

JKP bag Pencak Silat overall trophy in Police Games

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SRINAGAR: Securing highest 53 points, the hosts Jammu and Kashmir Police bagged overall championship trophy in Pencak Silat in the ongoing 10th All India Police Games Judo Cluster being held under the banner of All India Police Sports Control Board at Sher-e-Kashmir Indoor Sports Complex (SKISC), here on Saturday.

Since J&K Police could not field women team, the men alone guided the side to become champion with 13 medals, including eight gold, four silver and one bronze.

The overall second place went to SSB with 47 points earned in both men and women sections while ITBP finished third with 26 points. In total, 20 teams took part in Pencak Silat event. The Karnataka Police could not open the account thus draw blank in the medal tally.



Overall Champion in Pencak Silat, the J&K Police team in a jubilant mood at SKISC in Srinagar on Saturday.

Earlier, J&K emerged overall champion in men section with 53 points while SSB (29) and Assam Rifles (25) remained second and third respectively.

In women section, the overall trophy clinched by Chandigarh Police with 23 points. The SSB and Punjab Police secured equal 18 points to finish second and

third respectively. Meanwhile, the competition in Judo stated today at SKISC in the afternoon session soon after the medal ceremony of the Karate and Pencak Silat events.

The Results (TENDING):
MALE: 45-50 kg: Abhishek Verma, Uttarakhand, 1st; Ahsan-ul-Haq, J&K, 2nd; Saroj Chhetry, Jharkhand

and Surendra Kumar Yadav, Uttar Pradesh, 3rd. 50-55 kg:Ningombam Bikram Singh, Assam Rifles, 1st; Pankaj Gahlot, SSB, 2nd; Wairokpa Herojit Singh, ITBP and Eshu Bharti, Uttarakhand, 3rd. 55-60 kg: Sameer Ahmad Sheikh, J&K, 1st; Gulshan Rajbhar, Assam Rifles, 2nd; M Shasheer, Andhra Pradesh and S K Rabbani, West Bengal, 3rd. 60-65 kg: Aaryan, SSB, 1st; BSN Murty, Andhra Pradesh, 2nd; Nijwm Basumatary, Assam and V Sujaikaran, Tamil Nadu, 3rd. 65-70 kg: Huidrom Bishan Meetei, Assam Rifles, 1st; Sohanveer Singh, SSB, 2nd; Aman, Chandigarh and Sunil, ITBP, 3rd. 70-75 kg: L Dhane Singh, Assam Rifles, 1st; Mohamad Danish Wani, J&K, 2nd; KVVSS Ram Prasad, SSB and Bineet Yadav, Uttar Pradesh, 3rd.

75-80 kg: Adil Ahmad Bhat, J&K, 1st; Satender Singh Bogal, SSB, 2nd; Henkong Khiam, Assam Rifles and Raj Kumar Poonia, Rajasthan, 3rd. 80-85 kg: Samit Zahoor, J&K, 1st; Rajesh Maurya, SSB, 2nd; D N V Ratnambabu, Andhra Pradesh and Vikas Kharb, ITBP, 3rd. 85-90 kg: K Charan Teja, Andhra Pradesh, 1st; Akhil Sharma, J&K, 2nd and Manoj Kumar, Uttar Pradesh, 3rd. 90-95 kg: Malik Asraf-ul-Haq, J&K, 1st; Chaina Ram Sepat, Rajasthan, 2nd; Mistry Ajay Devlal, CISF and Tarun Vishwakarma, SSB, 3rd. 95-110 kg: Arvinder Singh, J&K, 1st; Vishal Bisht, ITBP, 2nd; Amit Kumar, Chandigarh and Amanpreet Singh, 3rd. Above 110 kg: V Narendra, Andhra Pradesh, 1st; Balram, ITBP, 2nd; Vishal, CISF and Saleem Sultan, J&K, 3rd.

KGP J&K toppers felicitated



Kreeda Bharati J&K members felicitating J&K topper of Kreeda Gyan Priksha.

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JAMMU: Kreeda Bharati Jammu and Kashmir felicitated the J&K topper of Kreeda Gyan Priksha (KGP), Anish Sharma of Brahmrishi Bawra Shanti Vidya Peeth School Udhampur.

In this nationwide sports general knowledge examination, which was conducted by the Kreeda Bharati, Anish, a 6th standard stu-

dent of the institution secured 48 marks. Eva Mahajan, a 11th standard student of the same school, was second with 47 marks.

The third place in J&K bagged by Pravika of Bharatiya Vidya Mandir Higher Secondary School, Nainsu in Udhampur with 46 marks.

Kunal Bhagat of Amba Kids School, Panthal in district Reasi. Kunal secured

43 marks. Important to mention here that around 1500 students from J&K participated in the KGP this year. All the winners and head of their institutions were felicitated by president Kreeda Bharati J&K, Shiv Kumar Sharma in the presence of senior vice president, R C Vaid; secretary, Ashutosh Sharma and treasurer, Rahul Sharma.

Zulfikar guides young swimmers of Kashmir



Zulfikar receiving certificate.

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JAMMU: Zulfikar Ali has been instrumental in playing a key role in guiding and motivating young swimmers from Kashmir valley to pursue sporting career in aquatics.

Zulfikar, presently part of the J&K Police Central team, has done a certificate course in swimming from SAI NIS Patiala in 2021. Subsequently, he was invited by the All India Sports Control Board (AIPSCB) to undergo a refresher course from SAI NS Southern Centre Bangalore in July last.

Also a technical official, Zulfikar has many a times officiated at the national level competitions.

"We are eagerly waiting for the National standard under construction swimming to compete and become functional in Srinagar. With this upcoming modern facility, youngsters in Kashmir will train and excel at the National level," said Zulfikar.

MLA Mohan Lal felicitates winners at Zonal Level Athletics Meet

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A K H N O O R : T h e Department of Youth Services and Sports, Zone Akhnoor, concluded the Inter-School Zonal Level Athletics Meet for Boys and Girls of all age groups at Sports Stadium Palwan under the supervision of Incharge ZPEO Ashok Kumar.

MLA Akhnoor, Mohan Lal Bhagat, graced the closing ceremony as the Chief Guest and encouraged the young athletes to actively participate in such events to foster discipline, teamwork, and physical fitness.

Sushma Thakur, Principal GHSS Sohal, was the Guest of Honour on the occasion.

ZPEO Akhnoor extended gratitude to Jugal Kishore, Manager, Sports Stadium Palwan, for providing ground and allied facilities. The event concluded with the distribution of medals among the winners of various track and field events amidst cheers and applause.

Boys Section:



MLA Akhnoor, Mohan Lal Bhagat presenting medals to winners.

In the Under-14 category, the winners were M.D. Mutabir Khan (APS Akhnoor) in 100m, Bhanu Pratap (APS Akhnoor) in 200m, Pratimesh (APS Akhnoor) in 400m, and Harsh (GHS Garkhal) in 600m. In field events, Ashwit (APS Akhnoor) clinched first place in Shot Put, Arnav Mangotra (GHS Devipur) in Discus Throw, Adarsh Bhagat (GMS Palwan) in Long Jump, and Sarvagya

Sharma (APS Akhnoor) secured victory in High Jump.

In the Under-17 category, Vansh (APS Akhnoor) won the 100m race, followed by Ansh Kumar (APS Akhnoor) in 200m and Arjun (APS Akhnoor) in 400m. Sumit Bhasin (GHS Kotli Tanda) topped the 800m, Vivek Sharma (GHS Sunail) claimed the 1500m, and Abhinandan (APS Akhnoor) excelled in the 3000m event. In the field events, Om (APS Akhnoor) clinched first place in Shot Put, Raghav Sharma (GHS Mera Mandrian) in Discus Throw, Mandeep Singh (GHSS Sohal) in Javelin

Throw, Pawan Seekal (GHS Kot Garhi) in Long Jump, Vishu Sharma (GHS Kot Garhi) in High Jump, and Tanish Kumar (GHS Devipur) in Triple Jump.

In the Under-19 category, Rohit Manhas (APS Akhnoor) won the 100m race, followed by Vishesh Sharma (GBHSS Akhnoor) in 200m and Sukhdeep Singh (GHSS Sohal) in 400m. Akshat Khajuria (APS Akhnoor) topped the 800m, Rohit Sharma (GHSS Sohal) claimed the 1500m, and Tanish (GHSS Narrari Bala) excelled in the 3000m event. In the field events, Sahil Sharma (GHSS Sohal) clinched

first place in Shot Put, Gharu Ram Bral (APS Akhnoor) in Discus Throw, Ansh Shri Pandey (APS Akhnoor) in Javelin Throw, Amit Kumar (GBHSS Akhnoor) in Long Jump, and Sukhdeep Singh (GHSS Sohal) in High Jump.

Girls Section

In the Under-14 category, the winners were Gitika Kumari (GHS Devipur) in 100m, Siya Devi (GHSS Sohal) in 200m, Shivani (GHS Kotli Tanda) in 400m, and Loveleen Kour (APS Akhnoor) in 600m. In field events, Mansi Sharma (GHS Mera Mandrian) clinched first place in Discus Throw, Bansoo Devi (GHS Devipur) in Long Jump, and Loveleen Kour (APS Akhnoor) secured victory in High Jump.

In the Under-17 category, Tanya (APS Akhnoor) won the 100m race, followed by Priya (APS Akhnoor) in 200m and Trishana Devi (GHSS Narrari Bala) in 400m. Manisha Sharma (GHSS Sohal) topped the 800m, Pawna Hans (GHS Devipur) claimed the 1500m, and Sonali Sharma (GGHSS Akhnoor) excelled in the 3000m event. In the field events, Priya Devi

(GGHSS Akhnoor) clinched first place in Shot Put, Bandana Devi (GGHSS Akhnoor) in Discus Throw, Ishita Sharma (GGHSS Akhnoor) in Javelin Throw, Rajni Devi (GHS Devipur) in Long Jump, Priyanka Sharma (GGHSS Akhnoor) in High Jump, and Aahana (APS Akhnoor) in Triple Jump.

In the Under-19 category, Anjali Devi (GHSS Narrari Bala) won the 100m race, followed by Baby Sharma (GHSS Sohal) in 200m and Manshu Verma (GHSS Sohal) in 400m. Aahana (APS Akhnoor) topped the 800m, Preeti Devi (GGHSS Akhnoor) claimed the 1500m, and Mani Devi (GGHSS Akhnoor) excelled in the 3000m event. In the field events, Sanjana Devi (GGHSS Akhnoor) clinched first place in Shot Put, Meenakshi Devi (GGHSS Akhnoor) in Discus Throw, Jasdeep Kour (GGHSS Akhnoor) in Javelin Throw, and Diksha Rani (GGHSS Akhnoor) secured victories in both Long Jump and High Jump.

The meet concluded amid cheers and appreciation for the athletes' outstanding performances, sportsmanship, and enthusiasm.

JKP first to set up MRT in India

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JAMMU: The Jammu and Kashmir Police have become only such belt force in the entire county to have established its own specialised Mountain Rescue Team (MRT).

Making a modest beginning in 2009 soon after JKP's own staffer, Ram Singh Slathia, climbed the world's highest peak, Mount Everest in 2008, the MRT has grown into a 1300-member strong team.

Further, these trained individuals and their instructors, including two more Everest Climbers, Nazir and Flail Singh (2019), constitute 17



different teams of MRT of J&K Police.

"Not only engaged in rescue in the Union Territories of J&K and Ladakh, the special mountaineering wing of the J&K Police have successfully completed 45 expeditions

within and outside the country," said head of the MRT, Ram Singh Slathia.

An important part of the J&K Police, the 16 years old, MRT shall soon become full-fledged mountaineering institute on the lines of existing Jawahar Institute of Mountaineer (JIM) and National Institute of Mountaineering (NIM).

The MRT has already established its basic training base in district Samba, where, apart from JKP, special groups from other forces are being trained in mountain rescue.

"Apart from training own men and women, the MRT

has already provided specialised training to over 2000 individuals from NDRF, CRPF, SDRF and other volunteer organisation," informed Ram Singh.

Meanwhile, it has been reliably learned that the process to establish an independent mountain institute of the JKP was initiated by then ADGP, S M Sahai in 2014.

"Now, the present ADGP Armed, Anand Jain is taking a keen interest and the things have started moving towards the ultimate goal of an independent mountaineering institution by the J&K Police," informed sources.

Inter-school painting competition showcases young creativity at Kala Kendra

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JAMMU: The Jammu & Kashmir Private Schools Association (JKPSA), in collaboration with Kala Kendra Jammu, organized an Inter-School Painting Competition at Kala Kendra, Jammu.

The event brought together the creative energy of young students from across the region, celebrating their imagination and artistic talent through color and expression.

A total of 370 students from 45 schools participated, each showcasing their artistic abilities under two thought-provoking themes - "Save Environment" and "Women Empowerment."

The competition aimed to inspire students to translate social awareness and sensitivity into visual form, promoting both creativity and consciousness through art.

The event was graced by Gurdev Saraji, Joint Director, as the Chief Guest, and Ajeet Sharma, Chief Education Officer, Jammu, as the Guest of Honour. Other distinguished guests included Dr. Javid Rahi, Secretary, Kala Kendra (Department of Culture); Dr. Kasturi Lal Gupta, Chairman, Siyaana Nagrik Club for Dogri Promotion; and G.N. Tantray. Special Guests were Deepak Handa and Gaurav Charak.

The jury panel comprised distinguished artists Ajay Kumar Sood and Gayatri Kotwal (both UT Awardees 2023), along with Priya Gupta, Best Artist, IIM.

In the Women Empowerment category,



Ojasvi from Shiksha Niketan HSS and Archana from Bharatiya Shiksha Kendra, Domana, won the 1st Prize, followed by Keshav from Co-operative Public School, Janipur, who secured the 2nd Prize, and Aryan from Dewan Devi School, Rajpura, along with Harshdeep from Shiksha Niketan HSS, who also shared the 2nd Prize. The 3rd Prizes were awarded to Jannat from Heaven Kingdom, Janipur, Maasi from New Bal Shiksha Kendra, and Vaishnavi from KNIT Green Model Academy.

In the Save Environment (Group B) category, the 1st Prize was shared by Adarsh from J&K Police Public School and Khushi from S.D. Tara Puri School, Gandhi Nagar. The 2nd Prize was jointly won by Sonali from Devine Light St. Mary's Convent School, Kanav from Vimal Vidyalaya, Akalpur, and Ishita from Shakti Shiksha Kendra HSS. The

3rd Prize went to Ashish and Meera from KNIT Green Model Academy, and Atiba from Indira Memorial HSS, Galwadey.

The competition was organized under the guidance of Lal Chand Gandotra (District President, Jammu), with the dedicated efforts of Usha Jamwal, Neeru Puri, Vasundhara, Bindiya Samyal, Karuneshwar, and Deepali Handa. The event was sponsored by MBD Group, whose continued support for educational and cultural initiatives was widely appreciated.

The program concluded with words of encouragement from the guests, who praised the young participants for their imagination and effort. The competition not only celebrated artistic excellence but also reinforced the importance of art as a tool for environmental and social awareness among youth.

DPS Jammu Girls' Basketball team wins gold at Slam Jam Challenge Tournament

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JAMMU: The Girls' Basketball Team of Delhi Public School (DPS) Jammu made the school and their parents proud by winning the gold medal in the Slam Jam Challenge Basketball Tournament, held at Shaurya International School, Jammu, from 9th to 11th October 2025.

In final match, Team DPS Jammu triumphed over Air Force School Jammu with an impressive score of 28-16 in the Under-17 category.

The winning team members included Gunshen Kour (XI-G), Vibhuti Mahajan (X-E), Priyanshi Gupta (XI-E), Ajiti Kikloo (X-C), Bismar Kour (X-B), Anshra Iftikhar (IX-B),

Parneet Kour (IX-B), Gurmarnat Kour (IX-A), Aadhiya Choudhary (IX-C), Avni Dubey (VIII-J), and Kavya Gupta (VIII-H), and Yashica Gupta (VIII-C).

Gunshen Kour received the Best Shooter Award, while Vibhuti Mahajan on this outstanding achievement. They wished the team continued success in their future sporting endeavours.

The Management of DPS

District Kathua Fencing Championship 2025-26 concludes

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JAMMU: The District Kathua Fencing Championship 2025-26 concluded on Saturday after two days of intense and spirited competition, witnessing the enthusiastic participation of over 100 fencers from across the district.

Organized by the District Kathua Fencing Association under the aegis of the Jammu & Kashmir Fencing Association (JKFA), an affiliated unit of the Fencing Association of India, the event showcased remarkable talent and sportsmanship.

Held at Garden of Children High School, Dewal Billawar, the championship featured bouts in Epee, Foil, and Sabre across various age groups for both boys and girls. The event served as a platform for young athletes to display their skills, discipline, and passion for fencing.

The closing ceremony was graced by Chief Guest Pt. Satish Sharma, MLA Billawar, who congratulated all participants and lauded the efforts of the organizers. Major Dushant was the Guest of Honor, while Mohit Gupta, Sansar Singh and Amreek Singh were Special Guests.

Key officials present included Ravinder Kumar (President), Lal Chand (General Secretary), Makhna Lal (Treasurer), and Parbhat Singh (Organizing Secretary). The event was technically conducted by Mohit Sharma and a dedicated team of officials.

Medals and certificates were awarded to winners, marking a successful culmination of the championship and reaffirming the association's commitment to promoting fencing in the region.

Results
BOYS Under-17 Sabre Boys: Vansh Raina (Gold), Abhinandan Verma (Silver), Raghu Nandan (1st Bronze) and Abhi Verma (2nd Bronze). Under-12 Sabre: Shivay (Gold), Agrim (Silver), Vvaan (1st Bronze) and Pranav (2nd Bronze). Under-12 Foil: Nawam (Gold), Advik (Silver), Varun (1st Bronze) and Sarvagya (2nd Bronze). Under-14 Epee: Saksham (Gold), Dakshesh (Silver) and Aryan (Bronze). Under-14 Sabre: Shivaansh (Gold), Arjun Pandit (Silver), Nishant (1st Bronze) and Sahil (2nd Bronze). Under-17 Epee: Gorav (Gold), Aditya (Silver), Sahil (1st Bronze) and Sumit

(2nd Bronze). Under-14 Foil: Aditya (Gold), Aayush (Silver), Mohit (2nd Bronze) and Harsh (1st Bronze). Under-17 Foil: Jateen (Gold), Akhil (Silver) and Parul (Bronze). Under-19 Foil: Ajay (Gold) and Kartik (Silver). Under-19 Epee: Rahul (Gold) and Devansh (Silver). Under-19 Sabre: Anayatullah (Gold). Open Sabre: Mayank Sharma (Gold).

GIRLS Under-17 Epee: Banshika Verma (Gold), Radhika Sharma (Silver), Bhumika Thakur (1st Bronze) and Hemani Devi (2nd Bronze). Under-12 Sabre: Ruhaniika (Gold), Advita (Silver) and Aangvi (Bronze). Under-14 Foil: Ridhma (Gold), Khushi (Silver), Sofia (1st Bronze) and Swati (2nd Bronze). Under-17 Sabre: Prachi (Gold), Sahira (Silver) and Tanvi (Bronze). Under-17 Foil: Ashvi (Gold) and Ramsha (Silver). Under-14 Epee: Samiya (Gold), Mansi (Silver), Iqura (1st Bronze) and Sheroza (2nd Bronze). Under-14 Sabre: Kritika (Gold), Smriti (Silver) and Adity (Bronze). Under-19 Epee: Tabassum Anjum (Gold) and Jyoti Devi (Silver).