, and domestic tourists will need an Inner-Line Permit from the local government. Therefore, one must carry a photo identity card with him. The nearest airport and railway station are located at a distance of about 78 km to reach here. Dimapur railway station has regular and frequent trains from Kolkata and Guwahati, so rail travel can also be considered.

Kaamrup Express from Howrah Junction to Dimapur can be considered. From here, one can reach Kohima by bus or taxi. There are regular buses for Kohima by interstate tourist bus from Dimapur and Guwahati. The venue of the festival is 12 km from Kohima. There are hotels for every budget and suitable food arrangements for staying in Kohima. Tourists must also plan to visit Kohima City. Kohima is the best place to spend a relaxing holiday surrounded by natural beauty, majestic hills, and serene views. Some of Kohima's most visited tourist places include Shiloi Lake, Naga Heritage Village, Kohima Zoo, Kohima Museum, and Khonoma Village.

## MP & DM honored Khan

**Udaipur:** Shahrukh Khan of Udaipur won the gold medal representing the Indian team in the Tennis Ball Cricket Bilateral Series held in Bhutan. For this achievement, Shah Rukh Khan was honored by wearing a medal by Udaipur MP Arjun Lal Meena and District Collector Tarachand Meena. Chief Executive Officer Zilla Parishad Mayank Manish, Girwa subdivision officer Saloni Khemka, District Sports Officer Shakeel Hussain, social worker Chunnal Garasia, cricket coach Dilip Bhandari, etc., were present on occasion. Sports officer Hussain said that Shah Rukh Khan was also selected for the Indian team for the Tennis Ball World Championship in Switzerland in June based on his excellent performance in the bilateral series in Bhutan.



## Students should stay away from party politics: Mrs. Sajjan Katara

**Udaipur:** 'Students should avoid party politics' Mrs. Sajjan Katara was called upon in her speech, as the chief guest at the inauguration ceremony. Describing the students as the future backbone of society, she said that the student union is a fundamental unit of any institution responsible for social welfare.

While presiding, Dr. Ajeet Kumar, Vice-Chancellor of Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture and Technology, Karnataka, said that students are the critical pivot of any institution, determining the condition and direction of the society. Referring to the change of the old name of the college from Home Science to Community and Applied Science, he said in the present era, five subjects of the curriculum, namely Food Science and Nutrition, Human Development and Family Studies, Textile and Apparel Design, Resource Management and Consumer Science and Extension have been introduced.



Highlighting the relevance of education and communication management subjects, explained their great need in community development. Congratulations to the organizers for the program's success; the energy was transmitted to the youth. In her welcome address, Executive Dean Dr. Dhriti Solanki congratulated all the winners and wished them a happy future. Distinguished guest Dr. Vivek Katara, Member of - The All India Congress Committee and National Coordinator, All India Tribal Congress, while praising the work done by the University, said that the Char Sangh elections and people's representatives play an essential role in preparing future politicians.

Expressing thanks, Organizing Secretary, Co-Founder-Student Welfare Dr. Gayatri Tiwari, explaining the opposite of the word youth with the example of wind, said that the wind which takes you up also has the power to throw you down, so never be proud or Keep moving towards your goals with positive thoughts, behavior, and actions without being arrogant. General Secretary Mr. Pradeep Sehra expressed gratitude to everyone and said that we could rejuvenate with the leadership of senior students and public representatives.

## India Denmark Water Management International Workshop Concluded

**Udaipur:** The two-day Ayde River basin water management workshop organized at Vidya Bhavan Polytechnic, under the ongoing works under the Green Strategic Cooperation between the Governments of India and Denmark and the mutual partnership agreement between Udaipur Municipal Corporation and Aarhus Municipal Corporation of Denmark, concluded on Thursday. Under the chairmanship of Himani Lohar, a student of Government Higher Secondary School, village Thur, experts



from the country and abroad seriously discussed the scientific contribution of teenagers, young and elderly citizens in the overall management of water sources in the Ayad River basin.

The workshop was organized with Vidya Bhavan, the Embassy of Denmark, the University of Copenhagen, the Danish Hydrological Institute, and the Development Alternative. The Citizen Science Insight leaflet was released on occasion.

Convenor Polytechnic Principal Dr. Anil Mehta said that measuring rainfall, groundwater level, and water quality has started in each part by dividing the Ayad river basin into twenty-five parts (micro watershed). This has increased my understanding of water status and climate change.

Dr. Anitha K Sharma, Senior Officer, Embassy of Denmark, initially informed me about the work under Indo-Denmark cooperation. He said that the public scientific model of Udaipur will

give a new direction to the entire state, country, and world.

Famous scientist Dr. Carsten of Denmark said that he is happy with the scientific talent of the youth of Udaipur. At the same time, the connection of ordinary citizens with water sources is inspiring.

In the presidential address, student Himani Lohar said that it is an exemplary initiative to involve the teenagers and youth of Udaipur in measuring rainfall, groundwater level, water quality, and environmental health of Udaipur. This measurement is being used in state-of-the-art modeling of water management.

In the workshop, former chief city planner Satish Shirmali, University of Copenhagen's Tryne Enmark, hydrology modeling expert K Prabhu, Kuldeep Pareta, geology expert Ravi Sharma, Lake Conservation Committee Secretary Dr. Tej Razdan, environmentalist Kushal Rawal, stepwell patron Sunil Laddha, Geetanjali Institute Of Technology Prof. Dr. Sangeeta Chowdhary, Head of Department, Aravali Institute of Technology, Dr. Sachin Sharma, Manager, ICIAI South Asia, Bhupendra Salodia, Botanist, Dr. Anita Jain, Advisor to DA, K. Vijay Lakshmi, Associate Vice President, Geetika Goswami, Research Scholars, Tanya Issar, Nidhi Sehrawat, Dr. Yogita Dashora, Pankaj Saini, rainwater conservator Mahesh Garhwal, lake lover Drupad Singh kept their views. Government and private colleges located in Ayad river basin Government Higher Secondary School Village Thur, Madar, Sisarma, Alok, Vidya Niketan, Vidya Bhavan, Abhinav School, Stanward School, Aravali Institute, Kalavati Purbia of Geetanjali Institute, Devki Nandan Sharma, Lalita Rathod, Rachna Bhargava, Harshita Sharma, Raunak Jain, Dr. Girish Sharma, Dr. Priyanka Chaudhary, Mahendra Pal, Girish Joshi, Savitri Rao, Shalini Shaswat, Chaitany Sharma, Ramdhan presented the works being done by them.

## We must follow our traditional culture to save the earth and the environment

**Udaipur:** Swami Agnivrat talked about the Vedic culture and that we have to follow our traditional culture to save the planet and the environment.

He spoke today on the second day of the three-day "Sustain Mother Earth" international seminar Dr. Daulat Singh Kothari Research and Education Institute organized in the Science Committee on Earth Day. He also said that all kinds of principles are well explained in Sanskrit. During this, Veran Knepp and his colleague scientist Edward Close talked about earth protection on Zoom from America. The main emphasis was STC, i.e., Space, Time, and Consciousness. Knapp talked about Gmail, and Close spoke about the combination of mathematical methods and spirituality.

Sadhvi Pranshushri and Dr. Vandana Mehta held lectures. While giving information about climate change, Sudheer Shetty said that society has to come forward, and the common man has to take responsibility and limit consumption.

Dr. Vandana Mehta also presented the address of Sadhvi Pranashree. He explained in detail the thinking of Mahatma Gandhi from the perspective of Indian philosophy. Sandeep Sharma said that we have to limit the use of our resources, know the earth's secrets, and use the resources in a balanced manner. He said that we have to co-exist with nature. On this occasion, Chaitanya Sanghani said that we could save nature and the earth only by adopting nature's traditional lifestyle. Famous neurologist Dr. Sudhir Shah told the secret of happiness: if we want to be happy, we can be satisfied. We must embrace the joy of giving and emphasize that the sense of satisfaction and unhappiness is hidden within us.

Sushma Singhvi emphasized non-violence and said that earth is life and life is earth, and we can co-exist only with the spirit of cooperation and giving. Dr. R.M. Pandya noted that we could protect nature and the environment only by cooperating with nature and using resources appropriately. A separate parallel session was also organized for the research students in which articles about saving the earth, nature, and the environment were presented. Kanakji Madrecha spoke from Dubai about the activities of his World Peace Association, which operates in fifty countries and has over 200 members. ISRO scientist Dr. Harish Seth expressed his views on the impact of climate change on the earth and humans.