International conference on SDEIAT-2011 ends at JU

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JAMMU, Feb 18: The 2-day international conference on “Sustainable Destination Excellence Innovations in Alternative Tourism (SDEIAT-2011)” being organised by School of Hospitality and Tourism Management (SHTM), University of Jammu (JU) concluded here today.

President, Welcome Heritage Group, Rakesh Mathar, was the chief guest while Dean, Faculty of Management Studies Prof. Ashok Arora and Secretary, Indian Tourism Congress Prof. S.P. Bassel were the guests of honour.

Dean Academic Affairs, Jammu University, Prof. R.D. Sharma, presided over the valedictory function.

Mr. Mathar talked about the responsibility and honourable tourism in his address. He emphasized on the fact that we have to build the concept of perpetual tourism and to motivate the youngsters to be sensitive towards their environment.

Pandit Matra, said it was a good effort to build the concept of perpetual tourism.

How eco friendly accommodation infrastructure could be facilitated and its relevant in the post-globalization scenario.

Dr. Vikneswaran Nair, Director, Research and Development, Taylor’s University, Malaysia, in his key note address highlighted the need for sustained tourism growth.

Prof. R.D. Sharma appreciated the efforts of SHTM for enhancing the research expertise by such type of conferences and also lauded the efforts of faculty members in achieving the high standards in the academic level.

Prof. Arora and Prof. Bassel also lauded the efforts of the organizers in bringing together galaxy of researchers from around the globe at single platform.

Earlier, Dr Parikshit Singh Manhas, briefed the delegates about the 12 sessions held during conference informed that scholars and researchers from around the globe read over 100 papers.

Dr. Suvijita Khanam conducted the proceedings while Prof. Deepak Raj Gupta, Director, School of Hospitality and Tourism Management, presented the vote of thanks.


Reports said that as soon as Shah finished the prayers and came out a group of people raised slogans against the Government. They were joined by the police and soon police swung into action and arrested Shah along with his supporters.

They were taken to Police Station Nishat and lodged there.

Power shut down

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According to Superintendent of Engineer, Elect. M&RRE Circle Jammu, the shut down of clocked 33KV Devak Feeder Udhampur and 33 KV Army Feeder emanating from 220/132 KV Grid Station Udhampur for erection of tower and associated stringing at location No. 17/51 of 33KV Udhampur Transmission line has been allowed on February 20, 21, and 22, 2011 from 8.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.