

Inter-Collegiate Chess Championship 2023-24

GCET Jammu wins men, PG Dept women titles

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JAMMU: Government College of Engineering & Technology (GCET) Jammu and P.G Department of University of Jammu won the respective men and women titles of the Inter-Collegiate Chess Championship 2023-24, organized by the Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu at Gymnasium Hall, here on Friday.

In men's section final, GCET Jammu beat PG Deptt, JU by 3-1 points and won the title. Rakshit Lakhanpal of GCET beat Abhinesh Singh (PG Dept); Angad Singh Bali of GCET beat Shubdeep Sharma; Arshit Mohan Sharma of GCET beat Sakal Sharma; Keshav Mansotra of GCET lost to Navdeep Singh.



Winner teams posing for a photograph with dignitaries.

MIET Jammu beat GDC Bhaderwah by (2.5-0.5) points and won bronze medal. Raghav Sharma of MIET beat Sumeer Sharma; Sheershak Sharma of MIET beat Himshakar Katoch; Tushar Pandita of MIET lost to

Arjun Kumar. The match between superb Jain of MIET & Uqaab Alam remained draw.

Women's section: PG Department JU team beat GCW Udhampur by (3-1) points in the final and won the title. Manisha Mahajan

of PG Department beat Unvesha Sharma; Naina Sharma of PG Department beat Kajal Devi; Sonali Manhas of PG Department beat Kiran Sharma; Isha Janwal of PG Department lost to Bhawna Sharma.

GDC Poonch team beat

GDC Ramnagar by 3-1 points. Rashima Sharma of GDC Poonch beat Palvi Sharma; Ritika Verma of GDC Poonch beat Bandhna Devi; Tamina Falak of GDC Poonch beat Sloni Devi; and Mussarat Nayeem of GDC Poonch lost to Nisha Devi.

On the occasion Dr. Mandeep Singh, Balbir Singh Chib, Rajinder Singh, Vimal Kishore, Dr.Mukesh Kumar, Jai Bharat, Raj Kumar Bakshi, Gagan Kumar, Ravinder Singh and Ravish Vaid were present.

The matches were conducted under the supervision of Dr. Daud Iqbal Baba, Director Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, JU.

The matches were officiated by S. P Sharma, Sushil Sawhney, Inderjeet Singh and Padam Dev Singh.

GDC Ramnagar women win volleyball trophy



Prof. Anil Gupta (SHTM) presenting trophy to the winner volleyball team at JU on Friday.

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JAMMU: Women of Ramnagar in district Udhampur today proved that the hilly tehsil has got the exceptional talent in Volleyball when they lifted the title trophy of the annual inter-college competitions of University of Jammu (JU), here.

In the final, the visiting side of Government Degree College (GDC) Ramnagar outplayed the defending

champion, autonomous college of Government College for Women (GCW) Parade in Jammu in straight sets of 25-16, 25-15, 25-18.

The event was organised by the Directorate of Sports and Physical Education JU on the campus courts, here. Earlier, in the semifinals, GCW Parade defeated GDC Pouni in district Reasi 2-0 (25-16, 25-18) and GDC Ramnagar trounced the combined side of

Post Graduate (PG) Departments of JU 2-0 (25-18, 25-11). Later, in the hard-liner, PG defeated GCW Parade to finish third.

The title trophies and medals presented by Prof. Anil Gupta (SHTM) to the winner and runners-up teams. The competition officiated by the technical panel including Mulkh Raj, Amit Sharma, Shubham, Anil, Buneet Singh and Manu Singh Pawar.

JK Public School Kunjwani excels in zonal level skating competition



JK Public School Kunjwani faculty felicitating winner students on Friday.

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JAMMU: In the Inter-District Zonal Level Competition held on October 11 and 12, 2023 at MA Stadium Jammu, JK Public School Kunjwani won two gold, one silver and two bronze medals.

The event was organized under the banner of School

Games Federation of India (SGFI).

The proud winners included Gurtej Singh, one Gold medal in 500 meters Race, one Gold Medal in 1000 meter Race and one Silver Medal in 1500 meter race. Rudra Arora won one bronze medal one each in 500 meter race and 1000

meter race.

Principal JK Public School, Rajesh Rathore congratulated the winners and felicitated them in the school assembly. He also lauded the school coach Varun Anand and HOD (Sports) Subash Chander for preparing students for the competition.

JKPS Panjtirthi students shine in 5th J&K UT Kudo Championship-2023

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JAMMU: Students of JK Public School (JKPS) Panjtirthi brought laurels to the school and their parents by winning medals in 5th Jammu and Kashmir UT Kudo Championship-2023 organised by Jammu and Kashmir Kudo Martial Art Association, here recently.

Among various reputed schools, two students named Ojaswin Gupta of class 4th and Satvik Gupta of class 6th of JKPS Panjtirthi clinched gold medals and brought laurels to school. The Principal of JKPS Panjtirthi, Suman Banbah congratulated the winners and motivated the Jakians saying, "Success is the journey, a journey of ups and downs, one who wins, gets the crown. It is not so hard and not so tough, but yes, its road will be rough. There will be stepping stones but our hard work can turn them into milestones."



JKPS Panjtirthi Principal Suman Banbah felicitating winner students.

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RAMBAN: Inter-District Division Level Tournament in Chess discipline under 17 and 19 years Girls sections was concluded at Model Higher Secondary School Ramban under the Direction of Director Youth Services & Sports J&K Subash Chander Chibber and under the supervision of District Youth Services and Sports Officers, Dharamveer Singh.

Chief Guest on the occasion of the closing ceremony was District Treasury Officer Deepak Gupta.

About 75 Girls from Eight Districts of Jammu province including Kishtwar, Samba, Doda, Udhampur, Kathua, Ramban, Jammu and Rajouri took part in the tournament.

DYSSO Ramban in his speech congratulated all the winners of the Chess game



Chief Guest presening trophy to a winner team.

and advised them to improve their game and practice continuously. He also said that the main aim of this tournament was to nourish the sports talent and develop team spirit among the youth.

The final chess competition Under 19 was between

Jammu and Kathua and Jammu won the toss and choose raid, Kathua won by 3-1 points and the final chess competition Under 17 was between Jammu and Kathua, Kathua won the toss and choose raid, Jammu won by 3-1 points.

Jammu Skating meet of DYSS held



Skaters competing in the meet at Jammu.

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JAMMU: Organised by the Department of Youth Services and Sports (DYSS), annual inter-school (boys and girls) Skating meet of district Jammu held at MA Stadium, here on Friday. Around 150 participants were there to compete in races of various distances under the guidance of technical penal from the department. The Results: Under-11 Boys: Inline 500 mts: Tavish (JM Public School), Ist; Mridul (DPS), 2nd and Aayan (DPS), 3rd. Quard 500 mts: Gurjeet Singh (JK Public), Its; Adwait (GD Goenka) and Asim (JM Public School), 3rd. Under-14 Boys: Quard 500 mts: Darun (KC International School), Ist; Punesh Puri (Heritage), 2nd and Abhihav (Shurya International School), 3rd.

SMVDU organises awareness campaign on women's rights & domestic violence

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KATRA: The Internal Complaint Committee (ICC) and National Service Scheme (NSS), SMVDU joined hands to organise an awareness campaign on Women's Rights and Domestic Violence (Prevention of Sexual Harassment Act) on Friday at the Matrika Auditorium.

The purpose of the Campaign was to create awareness on women's rights and domestic violence since all are expected to have the basic awareness regarding POSH Act, 2013 and, should respect the dignity of women. SMVDU bears the responsibility to organize training programs or workshops for the Officers, Functionaries, Faculty and Students as indicated in the SAKSHAM Report (Measures for Ensuring the Safety of Women and



Prof. Pragati Kumar, Vice Chancellor, SMVDU and others dignitaries at a programme.

Programmes for Gender Sensitization on Campuses) of the Commission, to sensitize them and ensure knowledge and awareness of the rights, entitlements and responsibilities enshrined in the Act and under the HEI regulations.

The Chief Guest for the event

was Prof. Pragati Kumar, Vice Chancellor, SMVDU and Guest of Honor were Nagendra Singh Janwal, Registrar, SMVDU and Neeraj Gupta, Finance Officer who thanked the invited dignitaries and the event organizers for bringing to fore this sensitive subject. They illumi-

nated on the sensitization of gender issues, the inclusion of empathy and requested the students to appeal if they face sexual violence so that the perpetrators don't get emboldened. In this context two expert lectures were delivered.

Kiran Thakur, Advocate,

Jammu High Court spoke about 'Rights, Responsibilities, and Remedies: Domestic Violence Awareness Workshop' and briefed the students about the basics of Domestic Violence, its types and examples of abuse one might be inflicted upon, followed by an interactive illustration demonstrating the guidelines of the Domestic Violence Act. A video documentary on 'Why Indian households normalize domestic violence' was consequently played. It was followed by the next guest Lecture on 'Sexual Harassment and Police FIR' by Neeta Verma, a Criminal Lawyer, and a member of the International Council of Jurists and practicing Advocate at the Supreme Court of India. She elucidated the details of the Sexual Harassment Act and the POSH Act, and the different sections under ICC that fend off sexual violence. The audience was made aware about the

Universal helpline numbers (WHL) and One Stop Centers (OSC) available in case they need to lodge a complaint. An eclectic mix of cultural performances including poem recitation and singing were brought in by the culturally active students of SMVDU. The event was organized by the team comprising of Dr. Sharada Potukuchi, Dr. Samanda, Vinod Kumar, B.K. Bhatia, Anu Suri, Members of the ICC; Minerva, Manyu Verma, Samiksha, Student Members of ICC; Dr. Rajiv Kumar; Dr. Kamaldeep, the Coordinators of NSS Unit of SMVDU and Jaipal Janwal Staff associated with ICC and the student volunteers from various Schools of the University. The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. BK Bhatia, Placement Officer, SMVDU. The campaign ended on a patriotic note with the orchestration of the National Anthem.

JMC Mayor, Dy Mayor lead Amrit Kalash Yatra

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JAMMU: An impressive Amrit Kalash Yatra was organized on Friday by Jammu Municipal Corporation commencing from Maharaja Hari Singh Memorial park which culminated at Gulshan ground, Jammu.

The event was a part of the 'Meri Maati Mera Desh' campaign and is marked by patriotic slogans of "Bharat Mata Ki Jai," "Vande Mataram," and "Meri Maati Mera Desh." The Yatra received 'Amrit Kalash' from 75 wards of Jammu Municipal Corporation. The Yatra started with great fervor; aims to encapsulate the profound sacrifices and unwavering dedication that have



Jammu Mayor, Rajinder Sharma leading Amrit Kalash Yatra.

shaped our nation's journey.

At Gulshan Ground a massive map of India is created with humans holding Amrit Kalash received from 75 wards. The students of Schools/colleges wearing Tricolour caps filled the map.

The map of India filled with humans presents a magnificent view and everyone present in the ground is thrilled and chanting patriotic slogans.

Mayor, Jammu, Rajinder

Sharma graced the occasion as Chief Guest along with Deputy Mayor, Baldev Singh Billawaria, ward councilors, retired army officials, Police personnel's, JMC officers/offi-

cials, School/College students and prominent citizens of Jammu City also present at the occasion.

Later, the families of the brave martyrs were honored by Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Commissioner and Joint Commissioner Administration.

Further, at Police Auditorium, Gulshan Ground, JMC organized an impressive program featuring patriotic theme-based cultural performances and Nukkad Natak by local artists and students from educational institutions.

Speaking at the event, Mayor, Jammu expressed profound gratitude to martyrs and lumi-

naries who have contributed to the nation's progress, emphasizing the campaign's significance in preserving their legacy.

"This visionary initiative truly summarizes our collective dedication to the cherished ideals of freedom and progress that have shaped our nation's journey. 'Meri Maati, Mera Desh' is poised to ignite a profound sense of belonging among every citizen. It is a call to action that seeks to inspire and empower, fostering a deep connection with our land and heritage while galvanizing individuals to contribute actively to the holistic growth of our great nation," said Mayor, Jammu.

JU pays musical tribute to Singer Kishore Kumar on his 'Punyatithi'

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JAMMU: The Music Club, under the leadership of Prof Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu (JU) and under the umbrella of UTSAAH, The Clubs, JU on Friday paid rich tribute to the musical maestro and actor, Kishore Kumar on his 36th Death Anniversary. On this occasion, a musical programme was organized at the University of Jammu.

The musical event was attended by music enthusiasts and fans of Kishore Kumar.



A participant singing a song during a programme.

Budding singers which included faculty, officers, students, scholars and other employees of the University

recreated the magic of the iconic songs of Kishore Kumar.

Each performance was a

heartfelt message to the Legendary actor and singer.

The purpose of organizing the musical event was to bridge the generational gap and create awareness among the present generation about the essence of music and the unique singing style of the evergreen singer.

By organizing this event, the younger generation was familiarised with the timeless beauty of immortal Kishore Daa's songs to promote the rich musical heritage that Kishore Kumar represented to generations,

ensuring that his legacy continues to resonate with the generation to come, especially when in view of the uniqueness of the old music, the trend of remixing of old songs is largely attracting the new generation as well.

The programme conducted under the overall guidance of Prof Satnam Kour, Chairperson-Utsah (The Clubs) was deeply appreciated by all and the need for organising such programs regularly was also reiterated by all the participants.

Among many dignitaries,

which included Coordinators of the different Clubs of the University, the distinguished guest were Prof Neelu Rohmetra, Prof Prakash C Antahal, Prof Monika Chadha, Prof Suman Jamwal and Prof Romesh Sharma.

Dr Vikram Sahi, Librarian Dhanvantri Library, University of Jammu and Shrishti Sharma conducted the proceedings. The vote of thanks was presented by Dr Neeraj Sharma, Coordinator - The Music Club, JU.