

# RPHQ organises volleyball tournament under CAP

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Range Police Headquarters Jammu (RPHQ) organised a volleyball tournament in tehsil RS Pura, in which eight teams participated.

The tournament was conducted under Civic Action Programme 2023-2024 in Bana Singh Stadium RS Pura of District Jammu under the aegis of Shakti Kumar Pathak, DIG JSK Range and overall supervision of Staff Officer to DIG Jammu Rajinder Singh Katoch, SSP.

The tournament started with the welcome of the Chief Guest Shakti Kumar Pathak. A total of seven matches were played in the tournament.

Results league matches: Government Higher Secondary School (GHSS) Dablehar beat GHSS Rangpur; MHDV Public School RS Pura beat GHSS Badyal Brahmna;



Chief Guest Shakti Kumar Pathak, DIG JSK Range with winner team and other dignitaries at closing ceremony.

Government Model Boys Higher Secondary School RS Pura beat Team Chuni Lal Memorial Higher Secondary School Chakroi; GHSS Chandu Chak beat GHSS Sai Kalan.

Semi-finals: Govt. Model Boys Higher Secondary School RS Pura beat GHSS Dablehar; GHSS Chandu Chak beat MHDV Public School RS Pura.

Final: GHSS Chandu Chak registered win by beating Govt. Model Boys

Higher Secondary School RS Pura.

While addressing media, DIG JSK Range shared that the main motive of the Jammu and Kashmir Police in organizing such sport tournaments is to encourage the youth to stay away from drugs, negative influence, bad company and to maintain a cohesion between police and youth, so that the youth's energy is channelized in a better way.

Several prominent persons,

including SDM RS Pura Seema Parihar; Principal Govt. Degree College RS Pura Dr. Rajni Bhagat, Ex Municipal Chairman RS Pura, Satpal Pappi, Principal Govt. Boys Hr. Sec School RS Pura Suman Lata, Mahant Rajesh Bittu, ZPEO RS Pura Umesh Kumar Sharma, President Bazar Association RS Pura Sachin Chopra, Ward member Labba Ram, Teachers and Students of Government Higher Secondary School

RS Pura and general public from different places were also present to boost the morale of the players.

Shakti Kumar Pathak, Rajinder Singh Katoch, SP Hqrs. Jammu Ramnish Gupta, DySP Raman Kumar ADO RPHQ Jammu, DySP RPHQ, Jatinder Singh Sambyal, distributed cash prize, trophies, volleyball to winner and runner-up teams and certificates to all the participants.

Nikhil Gogna, SDPO RS Pura, SHO RS Pura Naveen Angral, ICPP Badyal Brahmna Sandeep K Raju, ICPP Chakroi Ishfaq Choudhary and the team of CAP members from RPHQ, Jammu Sub Insp. Suresh Kumar; ASI Tarsem Lal, ASI Jasvir Singh, ASI Deepak Sharma, Sget Sudesh Sharma, Sget Parshotam Choudhary, Sget Arun Kumar, Surjit Singh and Vishal Verma were also present.

# J&K XI lost to Delhi in thrilling semifinal of NZ Veteran T20 C'ship



Veteran Cricket Association J&K XI team posing for a photograph.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**  
FARIDABAD: Veteran Cricket Association J&K XI lost the thrilling semifinals of North Zone Veteran T20 Cricket Championship by 10 runs to star studded Veteran Cricket Association of Delhi which included former India & Ranji Players.

The tournament is being organised by Haryana Cricket Veteran Association under the aegis of Board for Veteran Cricket in India at Sledge Hammer Cricket Academy Faridabad.

Vivek Suri, Captain of Veteran Cricket Association J&K, won the toss and put Veteran Cricket Association of Delhi to bat first.

Sanjeev Sharma former

India player & Pradeep Chawla started on the brisk mode and contributed 23 runs for first wicket. Veteran Cricket Association Delhi scored 130 runs for the loss of eight wickets.

Sanjeev Sharma scored 40 runs and Suresh Kohli former Delhi Ranji player scored 25 runs.

For Veteran Cricket Association J&K, Nasir grabbed three wickets while Sunil Jalla and Susheel Dhar claimed one wicket each.

In reply, Veteran Cricket Association J&K XI started on a disastrous note as top 2 players went early when score was 15 runs. But Sunil Sharma and Saleem Khan send Delhi bowlers on

a leather hunt with towering shots all around the Ground.

At one stage VCAJK needed 37 runs in 30 balls but Suresh Kohli make quick inroads by picking four crucial wickets restricted Veteran Cricket Association J&K to 120 runs thereby entering into finals by a margin of 10 runs.

Sunil Sharma and Saleem scored 32 and 33 runs respectively. Suresh Kohli picked four wickets whereas Sanjeev Saini, Arun, Dinesh and Kapil Mehta scalped one wicket each.

Veteran Cricket Association of Delhi will play against Haryana Veteran Cricket Association for North Zone Championship trophy.

# ICSSR sponsored Ten Days' Research Methodology Programme concludes at CUJ



VC CUJ, Prof. Sanjeev Jain and DC Samba, Abhishek Sharma presenting certificate to a participant.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: The Department of Marketing and Supply Chain Management, School of Business Studies, Central University of Jammu organised a 10 days' Research Methodology Course sponsored by Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR).

The workshop was intended to disseminate knowledge relating to the methods and methodology in Social Sciences research.

During the ten days course, altogether 40 technical sessions were conducted covering different aspects of research methodology.

The inaugural session of the course was held on 8th January, 2024. For the workshop 1256 registrations were received from 55 different Universities, out of which 30 participants were selected.

Out of 30 participants, 10 were selected from the

Universities outside the state, 10 from the other Universities of the State and 10 from our own University.

The participants were from diverse disciplines including Management, Economics, Commerce, Education, Social Work etc.

The sessions during the next nine days were conducted by the Professors from Central University of Haryana, Delhi University, IIM Jammu, Gujarat State University, University of Jammu, SKUAST Jammu and Central University of Jammu.

On the valedictory session of the program on Thursday, Prof. Sanjeev Jain, Vice Chancellor was the Chief Guest and Abhishek Sharma, Deputy Commissioner Samba was the Guest of Honour.

Prof Sanjeev Jain accentuated the significance of the workshop to disseminate the knowledge about the research tools and technique to produce

quality publication.

He emphasised that learning from this course shall help the scholars to improve the quality of research and publications.

Abhishek Sharma deliberated deeply on various aspects of research and connected contemporary research to ancient research. He also discussed that India was the epicentre of knowledge in the past but due to some reasons it took another way. He also exhorted the scholars to accept the challenge to connect their research to ancient research.

Prof Yashwant Singh, Registrar CUJ emphasized the university's commitment to providing robust support mechanisms for research endeavors, encouraging scholars to explore innovative avenues. Prof Jaya Bhasin, Dean School of Business Studies shared valuable perspectives on the essence of conducting good research within the Central University of Jammu. Prof Ajai Pal Sharma- Course Director deliberated about the Workshop and Dr Naresh Kumar Sharma, Course Co Director presented the detailed report of the 10 days proceedings.

Dr Anju Thapa, conducted the proceedings of the event while Dr Neelika Arora, presented a formal vote of thanks.

# Avantika qualifies Ph.D

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Avantika Bakshi, daughter of Gautam & Nandani Bakshi, and wife of Dhwanit Gupta has been declared qualified for the award of Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) in Management by the University of Jammu. She worked on the topic 'Business to Business Digital Marketing strategies for Agribusinesses in Jammu' under the supervision of Prof (Dr) Vinay Chauhan.



# JU organises effective communication and leadership skills workshop

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: A dynamic and insightful workshop on the topic "Effective Communication and Leadership" was organized today by the Department of Students Welfare, University of Jammu in collaboration with ELFA International.

The workshop aimed to equip students with the essential skills to navigate the complex landscape of communication in both personal and professional spheres.

Dr. Mehran Khan, CEO and founder of ELFA International was the key resource person of the workshop. He highlighted the paramount importance of effective communication in today's interconnected world.

Participants were engaged in ice-breaking activities that not only fostered a sense of camaraderie but also set the stage for an interactive and participative learning environment.

During the session, Dr. Khan shared valuable techniques for effective communication, emphasizing the significance of pausing before responding,



Dr. Mehran Khan, CEO and founder of ELFA International posing with students and other dignitaries at JU.

building trust through honesty, and avoiding rushed communication.

One of the key takeaways was the exploration of the "Power of Positive No," a concept that empowers individuals to communicate assertively and constructively.

The workshop was not merely theoretical, students actively participated in various exercises designed to reinforce the principles of effective communication.

These hands-on activities provided practical insights, allowing attendees to apply the newly acquired skills in real-world scenarios.

More than 90 students and scholars from the different teaching departments of the University participated in the workshop.

The Workshop commenced with a ceremonial lamp light-

ing, symbolizing the illumination of knowledge and wisdom. Prof. Sarika Manhas, Co-Chairperson Campus Cultural Committee, delivered a warm welcome address, setting the tone for an engaging and collaborative atmosphere. Prof. Monika Chadha, Chairperson Campus Cultural Committee, in her address, shared insightful perspectives on communica-

tion and enlightened the students about the objectives of the workshop. The workshop also featured a motivating address by Prof. Parkash Antahal, Dean Students Welfare, encouraging students to actively participate and make the most out of the learning experience. Prominent among others who graced the occasion were Dr Hema Gandotra, Dr Shalsh Sehgal, Dr Sarabjeet Kour; Dr Monika Gupta, Dr Tsering Yangzom, Dr Bandana Thakur, Dr Abdul Rashid Manhas(Dy Proctor,DSW), Dr Pritam Singh (Associate Dean, DSW) and other members of the Campus Cultural Committee.

Mansi Mantoo, Media Officer; Ifra Kak, Cultural Officer; Sumeet Sharma, Drama Instructor and Sachin Sharma, Computer Assistant helped in coordinating the workshop. Sound and other logistics were looked after by Kulbhushan Thakur, Arif Paul and Rajinder Pal Singh.

# Principal Secretary visits SPS Museum; emphasizes role of each stakeholder in preserving region's cultural legacy

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

SRINAGAR: Principal Secretary Culture, Suresh Kumar Gupta, on Thursday visited Shri Partap Singh Museum, Lal Mandi, here and took stock of exquisite treasures of region's cultural legacy displayed in the galleries there.

Director, Archives, Archaeology & Museums, Pardeep Kumar, Deputy Director, Archives, Archaeology and Museums, Kashmir, Mushtaq Ahmad Beigh and other concerned were present on the occasion.

During the visit, the Principal Secretary visited



Principal Secretary Culture, Suresh Kumar Gupta during visit to Shri Partap Singh Museum, Lal Mandi.

various galleries of the museum and was briefed about the precious collection displayed/housed in the galleries. He strolled through

the corridors adorned with artifacts, the rich tapestry of Kashmir's history unfolded before him. He emphasized the crucial role of

every stakeholder in preserving and promoting the region's cultural heritage for the posterity. He had a detailed review regarding the conservation and related works being done in the museum and asked the concerned to ensure that all the sections of the cultural repository are maintained in a proper way.

The Principal Secretary expressed optimism about the role of SPS Museum in fostering a sense of pride and identity among the people of Jammu and Kashmir. The museum, he maintained, could serve as a bridge connecting the past

with the present, fostering a deeper appreciation for the region's cultural diversity.

He also visited the Shergarhi Complex Srinagar i.e. Art Museum, Archives Repository Srinagar and Art Gallery which has been proposed to be converted into a Toy Museum. He examined various archival records housed in the Archives Repository Srinagar and also interacted with the research scholars regarding the facilities being provided by the department.

The Principal Secretary also took stock of various revival and renovation works during the visit.

# Youth registered on MyGov App for Quiz competition on Road Safety

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: As a part of ongoing Road Safety Month a special drive was conducted on Thursday by the Motor Vehicle Department to register the Youth on MyGov application for online road safety quiz.

More than 100 youth participated and provided digital certificates for participation, which were generated on the spot. The Drive was conducted on the directions of Pankaj Bhagotra, Regional Transport Officer, Jammu and over all supervision of Rajinder Singh Tara, Transport Commissioner; J&K and Neeraj Kumar; Administrative Secretary to Government, Transport Department, J&K. Moreover, the participants were also educated about the importance of



MVD officials and others taking pledge at a programme.

observing road traffic rules/regulations to minimize road mishaps and save precious lives.

Besides, all the participants along with the officials/officers of the Motor Vehicles Department were administered an oath of safe driving and promoting safe road culture. The participants were shown videos

on road safety and Good Samaritan.

The event concluded with a pledge taking ceremony in the Regional Transport Office, Jammu. Those who attended include Rehana Tabassam, ARTO (HQRS), Esha Chib, ARTO, BOI (Goods), Kuldeep Singh, ARTO (Passenger), Surinder Kumar, MVI.

# Secy Cooperative conducts surprise inspection of Super Bazaar Jammu



Secretary, Cooperative Department, Babila Rakwal during visit to Super Bazar Jammu.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Secretary, Cooperative Department, Babila Rakwal, on Thursday paid a surprise visit to Jammu Cooperative Wholesale Limited, Super Bazar and medical shops of Super Bazar at Government Medical College, Bakshi Nagar and

SMGS Hospital, Shalamar, Jammu. Registrar Cooperatives Societies, J&K, Mohammad Shafiq Chak besides other officers accompanied the Secretary. During her visit to medical shops, she instructed the concerned officers to create awareness among the general

public about fair price medical shops of Super Bazar wherein medicines are available 24x7 at discounted rates. She also visited the Super Bazar outlet at Gole Market, Gandhi Nagar. While visiting Super Bazar Jammu, the Secretary inspected all the sections and directed the staff to work out strategies

to further increase the sales through expansive promotional activities on all platforms. In order to encourage entrepreneurship in the Cooperative sector, the Secretary laid emphasis on promotion of products of different Cooperative Societies of the Union Territory.

The Secretary also directed the staff to initiate the process for installation of solar panels at Super Bazar Complex, City Chowk. Additional Registrar Cooperative Societies, Jammu, Champa Devi, Joint Registrar Special, Jammu Administrator, Super Bazar; Deputy Registrar Cooperative Societies, Jammu, General Manager, Super Bazar; Jammu and Senior Auditor; Cooperative Societies, Jammu were also present on the occasion.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: The J&K Forest Department has chalked out an ambitious programme to conduct massive plantation drives involving PRI representatives, local people, NGOs, school children, NCC & NSS cadets, Paryavaran/Van Mitras, Eco guides, Paramilitary forces and other stakeholders, around all the Gram Panchayats/villages and Urban Local Bodies on the eve of Republic Day celebration-2024.

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Roshan Jaggi on Thursday convened a high level meeting at Forest Headquarter, FRMC

Building Jammu in which the senior officers of Forest & allied wings participated. The Conservator and DFO level officers from all districts were also present during the stock taking meeting.

It was decided that in all the 20 districts, the Forest Department shall organize programs of plantation drives, plastic free drives in forests, green marches, debates, symposiums and other awareness creation activities to mark the occasion. It was also decided that special ceremonial plantation and awareness programs shall be organized near Amrit Sarovars and other water bodies,

river banks and other iconic places along with the flag hoisting at different establishments of the department. Awareness activities shall be organized involving educational institutions, Para-military forces and Government departments.

Special plant distribution drives shall be organized in the Urban Local Bodies and in Gram Panchayats under different flagship Programs like HarGoonHaryali, Ped Lagye in Beti Ke Naam, One Village One Beat Guard Program, Van Se Jal, Jal Se Jeevan etc. The main buildings of the department shall be illuminated in the evening. It is

pertinent to mention here that the department has a target of planting 175 lakh plants & adoption of low cost greening interventions upto 90 lakh during 2023-24 under "Green JK Drive". The Department has been laying emphasis on innovative schemes like Van Se Jal, Jal Se Jeevan to enhance ground water recharge for enhancing productivity.

The PCCF (HoFF) on this occasion reviewed the district-wise preparedness and issued directions for active participation of the field staff in different events shortlisted for the celebration of Republic Day, 2024.