

JK Group of Colleges celebrates Lohri with fervour



Glimpses of Lohri celebrations at JK Group of Colleges on Friday at Jammu.

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JAMMU: Lohri was celebrated at the campus of

J.K. Group of Colleges with a lot of exuberance and fanfare. The mood on the campus was upbeat and

the students were totally absorbed in the festive spirit of Lohri. The students sang songs immersed in rich

cultural folk fare of Punjab. The bonfire was lit and all threw sesame seeds, jaggery and rewaris in it.

The celebration concluded with the pray to the fire God to bless all with abundance and prosperity.

Shahnaz Parveen becomes first woman athlete to win gold at National University Games

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KARGIL: Shahnaz Parveen, who hails from far-flung village of Checheynsa Sankoo in Kargil-Ladakh, became the first female athlete from Ladakh to win a gold medal in an official national event after she won the top honours in Group Poomsae under-30 at the National University Games held in Punjab.

She represented her university Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak at the games, which included participants from over 146 universities from across India.

Chairperson/CEC of LAHDC, Kargil, Feroz Ahmad Khan congratulated Shahnaz Parveen on winning the gold medal.

He stated that Kargil has produced several top athletes in Taekwondo who have made a mark not only at state-level events but also at national and international events and brought laurels to Ladakh.

CEC called Shahnaz Parveen a role model for future generation as sports has a bright future in UT Ladakh. "I hope that youngsters devote time to sports and pursue excellence in sport disciplines at different levels," he said.



He also congratulated Ladakh Taekwondo Association and urged all sports associations to come on a common platform to make Ladakh a sporting hub in the country.

President of Ladakh Taekwondo Association, Gulzar Hussain Munshi congratulated Shahnaz Parveen on winning the gold medal at a national event. He urged University of Ladakh to start professional coaching of sportspersons

to create a full-fledged team for the university.

He added that there are a number of talented young sportspersons and urged the UT Administration to help the association with infrastructure to ensure that more athletes can receive the required support and prepare for various events.

Shahnaz Parveen thanked her Coach, Atul Pangotra for her achievement.

She added that he is the best coach in India for Taekwondo who works on the strength of the player to use that for his or her success.

She also thanked Ladakh Taekwondo Association, her parents and people of Kargil who remain a source of inspiration for her.

Shahnaz Parveen also requested the Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh to give special consideration to sporting disciplines that are already established to help these athletes showcase their talents and make a mark in their chosen sport. Its pertinent to mention here that Tashi Tundup from Fokar Kargil also won Gold Medal at the University Games recently.

District Poonch Wushu Championship begins



Players posing during opening ceremony of District Poonch Wushu Championship.

Secretary of the Association, Tarapreet Kaur.

The Chief Guest met with all the players and distributed medals among winners of today's events. He also gave his best wishes to all the participants for rest of competition.

Prominent persons present were Neeraj Sharma PET, Sarjeet Singh senior boxer, Jatinder Paul PET, Asha Hussain Organising Secretary PDTA and Majid Hussain.

Today's results BOYS Sub Junior U-35: Mohd Shoib, gold, Garvin Gupta, silver, U-25: Lakshay, gold and Arshit Singh, silver.

RESULTS Sub Junior U-27: Rukhsana Bandey, gold, Rukhsana Kouser, silver, U-32: Farzana Kouser, gold and Maryam Mir, silver.

Other special guests present were Abhinav Dabur JE PDD, Rajinder Singh Physical Education Teacher from Department of Youth Services and Sports and Amit Sharma Joint Secretary Poonch District Taekwondo Association (PDTA).

Earlier, the gathering was welcomed by General

6th Mata Joginder Kour Memorial Badminton Tournament concludes

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: A week-long Mata Joginder Kour Memorial Tournament concluded on Friday on the eve of National Youth Day with slogan "Viksit Youth, Viksit Bharat" at Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Science & Technology Jammu (SKUAST-J).

This was the 6th edition of badminton tournament which was organised to commemorate Mata Joginder Kour.

ADC Jammu Harvinder Singh and SSP Randheer Singh were the Chief Guests on the occasion whereas Dr. Ashwani Jojra, social activist and National Awardee, Principal Sunita Chadha, Vice Principal Ranjana Gupta and



Winner players posing for a photograph with dignitaries.

Registrar SKUAST Dr. S K Gupta were the Guest of Honour.

The sole motive of this tournament was to channelize the youth energy through the medium of sports.

ADC Harvinder Singh and SSP Randheer Singh lauded the initiatives of the Mata Joginder Kour

participants took part.

Among other dignitaries present were Prof Dr. Ravinder Singh, Prof Dr. Subash, Prof Dr. Veena Gupta and Sarpanch Avtar Singh and PRI members.

Key note was addressed by Dr. Sukhbir Singh, General Secretary MJKMT whereas vote of thanks was presented by President of the Trust, Amarjeet Singh while Chairman MJKMT Trust Harbans Singh also showered his blessings on the participants.

Tournament officials were Daljeet Singh Bhatia, Desh Kumar Sharma and Sandeep Raina. The tournament was conducted under the guidance of Dushyant Sharma, Convenor Tournament Organizing Committee.

IGNOU Jammu reaches out to students at GCW Parade

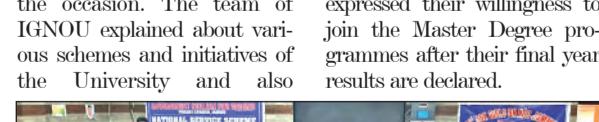
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JAMMU: Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) Regional Centre Jammu on Friday reached out to Govt. College for Women, Parade Ground Jammu.

A team of officers of the Regional Centre comprising of the Regional Director I/C, Dr. Sandeep Gupta and Assistant Regional Directors, Dr. Vikram Singh and Dr. Asha Upadhyay Singh were present at the College and had an interaction with NCC/NSC volunteers and students of the Institution.

Regional Centre Jammu has a Learner Support Centre operating from the GCW, Parade Ground, Jammu by the Centre Code 12123.

Dr. Mohd. Majeed, Coordinator of the LSC, Dr. Rajesh Kant, Dean Students Welfare, Govt. College for Women, Parade and other staff members were also present on the occasion. The team of IGNOU explained about various schemes and initiatives of the University and also



Regional Director IGNOU interacting with students and volunteers at Govt. College for Women Parade.

Param FC wins boys, girls titles of Football Fest



Param FC team receiving winner trophy.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: Param FC girls and boys team emerged winners and lifted the trophies of Jammu's First Football Fest organised by Batra Group and Pegasus Sports Academy at Indoor Hall Bhagwati Nagar, here on Friday.

In girls final, Param FC outplayed Pegasus FC Academy by 3-2 goals while Param FC defeated Lonestar FC by 8-4 goals in boys final.

Amritpal Singh scored four goals, Rohit Deep Singh scored two, Ankit and Arun Nagial scored one goal each for the winning boys team.

In the closing ceremony, Birla Open Minds

International School, Aparna Kohli, was the Chief Guest while Sidharth Dogra Managing Partner Jammu Links, Manik Batra Director Batra Group and Bhisham Batra Director Batra Group were also present.

Bhisham Batra said, "Finally 10-day fest has come to an end and it was first of its kind football event teams from all over J&K and Ladakh participated.

I would like to thank JK Sports Council and JKFA for their support throughout and seeing the talent we will keep hosting tournaments so players can get a good platform to showcase their talent."

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LAHD-SSRB to advertise vacancies in Education Deptt soon

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District Volleyball Association Kathua members handing over Volleyball kits to newly formed Rudra Volleyball Club, Upper Mela.

of Upper Mela Club and a prominent sports person of Mela, assured that he will

provide all possible help to young children.

Prominent among others

present were Kaushal Varma, Sham Lal Sharma and Pradip Sharma.

India beat Spain 2-0 in opening Hockey World Cup match

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ROURKELA: Hosts India defeated Spain 2-0 in their opening match of the FIH men's hockey World Cup here on Friday.

Vice-captain Amit Rohidas (12th) and Hardik Singh (26th) scored for India in the second Pool D match.

While Rohidas scored from a rebound following a penalty-corner situation, Hardik sounded the board with a field effort.

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