

Div Com felicitates Archers of UT meet

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: Divisional Commissioner Jammu, Ramesh Kumar felicitated the medal winners of the three-day J&K UT Archery Championship which was organised by Archery Association of J&K at Green Playfields, here on Tuesday.

The chief guest, Ramesh Kumar along with guest of honour, Divisional Sports Officer of J&K Sports Council, Baljinder Singh also honoured para medal winner archers in Asian Games, Sheetal Devi and Rakesh Kumar as also the coach, Abhilasha Choudhary on behalf of the Association.



Div Com Jammu, Ramesh Kumar felicitating medal winners of J&K UT Archery Championship at Jammu on Tuesday.

Among those prominent present were Arun Sharma, Ramnik Sharma, Ajay Choudhary, Subash, Ajad, Rashid, Rakesh Sharma and Varinder Kesar as also Vikram Thakur, Rajeev Sharma, Sunil Sharma, Anil Sharma, Sat

Pal Singh, Satish Gupta, SP Singh, Dalvir Mehta, Inderpal, Suraj Bhan Singh and Reena Thakur.

The Medal Winners:
MEN: Gold: Rakesh Kumar, Naksham Singh, Vinod Singh, Parnav, Vishal, Jaivardhan Singh,

Krishna, Vinod, Bhrgu, Vinod, Niteen, Akash, Rakesh Kumar and Naksham Singh. Silver: Akash, Abhinav, Hritik Sharma, Pariv Khajuria, Bhawani, Manpreet, askash, Bhawani, Abhinav, Pranav, Hritik Sharma,

Pariv Khajuria and Omkara. Bronze: Bhawani, Vinod, Bhawani, Pranav, Arshit, Balram, Diviansh, Danish, Krishna, Bhawani, Rishit, Amit Thakur, Salman Khan, Taksh, Omkara, Amit Thakur, Taksh and Omkara

WOMEN: Gold: Sheetal, Usha, Kajal Verma, Bhavya, Usha Devi, Manju Radhika, Sheetal, Kajal Verma and Many. Silver: Sunaina, Shivani, Simi Sharma, Arti Devi, Kajal Verma, Many, Bhavya, Sovendana, Simi and Bhavya. Bronze: Usha Devi, Rita Devi, Smriti, Deepa, Anu, Anjali, Anamika, Shikha, Kajal Verma, Rita Devi, Many, Antrya, Deepa and Anjali.

Inter-collegiate volleyball (men) tournament gets underway

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: Government Degree College (GDC) Ramban, GDC Pouni, GDC Kunjwani, GDC Hiranagar and Government College of Engineering & Technology (GCET) Jammu registered wins on the second day of the Inter-Collegiate Volleyball (Men) Tournament, organised by the Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu (JU) at the University Volleyball Ground on Tuesday.

Today's matches were officiated by Amit Sharma, Mulkh Raj, Anil Sapolia, Buneet Singh, Manu Singh



A volleyball match in progress at JU.

Pawar and Vikas Karlopia. Today's results: GDC Ramban beat BDC Udhampur by 2-1 (20-25, 25-15, 25-7); GCET Jammu beat MBS College by 2-0 (25-21, 25-21); GDC Pouni beat GDC IMS by 2-0 (25-11, 25-09); GDC Kunjwani beat GDC Ukhral by 2-0 (25-17, 26-24); and GDC Hiranagar beat GDC Nowshera by 2-0 (25-15, 25-20).

INTACH Jammu Chapter holds art workshop at KC Public School



Dignitaries lighting ceremonial lamp at KCPS.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: The Jammu Chapter of INTACH (Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage) organised an interactive workshop named 'Discover Your Living Heritage' in the activity hall of KCPS on Tuesday. The workshop was attended by a large number of enthusiastic students of the school.

The distinguished members of INTACH Jammu Chapter, namely, Chief Guest Arvind Kotwal, JKAS (Retd), SM Sahni, JKAS (Retd), Convener, INTAC Jammu Chapter, Kripal Singh, Parola Art Expert (Former Art Curator, Dogra

Art Museum, and Shivani Khajuria, Miniature Painting Expert, were present on the occasion. Principal AK Mishra was present as the Guest of Honour.

The workshop commenced with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp followed by an extremely erudite speech on Parola painting style of J&K by Kripal Singh, in which he brought forth salient features of the heritage of Jammu and Kashmir, especially in variegated art forms such as miniature painting tradition of the Basohli School of Pahari Art. He underscored the need

for and relevance of not only discovering the art heritage of J&K but also to sustain it by imbibing and putting into practice the entire range of its special techniques, forms and unique features.

Shivani Khajuria conducted the workshop for students by illustrating the styles of painting traditionally practised in Jammu and Kashmir. She used a large white board to draw a sample of the Basohli school of miniature painting and punctuated it with comments on the special features of this school.

The workshop concluded with presentation of mementos to all the INTACH members present. In his thanks giving speech, Principal AK Mishra expressed his gratitude to the Jammu Chapter of the INTACH for conducting such a valuable art workshop for the students for KCPS and hoped that similar workshops would become a regular feature of the interaction between INTACH and KC Public School.

Student's cabinet installed at MV International School

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: MV International School organised Investiture Ceremony 2023-24 to bestow upon its students, the ability to be future leaders, where thirty students were inducted into the student's cabinet for the session.

Chief Guest, Ashok Kumar Sharma, Director School Education Jammu shared his blessings with the students and team of MV International School.

Kewal Krishan, Chief Education Officer Samba graced the occasion as Special Guest. Chairman Hira Lal Abrol, Vice Chairperson Savita Abrol, School Director Gourav Abrol, parents of students attended the program along with staff and students of the school.

The school auditorium buzzed with enthusiasm and pride. The guests and the school management conferred the badges and sashes to the cabinet members, enabling the young shoulders to wield responsibilities.

Anikat Singh Charak



MVIS student's cabinet posing with faculty members and other dignitaries.

(12C) and Aadity Singh Slatthia (12A), led the Cabinet Working Committee as Head Boy and Head Girl respectively. Both of them in their speeches affirmed their mission and pledged to keep the flag of the school flying high.

Prefect members of the cabinet are: Vice Head Boy - Bhanu Pratap Singh (11C) and Vice Head Girl- Himanshi Basotra (11C). School Cultural Ministry Captains are Nitin Kumar (12D), and Tanvi Sharma (12A) and their deputy appointments are Jatin Choudhary (11B) and Vanaya Saini (11A).

House Captains of this ministry are: The Maestros House - Arushi Slatthia (11B), Ridhima Sambyal (10B) and Mayera Saraf (5B); The Victors House - Ipsitha Sharma (11C), Harsh Choudhary (10C) and Rakshit Taggar (5C); The Invincibles House - Anandita Sharma (11C), Gunjan Dutta (10C) and Garima Sharma (5B); The Supremes House - Riya (11A), Usha Manhas (10A) and Samiksha Slatthia (5A).

Ministry of Sports comprises of Sports Captains - Naitik Tiwari (12A), Kamalpreet Choudhary (12D), Bhuvan Vaid (11C) and Bhumika Gupta (11D).

Home Ministry has Discipline Captains-Vasu Mathur (11A), Manvi Bagul (10A) and Eyam Sharma (5B).

Environment Ministry comprises of Eco Leaders Sneha (11B), Koshika Slatthia (10B) and Dhriti Rajera (5A).

Four teachers have been appointed as House wardens - Marvi Slatthia- The Maestros House; Arjun Rana-The Victors House; Sakshi Sethi-The Invincibles House; Shakshi Sambyal-The Supremes House.

Principal of the school, Kundan Lal Dogra administered the Oath to the lead-

ers of student's cabinet.

Special Guest Kewal Krishan, CEO Samba complimented the school for conducting a remarkable ceremony and teaching the students, the way democracy functions in the country by way of elections and installation of council of ministers.

The magnificent spectacle of praiseworthy young leaders on the stage, with their badges and sashes, taking the oath of responsibility and holding their flags was truly graceful and enthralling experience.

Investiture Ceremony was held with a motto to invest the students with a sense of responsibility and duty.

MP Khatana accuses Cong of pushing youth towards dark ages

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: Senior Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader & MP Rajya Sabha (Nominated), Er. Gulam Ali Khatana inaugurated the Annual Dangal at Sydney Ground, Bathindi here where thousands of people witnessed the keenly contested wrestling matches.

Addressing the gathering, MP Khatana shedding light on the stark differences in youth empowerment approaches taken by the BJP and Congress, accused the Congress party of pushing the youth towards the abyss of drug abuse and dark ages while praising Prime Minister Narendra Modi's initiatives aimed at channeling the energy of young Indians into nation-building activities.



MP Rajya Sabha, Er. Gulam Ali Khatana with participating wrestlers and organizers.

He highlighted the BJP government's commitment to empowering the youth and fostering an environment where they can excel in various fields.

One of the key initiatives mentioned was "Khelo India," a programme aimed at promoting sports and nurturing sporting talent in the country.

The BJP government has not only introduced Khelo India but also invested in creating the necessary sports infrastructure, resulting in the emergence of a new breed of young athletes who have been excelling in various sports at national and international levels.

He criticized the Congress

party for its alleged role in pushing the youth towards drug addiction and dark ages. He called upon the people to reflect on the choices they have when it comes to empowering the younger generation. The contrast between the BJP's proactive approach in empowering youth and the Congress's perceived failure

in this regard was stark.

MP Gulam Ali Khatana urged the youth to embrace the opportunities created by the BJP government under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. He underlined that the future of India lies in the hands of its young citizens and that they should seize the chance to participate in nation-building activities, sports, and other creative endeavors.

Prominent among others present were Wasim Khatana, Zain Din, Rajak Ali Putto, Chairman, Abdul Razak, Lal Hussain, Ghulam Rasool, Noor Alam, Ex-Sarpanch, Said Mohd, Shama Panch, Hidayat, Jamat Ali, Ghulam Rasool Numberdar, Rafiq BJP.

Inter-collegiate hockey (men) tournament-2023-24 GDC Kunjwani beats GDC Kathua, wins trophy



GDC Kunjwani team receiving winner trophy from the chief guest.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: Government Degree College (GDC) Kunjwani defeated GDC Kathua by 2-0 goals in the final and won the trophy of Inter-Collegiate Hockey (Men) Tournament 2023-24 organised by the Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu (JU) at the University Hockey Field, here on Tuesday.

Earlier, first goal for the

GDC Kunjwani was scored by Dilbag Singh in the 2nd minute and second goal was scored by Mammeet Singh in the 53rd minute by converting penalty corner into goal. Both teams played good games. For the third place match, GDC Poonch beat PG Dept JU team by 2-1 goals. Anil Singh scored the only goal for the PG Dept JU in the 54th minute.

Dr. Daud Iqbal Baba, Director Sports and

Physical Education, JU awarded medals and trophies to the position holders in the presence of Dr. Vimal Kishore, Mukesh Kumar, Narinder Pal Sharma, Ravinder Singh, Gurpreet Kour, Inderjeet Singh and Ravish Vaid.

The matches were officiated by Jagjeet Singh, Karanjeet Singh, Harneek Singh, Charanjeet Singh, Harvinder Pal Singh and PD Singh.

National Disabled Triangular Cricket Tournament Baroda defeats Jharkhand by 63 runs



Winner team posing for photograph with SSP Jammu Dr. Vinod Kumar and others.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
AKINNOOR: The National Disabled Triangular Cricket Tournament, organized by the Jammu and Kashmir Disabled Welfare Association and the Disabled Cricket Control Board of India at the Country Cricket Stadium in Gharota.

The tournament was inaugurated by SSP Jammu Dr. Vinod Kumar, with special guests including Ghazal Khan, CEO of Disabled Cricket Control Board of India, and Rajan Singh Happy, the former President of Yuva Rajput Sabha.

The tournament was supervised by Sham Singh Langeh, the Zonal Head of Disabled Cricket Control Board of India, and Shah Aziz, the Coordinator of Jammu Kashmir Disabled Cricket Control Board.

In the first match of the tournament, Divyang Cricket Team Baroda played against Divyang Cricket Team Jharkhand.

Baroda won the toss, batted first, and scored 186 runs, losing six wickets in 20 overs. Abhinandan was the standout performer for Baroda, scoring 70 runs, while Imran contributed 22 important runs. Vagish and Vijay took two wickets each for the Jharkhand team. Jharkhand, in their chase of 187 runs, managed to score only 123/5 runs in 20 overs. Vagish con-

tributed 38 runs, Pramod scored 28, and Mohd Qasim added 24 runs for Jharkhand. Imran Malik from Baroda took 2 wickets, while Yash and Rohit got one wicket each. Abhinandan was named the Man of the Match for his outstanding performance.

In the second match of the day, Baroda played against Jammu and Kashmir, and Baroda won by seven wickets.

SSP Jammu Dr. Vinod Kumar commended the players and organizers for conducting the national-level triangular series for disabled athletes.

He expressed his admiration for the passion of the disabled players for sports and assured that the Jammu and Kashmir Police would provide full support to encourage disabled players.

He also urged the youth in attendance to stay away from drug abuse and engage in sports to maintain their physical and mental fitness.

Several other prominent figures were present at the event, including Chairman Block Development Council Bhalwal Kuldeep Raj, DySP DAR Jammu KD Bhagat, SDPO Akmoor Mohan Lal, Sarpanch Pratap Singh, Sarpanch Sanjeev Singh, Country Cricket Stadium MD Vikrant Sharma, SHO Gharota Joginder Chib, and BJP leader Baba Chanchal.

Sandeep qualifies Ph.D

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Sandeep Sharma, son of Chander Parkash, resident of Village Garh Samna Banj, Tehsil-Majalta, District Udhampur, has been declared qualified for the award of Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) in Sanskrit by the University of Jammu.

He worked on the topic, "Nath Aghorananda Rachita Yogakarnika Ka Samikshatnaka adhyayana" (critical study on Yogakarnika by Natha Aghorananda) under the supervision of Prof. Ram Bahadur.



MIET, GDC Paloura win in JU cricket

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Model Institute of Engineering and Technology (MIET) Jammu and Government Degree College (GDC) Paloura registered victories in the ongoing Inter-Collegiate Cricket (Men) Tournament, organised by the Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu (JU) at the University Cricket Ground, here on Tuesday. In today's matches, MIET beat Dogra Law College by 53 runs and GDC Paloura beat BDC Udhampur by 20 runs.

Inter-collegiate Kabaddi (women) Tournament enters day 2

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Six matches were played on second day of the Inter-Collegiate Kabaddi (Women) Tournament, organised by the Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu (JU) at the University Kabaddi Court, here on Tuesday. The matches were officiated by Dheeraj Sharma, Amandeep Singh, Keshav Singh, Harpreet Singh and Gagan Kumar. Today's results: GCW Parade beat GCW Udhampur by 17 (36-19) points; PG Deptt JU beat GDC Ramnagar by 20 (40-20) points; GDC Reasi beat GDC Akmoor by two (38-36) points; PG Deptt JU beat GCW Kathua by 15 (30-15) points; GDC Bhaderwah beat GDC Billawar by five (25-20) points; and GDC Reasi beat GDC Kathua by five (30-25) points.

Nav Vidya Dhalote bags Kabaddi titles

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
SAMBA: Nav Vidya Higher Secondary School Dhalote bagged both boys and girls title trophies of the District Samba (under-14) Kabaddi Tournament which was organised by Samba District Kabaddi Association in collaboration with district unit of the Kreedha Bharati at Indoor Stadium, here on Tuesday.

The day-long event turned out to be a success with eight teams in boys and seven in girls took part in this knock-out competition.

Earlier, in the boys' final, Nav Vidya Dhalote defeated Shivji High School Patyari 32-12. Third position went to Baba Balak Nath (BBN) School, who beat Modern Institute Sumb 17-11.

Similarly, in girls title clash, Nav Vidya Dhalote trounced BBN School 23-12. In the hardlinder, Army Public School finished third beating Vinod Vidya Mandir (VVM) 11-09.



Chief Guest presenting trophy to a winner team.

A number of boys and girls were presented with special prizes for being outstanding during the competition.

Best players: Girls: Kavita, Antra, Radhika, Urvasi, Mehak, Chahat, Sameksha, Niharika, Nagina, Aasia, Bhumika, Arushi, Vanshika, Anshika, Antra, Ridhima, Taniya, Tanvi, Ravina and Lavnya.

Boys: Vansh, Kaniya, Imran, Zazir, Ankush, Sahil, Arman, Shivam, Ayush, Aditya, Saparsh, Nitin, Hardik, Amin, Irfan, Zaisf, Rohit, Saransh, Gourav and

Saksham.

In the finals and prize distribution, General Secretary of Kreedha Bharati J&K, R C Vaid was Chief Guest while Raj Kumar Sharma (executive member) was Guest of Honour. Both these guests encouraged the position holder teams and other individuals for their performance.

Earlier, president of the District Kabaddi Association, Krishan Singh presented a brief note of the event amidst introduction of the participating teams and their officials.