

# J&K contemplating comprehensive sports policy in conformity with national document: Advisor Khan

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JAMMU: Advisor to Lieutenant Governor, Farooq Khan, on Tuesday chaired a meeting of members of Jammu and Kashmir Sports Associations to discuss roadmap for development of potential games and sports infrastructure in the Union Territory besides highlighting role of sports associations in this regard.

Principal Secretary, Youth Services and Sports Department (YSS), Alok Kumar besides other concerned officers attended the meeting.

Addressing the meeting, Advisor said the main objective of this exclusive interaction with sports associations was to chalk out and discuss action plan for further streamlining of sports infrastructure in Jammu and Kashmir. 'Our only motive is to facilitate players of different games with basic and standard facilities enabling them bring laurels for JKUT at national as well as inter-



Advisor, Farooq Khan chairing a meeting with various sports associations' members at Jammu.

national level', he asserted.

Advisor highlighted the significant role being played by sports associations in nurturing and sharpening up sports talent among the budding players. He stressed upon the representatives of different Associations to expand their areas of activities to rural areas by conducting talent hunt camps to find out natural sports skills among youth. He said that Associations should go for conducting national level events in the UT which would immensely facilitate promotion of J&K as an

ideal destination for holding game events adding that enhanced sports infrastructure has been developed here over the last couple of years.

Advisor Farooq Khan underlined the need for registration of all the potential sports associations with Sports Council as per guidelines so that financial assistance by the government could reach to genuine sports persons. He exhorted upon the Associations, who have not conducted their elections and other mandatory requirements, should act promptly so that they are

given requisite funds and their schedule of activities do not suffer because of lack of financial needs.

During the interactive sessions, Principal Secretary expressed optimism that today's meeting will go a long way in further strengthening coordination between the government, sports council and the sports associations for enhanced outcome. The government is committed to provide every possible help to the associations for promotion of sports culture and infrastructure as well in the UT', he main-

tained.

Earlier, various sports associations highlighted their issues and demands regarding availability of coaches, playgrounds, tennis courts, medical facilities, physiotherapists, transportation, boarding and lodging, hostel facilities for trainee players, annual fitness test of coaches, sports scholarship for outstanding players and related issues and concerns.

Responding to issues raised by associations, Advisor Khan assured that all their genuine demands

would be examined for an early redressal.

He said that Jammu and Kashmir would soon be coming up with a comprehensive sports policy which will be in conformity with the national sports policy which will address the long pending demands and requirements of all the sports persons. Besides, general body of Sports Council will soon be reconstituted which will include non official members of International repute to provide further impetus to sports culture in the Union Territory.

The representatives of Associations thanked Advisor Khan for providing an opportunity to them to raise their issues and concerns besides making suggestions.

Among others present in the meeting were Secretary Sports Council J&K, Nazhat Gul besides Presidents, General Secretaries of nearly 40 Sports Association of Jammu and Kashmir.

## U-19 Friendship Cup Aarav slams cracking ton as TCA drubs UCA 89 runs



TCA player's posing for a group photograph after defeating UCA at Gharota in Jammu.

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JAMMU: Promising opening batsman Aarav Mahajan slammed a cracking century (132) to help Tawi Cricket Academy (TCA) thrash Udhampur Cricket Academy (UCA) by a huge margin of 89 runs in the ongoing Under-19 Boys Friendship Cup being organised at Country Cricket Academy, Gharota, here on Tuesday.

In reply, UCA was bundled out for 115 runs in 28 overs. Royal, Shivam and Bhavishya contributed 19, 14 and 12 runs respectively. Kartik was the pick of the bowlers, who took 5 important wickets, while Aarav and Ranbir claimed 2 wickets each. Aarav Mahajan was declared the Man of the Match for his brilliant century.

Earlier, winning the toss and batting first, TCA sailed on Aarav's brilliance and scored a good total of 204 runs in 34 overs, losing all their wickets in the process. Aarav Mahajan sent the rival bowlers on a

## Sports Council beats University Blues in Inter-departmental Tournament

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SRINAGAR: In the ongoing inter-departmental tournament organised by University of Kashmir, the J&K Sports Council defeated University Blues by 47 runs on Tuesday.

Riding on the swash-buckling performance of Abid Nabi who hit unbeaten 124, Sports Council piled up 188 for the loss of 1 wicket in allotted 20 overs.

In reply University Blues scored 141 for the loss of 9 wickets. Tariq and Faisal bagged 3 wickets each and helped Sports Council to reach



Participating team posing for a photograph.

the second stage of the tournament.

Congratulating the team, Secretary J&K

Sports Council hoped that the team would give their best performance in the matches to follow.

## JK Public School Kunjwani honours Class-IV employees

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JAMMU: JK Public School Kunjwani has always believed in instilling values in their students so that they become morally sound individuals.

In league with this principle, a new initiative has been started by the school as it is felt that moral values have taken a back seat, so a beacon light is required to guide the citizens of tomorrow.

In today's world, where good values like benevolence and charity are disappearing, schools need to sensitize students towards these finer qualities as these will make them good human beings.



JKPS Kunjwani faculty and students posing for a photograph with class-IV employees.

Keeping this in mind, the magnanimous management of JK Public School Kunjwani provided gifts for

those who work day and night to make the institute run smoothly.

Head Boy, Ayush and

Head Girl, Prableen Kour distributed the gifts to Class IV employees appreciating their hard work and dedica-

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