# Kathua girls emerge victorious in Dr Karan Singh honours Mohsin Ali, **U19 Kho-Kho Tournament**

**STATE TIMES NEWS** 

KATHUA: The District Division Level Kho-Kho Tournament for U19 Girls concluded successfully today at Kathua, showcasing the sporting talent of young athletes from the region. The event was Department of Youth Services and Sports, Kathua, as part of its annual activity calendar.

The semifinals witnessed exciting contests. In the first semifinal, District Doda defeated District Rajouri by 8 points, securing a place in the final. The second semifinal saw District Kathua face District Reasi. Kathua dominated the match, defeating



DYSSO Kathua, Sunil Singh Sambyal presenting winner's trophy to District Kathua.

points to book their spot in the championship clash.

The final proved to be a thrilling display of skill and teamwork. District Kathua once again demonstrated Reasi by an inning and 7 remarkable performance, their resounding victory.

defeating District Doda by an inning and 7 points to clinch the championship title. The team's agility, coordination, and strategic play were key factors in

At the conclusion of the tournament, District Youth Services and Sports Officer. Kathua, Sunil Singh Sambyal, presented the winner's trophy to District Kathua and the runner-up

trophy to District Doda. He lauded the participants for their sportsmanship, dedication, and commitment, encouraging them to continue pursuing excellence in

The Department also announced that the U14 Girls Kho-Kho competition will commence from tomorrow at the same venue, promising another round of competitive and exciting matches.

The successful conduct of the U19 tournament highlights the Department's efforts to promote youth participation in sports, nurture talent at the grassroots level, and encourage healthy competition among young athletes in the region.

Coach Bilquis Mir for Khelo India Gold

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Former Sadr-i-Riyasat and eminent statesman, Dr. Karan Singh, felicitated young athlete Mohsin Ali and his coach and Paris Olympics Jury Member, Bilquis Mir, for securing a gold medal at the Khelo India Water Sports event held in Srinagar this August.

The felicitation ceremony was also attended by Martand Singh, Trustee of the Hari Tara Charitable Trust and grandson of Dr. Karan Singh.

Dr. Karan Singh congratulated Mohsin on his outstanding performance, particularly against strong contenders from Madhya Pradesh and Punjab.

He also commended Bilquis Mir for her dedicated coachMohsin Ali and his coach Bilquis Mir. athletes to continue pursuing

Former Sadr-i-Riyasat, Dr. Karan Singh felicitating athlete

ing and long-standing commitment to nurturing Mohsin's talent. Bilquis expressed her grati-

tude to Dr. Karan Singh and Martand Singh for this honour and conveyed her hope that this recognition would inspire Mohsin and other their dreams.

shared insights into the development of sports in Jammu & Kashmir under the Prime Minister's Khelo India Scheme, along with other related initiatives.

## **Karate Belt Award ceremony** held at Nagrota



Karate players with officials at belt award ceremony.

#### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Remei Gojuryu Karate Do Federation of India (RGKFI) on Tuesday organised Belt award ceremony for the trainees at Dilskhush Usman Darbar,

Army Camp, Nagrota, here. Earlier, the belt grading examination was conducted by the Federation under the supervision of chief instructor, Sanjeev Dewan.

Young Karate trainees awarded the belts included Arpita Singh, Divyansh Singh, Aaradhya, Pranjal, Kartik Verma, Ghosh, Suresha Pivasa Nirmal, Vivan Roy, Sajel, Dhiyan, Pranav Y, Anuj Singh, Yavanika, Navya Singh, Aavya, Shivani AR, Heera, Sanika. Sudershan, Jagan Nath

Varmanya, Shivansh. Bhaabya Babuta, Krishana Babuta.

In the award ceremony, Mrs Deepika was special guest, who encouraged the trainees and complimented them for the belt promotion. She also lauded the role of coach, Sanjeev Dewan and support staff including Nirmal Kirn, Vinay and

# **GGM Science College shines at Tournament** Convoquer 2025 held at IIT Jammu

#### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: GGM Science College, Jammu once again brought laurels to the institution by showcasing remarkable performances at the Tournament Convoquer 2025 held at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Jammu from 2nd to 6th October 2025.

The tournament witnessed participation from various reputed institutions across the region, with students competing in multiple sports disciplines.

The Women's Chess Team from GGM Science College displayed outstanding strategic skills and team coordination throughout the event. The team comprising Merryleen Kour, Manvi Sharma, Sakshi Verma, and Neelakshi Rana secured the Silver Medal,



Principal GGM Science College, Prof. (Dr.) Romesh Kumar Gupta felicitating winner students.

prowess and commendable teamwork against tough com-

In the field of Athletics, the college athletes delivered stellar performances across multiple events. Adil Ali Zakir won the Silver Medal in Javelin Throw, showcasing his

strength and precision. Taruvar Sharma clinched the bronze medal in Shot Put, while Suraj Kumar displayed tremendous endurance and determination to bag the silver

medal in the 5 km Race. The Principal of GGM Science College, Prof. (Dr.)

Romesh Kumar Gupta, congratulated the winning teams and individual medalists for their dedication, hard work, and sportsmanship. He appreciated their efforts in upholding the sporting spirit and bringing glory to the college at

Dr. Rahul Kait, Convener, Sports Committee, expressed immense pride in the achievements of the students. He highlighted that such events not only promote physical fitness but also foster discipline, perseverance, and teamwork among students. He further acknowledged the support of the college administration and faculty in motivating students to excel in both academics and

The success of GGM Science College at the Tournament Convoquer 2025 reflects the institution's ongoing commitment to nurturing holistic development among its students. The college continues to encourage active participation in sports, cultural, and academic arenas, reaffirming its reputation as a center of excel-

# SMVDU sports teams deliver scintillating performance at Inter-institution Sports Festival

### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

KATRA: Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU) proved its sporting excellence by delivering a commendable performance at the Inter-Institution Sports Festival organized by IIT Jammu from 2nd to 5th October 2025.

SMVDU participated in eight disciplines-Cricket, Volleyball. Basketball. Chess, Badminton, Table Tennis, E-Sports, and Athletics.

first position in Badminton (Men) and Table Tennis (Men), second position in Cricket (Men), and third position in Basketball and Volleyball.



SMVDU players after winning trophy.

A special mention goes to the Athletics Team, which delivered an exceptional performance by winning 7 gold medals, 4 silver and 6 bronze marking one of the finest achievements for SMVDU in inter- institution competitions.

The women athletics team secured first position and the best woman athlete title was also clinched by SMVDU. The teams participated

under the supervision of Coaches Sports Managers -Balbir Singh, Sharma, Sudershan Sharma. Dr. Parvez Singh Slathia, Incharge, Sports, congratulated all the winners and appreciated their dedication and hard work. He extended his best wishes to all the athletes for their future competi-

Prof. Pragati Kumar, Vice Chancellor SMVDII also congratulated the winning teams and commended them for bringing laurels to the University through their consistent efforts

### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Department of Youth Services and Sports (DYSS) organised annual inter-district (all age group) UT level boys swimming meet for boys at IDPS Chowadi, here today.

The competition held under the expert supervision of DYSS officials, including Rajesh Sambyal, Gurpreet Singh, Vijinderpal Kour, Anil Shan, Hardav Rajesh Bandral Gurbachar Singh Harpreet Bhalla

The Results: Under-14 years: 100 mts free style: Pyaghay, Jammu, Ist; Mehdi, Srinagar, 2nd

Directorate of Sports and

Physical Education, whose



**DYSS holds inter-district UT level** 

**Swimming meet** 

and Samarpartap, Jammu, 3rd. 100 mts back stroke: Pratvaksh, Jammu, 1st: Avansh, Budgam, 2nd and Mohd Hafid, Budgam, 3rd.

Rajvardhan Singh, Jammu, 1st; Vivaan Yadav, Jammu, 2nd and Muntazir Ali. Srinagar, 3rd.

Butterfly: Musa, Jammu, 1st; Smarth Anand, Jammu, 2nd and Mroof Hussain, Srinagar, 3rd. 50 mts Breast Stroke: Muner Ali, Srinagar, 1st; Smarth Anand, Jammu, 2nd and Ibhranhim, Srinagar, 3rd. 50 mts Back Stroke: Abdul Ali, Srinagar, 1st; Barkat Ali, Srinagar, 2nd and Aariv Gupta, Jammu, 3rd. Under-19 years: 50 mts

Under-17 years: 50 mts

Butterfly: Kartikaye Choudhary, Jammu, 1st; Junaid Srinagar 2nd and Kounsar Ali, Srinagar, 3rd. 50 mts Back Stroke: Vikrant Singh, Jammu, 1st; Aashiq Hussain, Srinagar, 2nd and Kounsar Ali, Srinagar, 3rd.

# inaugurates Inter-Collegiate Kho-Kho (Men) Tournament 2025-26

### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: The Directorate of Physical Sports and Education, University of Jammu, today inaugurated the Inter-Collegiate Kho-Kho (Men) Tournament 2025-26 at the Kho-Kho Ground. University of Jammu. The tournament is designed to promote physical fitness, teamwork, resilience, and sportsmanship among students while providing a prestigious platform for the University's affiliated colleges to showcase their athletic talent and strategic skills.

The event emphasizes healthy competition, camaraderie, and mutual respect,



celebrating Kho-Kho as a culturally significant sport. The tournament encourages students to adopt an active lifestyle and fosters unity among participants through spirited contests and teamwork

#### exciting matches and a high level of competition, with teams displaying remarkable skill, strategy, and determina-

The inaugural day witnessed

Highlights from Day One included GDC Paloura defeating GDC Reasi by 2 points, GDC Doda beating Dogra Degree College by 14 points,

GDC Doda defeating UIET

team ensured the smooth conduct of the event with a focus on discipline, fair play, and organizational excellence. The matches were officiated

by Anil Sharma, Ajay Gupta, Dheeraj Sharma, Palbinder Singh, Pooja Sharma, and Sh. Gagan Kumar, maintaining the highest standards of officiating and fairness.

The Inter-Collegiate Kho-Kho Tournament continues to serve as a vibrant platform for nurturing sporting talent, inspiring students to embrace sportsmanship, physical activity, and the spirit of healthy competition across the University of Jammu's

### Inter-Collegiate Cricket (Men) Tournament 2025-26 at JU GDC Marh secures six-wicket victory over Dogra Degree College

### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: The Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu is hosting the Inter-Collegiate Cricket (Men) Tournament 2025-26 at the University Cricket Ground. This annual event aims to foster sportsmanship, competitive spirit, and talent development among collegiate cricketers, providing a platform for young players to showcase their dedication, skills, and passion for the game. On a thrilling match day, GDC Marh secured a convincing six-wicket victory over Dogra Degree College. Batting first, Dogra Degree College was restricted to 113 runs in 15 overs, with the bowling attack of GDC Marh keeping the opposition under control. In response, GDC Marh successfully chased the target, scoring 114 runs for the loss of four wickets in 13.1 overs. Atinder led the batting performance with 48 runs, supported by Baljeet contributing 23 runs. For Dogra Degree

College, Mayank and Ansu claimed one wicket each, making for a competitive contest. The tournament is being conducted under the overall supervision of Dr. Daud Iqbal Baba, Director, Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, who emphasized fair play, discipline, and the promotion of cricketing excellence among students. The technical panel for officiating the matches included Ashok Singh, Vijay Raina, Danish Singh, Manu, Raj Kumar Bakshi, and Anirudh Singh, whose professional expertise ensured that all games were conducted in strict adherence to the rules of the sport, maintaining fairness and integrity throughout the competition. The ongoing Inter-Collegiate Cricket Tournament continues to witness spirited performances from teams across the University's affiliated colleges, reflecting the growing popularity of cricket at the collegiate level and inspiring students to pursue excel-

lence in sports alongside academics.

# Fencing trials on Oct 12,13

### STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The J&K Fencing Association (JKFA) has announced the conduct of selection trials for the 27th Sub-Junior National Fencing Championship (Boys & Girls) 2025-2026, scheduled to be held from 3rd to 8th November 2025 at Imphal, Manipur. The trials will take place on 12th and 13th October 2025 at the Indoor Fencing Hall, M.A. Stadium, Jammu, to select the J&K fencing team for the prestigious national event. Eligibility for participation is open to all fencers born on or after 1st January 2012. Participants are required to bring a copy of their Date of Birth certificate and a copy of their Aadhaar card for verification at the time of the trials. The JKFA has invited all aspiring young fencers from the Union Territory to take part and showcase their talent on this competitive platform. Interested candidates seeking further information can contact the association at 7006374481 or 9622050010. The Sub-Junior National Fencing Championship offers a valuable opportunity for young athletes to gain national-level exposure, enhance their skills, and represent J&K at one of the country's premier fencing events. The JKFA emphasized strict adherence to rules and timely reporting to ensure a smooth and fair selection process.

# Ravi Kumar

### STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Ravi Kumar, son of Madan Lal and Veena Devi, resident of Pantal, Tehsil Hiranagar.



District Kathua, has been declared qualified for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Mathematics by University Jammu. He worked on the topic "Operators on Some Sequence Spaces on Rooted Trees" under the supervision of Prof. Ajay Kumar Sharma

#### PG Deptt JU cinches Inter-Collegiate Hockey (Men) Tournament 2025-26 title qualifies Ph.D **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: The final match of the Inter-Collegiate Hockey (Men) Tournament 2025-26 was organised by the Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu at K.K. Hakku Stadium, Jammu.

R.S. Pura overcoming GDC

The matches were marked

by energy, focus, and strong

sportsmanship, reflecting the

growing popularity of Kho-

The tournament is conduct-

ed under the supervision of Dr.

Daud Iqbal Baba, Director,

Paloura by 1 point.

Kho among students.

The final match was played between the teams of PG Department, University of Jammu and GDC Kathua in which PG. Deptt JU.

JU team beat GDC Kathua by 06-03 goals. The match remained  $0\overline{3}$ -03 draw



during the stipulated time and decided through penalty the stipulated time. During

shootout For PG. Deptt. JU team

Yogeshwar Rudar Scored 03 penalty shootout Sukchinder field goals on 10th, 35th & 45th minute of the match in

Singh, Yogeshwar Rudar & Sahil Kumar scored the goal for the PG. Deptt. JU team.

Dr. Daud Iqbal Baba, Director, Directorate of and Physical Sports Education, University of Jammu was the chief Guest of the final match who awarded medals & trophy to the winning teams/players in the presence of Prof. Shivani Kotwal, Ravish Vaid, Vikas Karlopia, Dr. Mahak, Harinderpal Ravinder Singh and Rishiv Sharma.

The match was officiated by Karanjit Singh, Koushal Sharma, Harvinder Singh, and S.P.D. Singh.