

Closing ceremony of 67th National School Games

India now seen as new powerhouse of champions: LG

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JAMMU: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Friday said the achievements of Indian athletes in the recently concluded Asian Games, Asian Para Games and Asian Para Archery Games is a testimony to new sports culture under the guidance of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and India is now seen as the new powerhouse of champions.

The Lieutenant Governor was speaking at the closing ceremony of 67th National Schools Games in Judo Under-14 Boys and Girls and Fencing Under-19 Boys and Girls, after inaugurating the Synthetic Athletic track at University of Jammu.

He congratulated the budding sporting talents for their remarkable performance in various sporting disciplines.

National School Games provide the launching platform for young sporting talents. From this platform a new journey begins for all of you, which will pave the way for many opportunities as well as excellence in international sporting events, the Lt



Lt Governor Manoj Sinha inaugurating Synthetic Athletic track at Jammu University on Friday.

Governor said.

"Those who wish to win never quit, that is the mantra of success. The talents of many legendary icons of sports were spotted first in school games. They were provided with right training and mentoring to harness their potential and to achieve greater heights of success," he said.

The Lt Governor encouraged the young players to work hard to trans-

form their inherent talent and set new goals every day to fulfill the destiny for which they were born.

Every player is unique, he or she has some talents that no one else has. They just need to recognize the uniqueness and take it to the pinnacle of success, he said.

Goals define you as an athlete, your motivation, confidence and proper training are your biggest

allies in achieving those goals. Today the adequate sports infrastructure, modern training and facilities shows that the nation is giving due importance to sports and availability of these three significant elements has proved to be the foundation of building a new India in the sporting arena, the Lt Governor said.

At the closing ceremony, the Lt Governor shared the efforts of the UT Administration to popularize a robust sports culture in Jammu Kashmir.

He said the new sports policy, world-class facilities and mentoring of sportspersons have created a conducive environment to excel and bring laurels to the UT and the nation in international tournaments. Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar, Advisor to the Lieutenant Governor; Dr Arun Kumar Mehta, Chief Secretary; Sarmad Hafeez, Secretary Youth Services and Sports, senior officials, officers bearers of School Games Federation of India, eminent sports personalities, coaches and youth in large number were present.

Cooch Behar Trophy J&K 19/2 against UP's 324 runs in first innings

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JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir were 19/2 in reply to Uttar Pradesh's 324 in their first innings at stumps on day-1 of the ongoing Under-19 boys Cooch Behar Trophy at JKCA Hostel Ground, here on Friday.

Opening batter Kamaksh Sharma was at the crease on 6 runs, while night watchman Nashant Kumar was unbeaten on brisk 12 runs off 8 balls, studded with 3 boundaries.

Hitesh Kumar and Yasir Khan were the wicket takers from Uttar Pradesh.

Earlier, put into bat, Uttar Pradesh rode on brilliant half-centuries by

the trio of Aarush Goyal, Yash Pradhan and Bhavy Goyal to score a good total of 324 runs in their first innings. Aarush scored 82 off 93 balls, studded with 9 fours and 3 sixes, while Yash contributed 75 off 83 balls with 11 boundaries and one six and Bhavy Goyal scored superb 57 runs. The batting trio showed stellar grit and tenacity to notch up their individual fifties and displayed sublimity, solidity and elegance during their knocks. Aditya Kumar Singh (33) and Shubham (30) were the other contributors.

For J&K, medium pacer Mudhasir Abdullah was

the pick of the bowlers, who captured 3 important wickets by giving away 52 runs in his 16 overs, while Bismadh Singh and Dhruv Sharma took 2 wickets each. Nashant Kumar, Mousab Mohd Bhat and Achintya Raj Khajuria claimed one wicket each.

Meanwhile, JKCA has made all the arrangements with regard to hosting a good number of matches in Jammu this season.

"All the arrangements have been put in place for holding the matches in Jammu in a most befitting manner," said Brig Anil Gupta, Member-Administration JKCA.

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ANANTNAG: The Indian Reserve Police (IRP) 11th Battalion honoured our martyred heroes by hosting the Police Martyrs Memorial Volleyball Tournament at the District Police Lines (DPL) in Anantnag.

The tournament, featuring four local and four police teams, kicked off with a inaugural ceremony graced by the Commanding Officer (CO) of the Battalion, Sandeep Mehta, SSP.

Eight teams including the local sports clubs viz. Harnag Club, Spartan Anantnag, Bittu Army Anantnag, Bijbehra Club and one from District Police Anantnag and rest three

CO IRP 11th Bn inaugurates Police Martyrs Memorial Volleyball Tournament



CO IRP-11th Battalion, Sandeep Mehta, SSP posing with volleyball teams and other officials.

from IRP 11th Bn Anantnag are participating in the event.

A galaxy of eminent personalities, including A.R Ahanger, sports person; Abdul Ahad Shah (Vice-President Volleyball Association of J&K), civilians and police officers/officials including the family

AAJK congratulates Sheetal, Rakesh for outstanding performance in Asian Archery C'ship

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JAMMU: Archery Association of J&K (AAJK) congratulated its players Sheetal and Rakesh for their outstanding performance in Asian Archery Championship held at Bangkok (Thailand).

Both have made our country/state proud by winning six Medals (five Gold and one silver) in international event.

Archery Association of J&K in support with Jammu and Kashmir Sports Council is at forefront in motivating these para players by felicitating their trips to national and international level to get the national/international exposure.

In recently held state level championship both players and their Coach (Abhilasha Choudhary) were given a cash reward of Rs. 50000 each and Rs 25000 for their outstanding performance in Asian

games at China by AAJK. We will also take this occasion to congratulate Niteen Sharma of Jammu who won silver medal at recently held Junior National Championship at Bharatpur (Rajasthan). He is a budding player and will bring laurels to the state and country.

It is pertinent to mention here that AAJK organized an event on November 20, 2023 and in this occasion brand new uniforms were distributed to all players and coaches who have been selected for Sr. National Archery Championship to be held from November 24 to 30, 2023 at Ayodhya (UP).

On this occasion, office bearers of association including President/Sr Vice President and Gen Secretary wished best of luck to entire team of 21 members (19 players and two Coaches).

Udhampur Volleyball meet from Dec 2

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JAMMU: Volleyball Association of Udhampur shall hold district championship under the aegis of Volleyball Association of J&K (VAJK) at Rammagar from December 2. Being organised in support with J&K Sports Council, the event shall take place following the Volleyball Federation of India (VFI) rules. Interested clubs have been advised to send their entries before November 29 to Organising Secretary, Vinod Sharma (7889876171) and Amit Chander Singh (9596969007).

Ramban Volleyball meet from Dec 3

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RAMBAN: Volleyball Association of Ramban to hold district championship under the aegis of Volleyball Association of J&K (VAJK) in collaboration of J&K Sports Council at Ramban from December 3 to 4, 2023.

Interested clubs of the district have been asked to send their entries before November 29 to Irfan (7006426258) and Onkar Singh (9419107688).

KC Public School thrashes KC International in inter school cricket tournament

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JAMMU: KC Public School on Friday clinched victory over KC International School by a 84-run margin in the Inter School cricket tournament, dedicated to the memory of our revered founder chairman, Sudarshan Mahajan.

Opting to field first after winning the toss, KC International restricted KC Public School to 140 runs in the allotted 20 overs.

The turning point came as KC Public's bowlers orchestrated a remarkable turnaround, dismantling the opposition for a mere 56 runs. Captain Shaurya Manhas,



Winner KC Public School posing for a photograph with faculty members.

scoring 37 and claiming two wickets, spearheaded the charge, supported by Vanish Gupta, who scored a quick fire 35 runs off just 17 balls. Bowlers Achyut Verna, Arush Sharma, Navneer, Kamran, and Paras Safaya

contributed significantly, stifling the opposition with exemplary bowling. The team's stellar fielding prowess sealed the victory.

Chairman Raju Choudhary, Vice Chairman Arjun Choudhury, MD Arti

Choudhary, Principal A K Mishra, and Vice Principal Sanjay Pandey extended congratulations to the team and their coach Saish Gunjekar, former Ranji player, for their outstanding all-round performance.

Rollball camp for beginners from Nov 27

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JAMMU: Rollball Association of Jammu and Kashmir shall hold special preparatory training camp for the beginners at MA Stadium Skating Rink, Here from November 27.

Interested Rollball enthusiasts for the proposed camp have been advised to contact Madhu Sharma (9419148556) and Vishali Bagal (9086569018), a handout issued by the Association here on Friday informed. The camp is being held in collaboration of J&K Sports Council (JKSC).

Heritage School Jammu's health camp promotes student well-being



Students and faculty members with doctors at a medical camp.

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JAMMU: Heritage School Jammu organized a four-day Medical Health Camp from November 20 to 23, 2023.

Partnering with Digilooks Healthcare Private Limited, a 10-member medical team

conducted periodic health check-ups for students in Grades 2 to 9, totaling 1620 young minds.

The specialists not only offered free check-ups but also imparted valuable guidance on hygiene, sanitation, safe drinking water and

measures to avoid contagious diseases.

Each student, post-examination, received a personalized Health Card and a comprehensive report summarizing diagnosed issues with recommendations for further treatment if necessary.

J&K, Goa register wins in Nagesh Trophy

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JAMMU: Jammu & Kashmir defeated Punjab by 77 runs while Goa outplayed Railways by ten wickets in the ongoing 6th edition of Men's National T20 Cricket Tournament for the Blind 2023-24 also known as Nagesh Trophy on Friday.

In the first match, Goa restricted Railways on 134 in for the loss of eight wickets in the allotted 20 overs and chased the target in the 16th over without any loss to register a dominating win. Nilesh and Vinod shared an unbeaten 135-run partnership to seal the win. Nilesh from Goa was the Player of the Match.

In another, Jammu & Kashmir defeated Punjab following a sensational bowling display. Batting first, Jammu & Kashmir scored 164 runs for the loss of six wickets in the allotted 20 overs. In reply, Punjab was bundled out for 87 to register a win. Sahil was awarded the Player of the Match.

Earlier on Thursday, Jammu & Kashmir thrashed Railways by 82 runs while Goa defeated Punjab by 3 wickets.

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JAMMU: More than 30 Jodhamal Skaters outperformed their fellow-skaters in a keenly contested State Level Skating Tournament and excelled in the trials for National Roller Skating and Roller Hockey Tournaments.

They will be participating in 61st National Roller Skating and National Roller Hockey championships to be held at Chennai and Chandigarh from December 13 and 25, 2023.

The skating stalwarts from Jodhamal are: In Speed Skating: Ranveer Singh Shan, Yuvraj Singh, Pearl



Selected skaters posing with faculty members.

Suri, Advitya Sharma, Aahan Mahajan, Anandani Sharma, Tabish Hyder Chib, Ainoor Gohar Dar, Pavit Gupta, Mysha Koul and Aasim Abas Khan.

In Roller Hockey: Aahan

Sharma, Gurjas Singh, Shiva Gupta, Sharvani Mahajan, Aamya Vishist, Aayra Vishist, Bhavnoor Kour, Hazel Suri, Namish Gupta, Druv Sadhotra, Ayesha Chib, Akshita

Open J&K UT Masters Athletics Championship to start from Dec 6

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JAMMU: J&K UT Masters Athletics Association is going to conduct open J&K UT Masters Athletics Championship for men and women at MA Stadium from December 6 to 7, 2023.

All the interested athletes are asked to send their entries on or before December 6, 2023 with age proof documents and entry fee of Rs 500 per head.

The age category for men starts from 35+ to onwards and for women 30+ to onwards.

For further contacts, athletes can contact Abdul Qayoom (President) 6005357200, Tarsem Lal Basotra (General Secretary) 7889939965, Ram Pal Kapoor (Organising Secretary) 9419649809, Kanu Priya (Distt. President Jammu) 9419185503.

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JAMMU: Certificate Distribution function was organized in Conference Hall at Government Polytechnic Bikram Chowk, Jammu, under Continuing Education Program (IRG Scheme) in which large number of students along with all the Instructors and staff from Government Polytechnic Jammu participated.

The chief guest Er Arun Bangotra Principal/Chief Coordinator IRG Scheme of



Government Polytechnic Jammu distributed the certificates to the students.

While speaking on the occasion Er. Arun Bangotra enlightened the students about the benefits of the various skill oriented courses and stress

upon the students to take maximum benefit of these scheme to earn their livelihood. He wished the students good luck for their future endeavours.

The main objective of the IRG scheme is to provide job oriented skills to the students

and motivate them to use their acquired skills and take a step towards entrepreneurship.

Er. Sukhdeep Singh Coordinator IRG scheme emphasized upon the relevance of the IRG scheme and the various courses being conduct-

and extracurricular activities.

The meeting was also attended by Registrar, Dr Jatinder Khajuria, Sushil Khajuria, Additional Secretary HED, Coordinators of various Faculties, Principals of Constituent Colleges, Prof Prakash C Antahal DSW JU, Rakesh Sharma, HOD Fine Arts IMFA, Satyan Shree Gupta Chief Accounts officer CLUJ, Prof Savita Jamwal, Chairperson, Cultural Campus Committee and Associate Deans were among the special invitees.

Govt Polytechnic Jammu organises certificates distribution function

ed under the scheme like Computer Operator, Computer Applications, Stenography, Fashion Designing, Accounting and Tally.

Others present on the occasion were Er. Rani Devi HoD IT, Er. Sakshi Kapahi Asstt Coordinator IRG, Ar. Manu Rajput Architecture Assistantship and Sanjogita Mehra, Vinay Kumar, Ved Paul, Surekha Rani, Kanta Baloria and Ritu Manhas, the instructors of the IRG scheme.