

48th Junior National Volleyball Championship

Haryana Boys, Rajasthan Girls declared champions; J&K Boys secure bronze medal



Patron-in-Chief VAJK, Raj Daluja presenting bouquet to the Chief Guest, Jugal Kishore Sharma, Member of Parliament Lok Sabha, President VAJK, Sidharth Daluja presenting bouquet to VFI official and winner teams receiving trophies of 48th Junior National Volleyball Championship at MA Stadium, Jammu.

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JAMMU: For the first time in the history of J&K Volleyball, host J&K Boys won bronze medal in 48th Junior National Volleyball Championship organized by Volleyball Association of J&K in collaboration with J&K Sports Council under the aegis of Volleyball Federation of India at MS

Stadium, here on Saturday. Earlier, Haryana won the boys title by defeating Rajasthan 3-0 Sets. In the keenly contested matches the players, some of them international, showed their excellent skills, latest techniques of the game. In bronze medal match, J&K team defeated Tamil Nadu. The host J&K boys team

Captain Mannat Choudhary, who is an international volleyball player, exhibited his skills magnificently while Haroon and Musharaf too followed Mannat's footprints in the game. The historical victory of J&K Boys volleyball team earned laurels from all dignitaries present on the Dias as well as volleyball lovers.

In girls section, Rajasthan outplayed West Bengal in the final and won championship trophy. The bronze medal match was won by Tamil Nadu.

In the closing ceremony, Member of Parliament Lok Sabha, Jugal Kishore Sharma was the Chief Guest, who appreciated the organizers and stakeholders for conducting the championship efficiently taking care of all aspects of Boarding/Lodging for over 1000 players and officials.

The Chief Guest praised

all office bearers of Volleyball Association of J&K/Special Organizing Committee for their whole-hearted contribution in promoting sports culture in

general and volleyball in particular in J&K UT. Jugal also distributed prizes/trophies and medals to the winner and runner-up teams.

Vasudevan Vice-President Volleyball Federation of India, Raj Kumar Executive Vice-President, Ramavtar Singh CEO Volleyball Federation of India, Anil Choudhary Secretary General Volleyball Federation of India, Sunil Kumar Tiwari, Treasurer Volleyball Federation of India, Vijaypal Singh Chairman Control Committee, Vice-President Volleyball Federation of India, Nuzhat Gul, Secretary J&K Sports Council also graced the Dias. The Chief Guest was hon-

oured by presenting a memento by Raj Daluja, Working President and Kuldip Magotra Organizing Secretary Special Organizing Committee.

The officials engaged in the

championship were also hon-

oured with mementoes by

office bearers of Volleyball Federation of India.

JKPS Kunjwani shines in Sahodaya Inter-School Roller Skating competition



JKPS Kunjwani faculty felicitating winner students.

gold medals), Neelesh (one bronze medal) and Shivika Gupta (two gold medals).

Shashi Chaudhary, Director

JK Public School and Principal Rajesh Rathore felicitated the winners in the

morning assembly on Saturday.

Speaking on the occasion, Principal said that champions are made from something they have deep inside them - a desire, a dream and a vision. No doubt, the budding skaters have showcased an energetic and enthusiastic performance and we congratulate them for their outstanding achievement and wish them good luck for the future endeavour.

On this special occasion,

Varun Anand, Coach of the School and Subash Chander, HOD (Sports) was also applauded for preparing the students for this competition.

Senior Leader and Chandigarh Prabhari Surinder Bhagat wished the tournament all success and pledged full support to the seven-day tourney. President Malhotra Cricket Club, Jammu also encouraged the players.

Ajay Sharma Mandal President Bajalta, BJP leader Onkar Singh, Bishan Singh and Sunny Sharma were also present.



Himanshu Angotra of B.A. Sem-II (GDC Akhnoor), who secured first position in photography under Display Your Talent competition organized by Dean students Welfare University of Jammu felicitating by faculty members.

KCPS Girls win medals at Khelo India Zonal Junior Women's Swimming series



Medal winners posing with faculty members.

JAMMU: Khelo India Junior Women's Swimming Series Zonal Competition was held at Sai Sports Complex, Lucknow from November 12 to 14, 2022. Two girls from KC Public School, namely, Xena Bandhu and Vanshika Gosain and Melisa Singh from Presentation Convent represented the Union Territory of J&K in this contest.

Xena won the first position in 50M kick-and-pull Free-

Style event and Vanshika bagged a bronze medal in 50M kick-and-pull Breast Stroke event. Both of them were also awarded position badges and merit certificates.

School Chairman Raju Chowdhary, Managing Director Arti Chowdhary, Vice Chairman Arjun Chowdhary and Principal AK Mishra congratulated Xena and Vanshika for their excellent performance and wished them success at the national level competition.

Earlier, put into bat, Odisha scored a good total of 268 runs in the stipulated 50 overs, losing 6 wickets in the process. Skipper Abhishek Raut top scored with 75 runs off 99 balls, studded with 8 fours and 3 sixes, while Rakesh Pattanaik contributed power-packed 53 runs off 31 balls, including 8

fours and 2 sixes.

For J&K, Yudhvir Singh took 3 wickets, while Mujtaba Yousuf bagged 2 wickets, however, Abid Mushtaq was the pick of the bowlers who though remained wicketless but conceded just 25 runs in his 10 overs.

In reply, J&K chased the target in 48.5 overs by losing 7 wickets, thus won the

match by 3 wickets. Shubham Khajuria top scored with 78 runs off 77 balls including 9 boundaries and 1 six, while Shubham Pundir contributed 57 runs off 61 balls including 6 fours. Sahil Lotra, Vivrant Sharma and Henan Nazir contributed 40, 26 and 25 runs respectively.

To the total respectively.

For Odisha, Tarani Sa cap-

tured 3 wickets by conceding

Make sports part of daily routine for achieving healthy body & mind: Yudhvir



J&K BJP Vice President, Yudhvir Sethi posing with teams and other dignitaries.

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JAMMU: J&K BJP Vice President, Yudhvir Sethi on Saturday inaugurated the Inter-district invitational cricket tournament for all districts being organised by the Malhotra Cricket Club (MCC), J&K at Forest Cricket Ground Stadium, Sidhra here. A total of sixteen teams from Jammu & Kashmir are taking part in the seven-

day tournament.

Speaking on the occasion, Yudhvir Sethi asserted that youth by remaining involved in games get saved from the menace of drug abuse besides developing their overall personality both physically and mentally.

He appealed to the youth to make sports part of their daily routine for achieving a healthy body and mind.

Vijay Hazare Trophy

Shubham duo power J&K to crucial victory over Odisha



J&K team celebrating win over Odisha.

35 runs in his 9 overs, while Abhishek Raut bagged 2 wickets.

The Sub Committee Members of JKCA including Brig Anil Gupta, Member Administration; Advocate Sunil Sethi, Member Legal Affairs and Cricketer Mithun Manhas, Member Cricket Operations and Development JKCA congratulated the team for this splendid victory. The team is being accompanied by former International cricketer Ajay Sharma as coach, Rajan Singh and Sandeep Singh as Manager and Co-Manager respectively, Tannay Srivastava as Fielding Coach, Sunny Kumar as Trainer, Danish Idrees as Performance Analyst, Jatinder Gupta as Physio and Naresh as Masseur.