

Top VAJK officials Raj Daluja, Sidharth visit Rajouri



Chairman of the Volleyball Association of J&K, Raj Daluja and President Sidharth Daluja receiving welcome at district Rajouri on Thursday.

STATE TIMES NEWS
RAJOURI: Chairman of the Volleyball Association of J&K (VAJK), Raj Daluja and president Sidharth Daluja today visited district Rajouri. Both the top officials of the

VAJK were accorded a warm welcome on their arrival by president of the District Volleyball Association, Sajjad Majeed. Joined by other officials of the district association, presi-

dent held a detailed discussion with Sidharth Daluja with regard to strengthening the popular game of Volleyball by involving youngsters, especially those school and college students by way of opening

more training facilities. The officials of the district association also highlighted their ideas of volleyball promotion and sought the VAJK cooperation in terms of logistic support and exposure

to the talented staff. Later, president VAJK, Sidharth Daluja assured the district association of all possible help in grooming the talented stuff and then exposure at the UT and National level.

Sub-Junior Kabaddi probables named for Camp

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Amateur Kabaddi Association on Thursday finalised the probable for the coaching camp, being organised before participation in the 35th Sub-Junior National (boys and girls) Kabaddi Championship.

This was disclosed by general secretary of the Association, Dr. Kuldeep Kumar Gupta, here today. He informed that the championship is scheduled to be held at Sonapat in Haryana from November 27 to November 30.

The final selected teams shall represent J&K under the banner of the J&K Amateur Kabaddi Association and J&K Sports Council.

A total of 32 players have been selected in both sections for the preparatory camp.



The Probable: Girls: Eva (Jammu), Manjot Rajput (Samba), Nazia Cateef (Bandipora), Beenakshi Devi (Udhampur), Foza Anjum (Rajouri), Shreya Thakur (Udhampur), Kysa Fatema (Doda), Prakriti (Kathua), Siya (Jammu), Saara Amin Khan (Poonch), Aakriti (Kathua), Sania Jaan (Baramulla), Anfa Tanveer (Baramulla), Girja Bhagat (Jammu), Palak (Jammu) and Baneev Verma (Jammu).
Boys: Irfan Alam (Poonch), Yashir Bashir (Budgam), Waseem Raja (Doda), Danish Ali Waza (Bandipora), Akshraj (Jammu), Yawar Imran Dar (Budgam), Ram Paul Sharma (Jammu), Lavish Dogra (Udhampur), Tanik Loria (Jammu), Farhan Khurshid (Shopian), Shazib Manzoor (Pulwama), Vikas Sharma (Udhampur), Anirudh Dev Singh (Ramban), Vishab Pratap Singh (Kathua), Arun Kumar (Jammu) and Shubam Kumar (Jammu).

Saanvi Grover of DPS Jammu shines at CBSE National Skating Championship 2025

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Delhi Public School Jammu announced that Saanvi Grover, a talented student of Class X-A, has made Jammu & Kashmir immensely proud by winning medals at the CBSE National Skating Championship 2025, held in Gurugram from 13th-16th November 2025. She emerged as the only participant from Jammu & Kashmir to secure podium positions at this prestigious national event, bringing great honour to the UT, the school, and her family.

In a remarkable display of determination and sporting excellence, Saanvi won a Silver Medal in the 1000 m race and a Bronze Medal in the 500 m race, competing against the best young skaters from across the country.

Her national success follows her outstanding performance at the CBSE North Zone-II Skating Championship, where she clinched 1st position in the 500 m race and 2nd position in the 1000 m race. The national championship saw participation from over 100 schools representing all regions of India, making her achievement truly exemplary.

DPS Jammu also acknowledged Viraj Gandotra of Class VIII-B, who represented the school in the U-14 Boys (1000 m race) category,



showcasing commendable grit and enthusiasm. The Management of DPS Jammu under the visionary leadership of President-RCT, Ajatshatru Singh; Pro VC, Dr. Ritu Singh; Director, S.S. Sodhi; along with the Principal, Ruchi Chhabra, and the dedicated staff extended their heartfelt congratulations to Saanvi, her proud parents, and the Skating Coach, Parth Slathia, for this outstanding accomplishment. They praised her discipline, hard work, and inspiring commitment to excellence, and conveyed their best wishes for her future endeavours.

37th District Udhampur Volleyball Championship begins with enthusiasm

STATE TIMES NEWS
UDHAMPUR: The Volleyball Association of District Udhampur today inaugurated the 37th District Volleyball Championship for both boys and girls, organized under the aegis of the Volleyball Association of Jammu and Kashmir and sponsorship of J&K Sports Council.

The opening ceremony witnessed an encouraging start with Jugal Kishore Anand, Additional District Development Commissioner Udhampur, as the Chief Guest, while Neeraj Bhargava, District Information Officer Udhampur, graced the event as the Guest of Honour.

The tournament was formally declared open by the Chief Guest in the presence of a large gathering.

The championship began with exciting matches in the



Participating teams posing for a photograph with dignitaries at Udhampur.

boys' section. The first match between Army Public School and Delhi Public School (DPS) Udhampur was a thrilling contest, where DPS emerged victorious with a 2-0 win, scoring 25-18 and 25-15. In the second match, GDC Udhampur defeated Roun Domail Volleyball Club with a 2-1 scoreline of 13-25, 25-16, and 15-7. The third match saw City Volleyball Club outplay Tikri Volleyball Club 2-

0, with scores of 25-14 and 25-21. In the fourth match, Rannagar Volleyball Club clinched a 2-0 victory over Raja Volleyball Club, scoring 25-15 and 25-18. AOC Club won the fifth match against Barta Volleyball Club 2-0, registering 25-19 and 25-17. The sixth match was claimed by Udhampur Volleyball Club, who defeated Chiriyal Volleyball Club 2-0 with scores of 25-18 and 25-19.

In the girls' section, the first semi-final witnessed Rannagar Volleyball Club securing a convincing 2-0 victory over GCW, scoring 25-15 and 25-13. The second semi-final was closely fought between Army Public School (APS) and Udhampur Volleyball Club, with APS winning 2-0 in a tight battle, scoring 25-23, 25-23. The championship drew wide participation from senior citizens, veteran volleyball players, Beopar Mandal members, and the Chamber of Commerce.

Dignitaries present included Ashok Padha (President VADU), Amit Chander Singh (Secretary VADU), Pardeep Chopra, Bhushan Sethi, Ashok Kumar, Junior Ashok Kumar, Kuldeep Sharma (Joint Secretary), Pawan Kumar (Sr. Vice President), and Ajit Singh, among other volleyball enthusiasts.

The matches were officiated by Naveen Sharma, Manik Nargotra, Kuldeep Sharma, Rakesh Sharma, Deepak Sharma, Meenu, Neetika, and Vinod Sharma. The stage proceedings were conducted by Amit Sharma, Senior National Player and Physical Education Teacher, adding professional flair to the event's commencement.

HPS Samba receives special award from HelpAge India for fund raising efforts

STATE TIMES NEWS
SAMBHA: Humanity Public School (HPS) Samba was honoured with a special award by HelpAge India during a ceremony held in a special assembly, recognizing the school's outstanding fundraising efforts for the welfare of the elderly.

Demonstrating remarkable compassion and social responsibility, the students and staff of HPS raised an impressive Rs 2,91,532 in support of HelpAge India's initiatives. The school has been actively collaborating with the organization for the past seven years, consistently contributing to causes that uplift senior citizens.

The event was graced by Neeru Khajuria, Senior Executive, HelpAge India, who presented the special award to the school administration. Those honoured included Principal Gaurav Charak, Vice-Principal Anku Charak, Akashdeep Raina



(Senior Incharge), Parsidh Singh (Incharge, Hr. Secondary Wing), Namrata Sharma (Incharge, Senior Wing), and Vandana Sharma (Incharge, Primary Wing).

A number of students were also recognized for their exemplary fundraising efforts. Six top-performing students were awarded personally by Khajuria, while others received badges, caps, and certificates from HelpAge India. From the Primary Wing, notable contributors included Mohd. Adyan (Class 2) with Rs 6,230, Preet Kour (Class 5)

with Rs 4,020, and Anmirdh Chamoli (Class 2) with Rs 2,310. In the Middle and Higher Secondary Wings, Deepika Singh (Class 12) collected Rs 4,170, Arun (Class 12) raised Rs 4,030, and Paridhi Singh (Class 6) contributed Rs 2,200.

Teachers who guided and supported the students were also appreciated. Namrata Sharma, Incharge of the

Middle and High Wing, received a special appreciation award for the highest collection. Meenakshi Magotra (Primary Wing), Shivani Bhandral, and Reena Sharma (Higher Secondary Wing) were also acknowledged for their dedicated efforts.

Commending the school's commitment, Khajuria praised HPS as "the most successful school" in the cam-

paign. Principal Gaurav Charak highlighted that such activities nurture empathy and responsibility among students. The school's initiative stands as a shining example of youth-driven compassion, promoting dignity, respect, and care for senior citizens.

Jammu District Volleyball meet from Dec 6

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Jammu District Volleyball Association shall hold two-day 37th Jammu District Volleyball (men and women) Championship, under the aegis of Volleyball Association of J&K (VAJK) from December 6 at MA Stadium, here.

Sponsored by the J&K Sports Council (JKSC), the tournament shall be held on knock out basis. December 4 has been fixed as last date for the entries, along with a fee of Rs 200.

Entries can be submitted to Secretary, Amarjit Singh (Mobile: 9484042351). Each participating team must consist of 10 players. The fixture shall be drawn on December 5 at 3:00 PM at the venue, MA Stadium.

Srinagar Judo meet begins today

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: Srinagar District Judo association shall organise two-day Srinagar District Judo Championship at Polo Ground Stadium, here from tomorrow.

The championship will take place under the aegis of Judo Association of Jammu and Kashmir (JAJK) and J&K Sports Council. Those interested eligible judokas have been advised to report to concerned coaches along with registration form and Aadhar card. Gowhar Khan, joint secretary of JAJK has been made organising secretary of the tournament.

J&K UT team leaves for 6th All India International Shito-Ryu Karate C'ship



J&K UT team before leaving for 6th All India International Shito-Ryu Karate Championship.

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: A team of students from Jammu and Kashmir UT left to participate in the 6th All India International Karate Championship scheduled to be held in Uttarakhand.

The enthusiastic group received an encouraging send-off from Advocate Adhitya Gupta, Youth President PDP JKUT, and Parveen Akhtar, District President PDP Urban Jammu.

The students will compete under the guidance and supervision of Priyanka Jamwal and Kailash. The participating students include Diviti Devi, Shushila Bharti, Babli Devi, Reenu Bharti, Prinka Bharti, Mukesh Devi, Kamlesh Devi, Sakindiya Devi, Anu Radha, Mukesh Devi, Ramta Devi, Pammu Devi, Rimpdy Devi, Sunita Devi, Shivali Devi, Ambika Devi, Usha Devi, Meenakshi Devi, Pooja Devi, Kiran Devi, Renu Devi, Surishta Devi,

and Rekha Devi. Both Advocate Adhitya Gupta and Shamim Akhtar extended their best wishes to the team, expressing confidence in the talent and dedication of the young karatekas.

Ravinder Singh, Chief Instructor of J&K UT, International Shito-Ryu Karate Organization, applauded the hard work and discipline of the students, hoping for an inspiring performance in the national-level event.

10-member team represents J&K in Junior National



STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: A 10-member J&K Badminton team today reached Itanagar in Arunachal Pradesh to participate in the 48th Junior (under-19) National Badminton Championship, which got underway on Thursday. As per the reports reaching here, the team is accompanied by senior SAI coach, posed in Jammu, Touseef Ahmed as manager-cum-coach. The five-day champi-

onship shall culminate on November 24. Earlier, the team was selected by the Badminton Association of J&K considering the performance in the UT level competitions and selection events.

The Team: Girls: Skiedeeep Kaur, Snowey Goswami, Yashaswani Amit Pandoh, Diamond Rajput, Antima Naruka. Boys: Shaurya Pratham, Gopesh Singh, Shauryaveer Jasrotia, Vaibhav Mehta, Smaksh.

APS Rakhmuthi hosts Annual Sports Day 2025

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Army Public School Rakhmuthi celebrated its Annual Sports Day (2025-26) with spirited zeal under the theme "Viksit Bharat - Sapna Nahi Sankalp." The Chairman, APS Rakhmuthi, and the First Lady graced the occasion as Chief Guests, adding honour and motivation. The programme featured the Principal, Shaswati Ghosh, presenting the Annual Report, followed by the Lighting of the Torch, synchronised March Past, and Oath Ceremony, reinforcing discipline and sportsmanship. A vibrant Opening Dance by Classes I-III set the tone, followed by athletic highlights including 100 m, 200 m, and 400 m races. Junior categories showcased cheerful enthusiasm through the Duck Walk, Packing the School Bag, and Balloon Balancing Races. Yoga, Pyramid Formation, Gift Wrapping Race, and the Waves in Harmony Drill displayed balance, teamwork, and rhythmic precision. Vidyanjali students from Government Primary School, Dhangar Kaleth, participated in the Lemon-and-Spoon Race, symbolising inclusion. Supporting staff, teachers, and parents also joined various fun races, enhancing camaraderie. A dynamic Karate Demonstration and the high-spirited 4x100 m relays marked the athletic finale.



The cultural tableau, "Vibrant Hues of Culture - A Unified Viksit Bharat," celebrated India's diversity. Achievers were felicitated, and the Chief Guest encouraged students to pursue discipline, confidence, and a purposeful national vision. The event concluded with the National Anthem and a fellowship over tea.

34 States to vie for honours as 69th National School Games TT championship today



STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: The stage is all set for an exciting display of skill and sportsmanship as around 400 paddlers representing 34 States, Union Territories, and organizations from across the country gear up to compete in the 69th National School Games Under-19 Boys and Girls Table Tennis Tournament, commencing tomorrow at the Gymnasium Hall, University of Jammu.

With the arrival of all participating contingents, Organising Secretary of the tournament and Joint Director, Youth Services and Sports Jammu, Vinakshi

Koul, convened a meeting of coaches and managers this evening. She briefed them about the event's schedule, rules, and logistics, while emphasizing coordinated efforts for the smooth and successful conduct of the championship.

She was accompanied by Samir Debbarma, Observer from the School Games Federation of India (SGFI), representing Tripura.

Teams from Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, CBSE, Chandigarh, Chhattisgarh, CISCE, Delhi, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, IBSSO, IPSE,

Jammu & Kashmir, Jharkhand, Karnataka, KVS, Kerala, Ladakh, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, NVS, Odisha, Puducherry, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Vidya Bharati, and West Bengal will be vying for top honours in this prestigious competition. The tournament will be formally inaugurated at 10:45 AM sharp tomorrow, marking the beginning of five days of spirited sporting action among the country's most promising school-level table tennis talents.