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RELIGIOUS HARMONY SECTION

KASHMIRIYAT IN ACTION: BUILDING BRIDGES

Muslims Donate Land for Hindu Temple Road

Religious harmony is integral to the spirit of Kashmiriyat.

A clear demonstration of this is the story of two Muslims in Kashmir's Reasi District - Gulam Rasool and Gulam Mohammad – who recently donated their four kanal of land to the Kheral panchayat.

They did so to ensure accessibility to a 500-year-old temple.

On this land, a 1200-metre road will be constructed with a 10-foot width.

This will be done to facilitate the ease of travel and access to Gupt Kashi - Gouri Shankar temple in Kanshi Patta village of Reasi district.

Rasool used to serve on the panchayat previously. He explained that the desire to prevent communal tensions from spiralling in the village inspired him and Mohammed to donate some portions of their land.

He explained, 'The temple didn't have any proper road. Some people had even run a hate campaign intending to create a rift.' – NDTV



TWO MUSLIM MEN IN JAMMU KASHMIR DONATE THEIR 1000000 WORTH LAND TO CONSTRUCT A ROAD FOR 500 YEAR OLD TEMPLE



250 specially abled children of Jammu and Kashmir visits Delhi and Agra under 'Watan Ko Jano' Programme – PIB

Significant efforts have been made in the past to provide Jammu and Kashmir's (J&K) youth, including the specially-abled children, an immersive experience concerning India's multicultural and diverse society.

During one such initiative, at least two hundred and fifty specially-abled school children from J&K visited New Delhi and Agra under the 'Watan Ko Jano' Programme.

This important measure was undertaken by Government of J&K's Social Welfare Department in close coordination with the Union Ministry of Home Affairs.

Regular youth exchange programmes have been conducted by the Ministry of Home Affairs and Jammu and Kashmir's government to expose the youth to the rich socio-cultural diversity that India is renowned for globally.

Such programmes also involve interaction with high-level officials.

Under the Watan Ko Jano programme, children belonging to families affected by terrorism-related activities and marginalised sections of the society are taken on such trips.

- [PIB](#)

CULTURE SECTION

EMPOWERING J&K'S YOUTH

TRIUMPH AT UPSC EXAMS



Women have demonstrated immense skill and talent while undertaking the UPSC Exam.

While Anmol Rathore (Bhandewah, Doda District) has secured the All India Rank 7, Seerat Baji (Kanthol – situated 70 kilometres from Rajouri District) has secured the All India Rank 516 this year.

[Daily Excelsior](#), [ABP Live](#)



SHOWCASING J&K'S VIBRANT CINEMATIC CULTURE TO A GLOBAL AUDIENCE

**J&K'S SUCCESS
STORY SECTION**

**MAKING A MARK AT
THE 77TH CANNES
FILM FESTIVAL**

TRIUMPH AT CANNES FOR J&K

Jammu and Kashmir has established itself as one of the success stories across India due to widespread acclaim garnered by the locals through remarkable achievements in diverse fields.

On the one hand, on 15 May 2024, a delegation from Jammu and Kashmir travelled to Cannes for the 77th edition of the renowned film festival held in the city.

The Jammu and Kashmir Booth in the Bharat Pavilion of the famed Cannes Film Market (Marche du Film) was inaugurated by H. E. Shri. Jawed Ashraf, Ambassador of India to France and Shri Sanjay Jaju, Secretary, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, GoI, along with dignitaries from the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, National Film Development Corporation as well as leading personalities of Indian and International Cinema.

It has been rightly noted that the presence of representatives from J&K at such an important event will persuade reputable filmmakers globally to shoot movies in the scenic places it has to offer.

– *Greater Kashmir*

