

# J&K Sports Council's Major Sports events in 2023



67th National School Games in Football and Volleyball at Bakshi Stadium Srinagar

Athletes of J&K Rakesh and Sarita won India's first Ever Gold at Para Archery World Championship. The duo defeated Brazil's Charao & Gogel in the GMM of Compound Open Mixed Doubles team event to clinch the title. This is the historic Gold for India.

Wushu contingent participated in Moscow Wushu Stars held at Moscow from 2nd to 8th May 2023. Bhanu Partap Singh, Abhishek Jamwal and Jiya secured 03 Gold Medals respectively, Aman Singh secured Silver and Priyanshu Singh secured Bronze medal.

Youth participation in sports activities has grown significantly throughout UT of J&K over the past two years. Under the slogan "My Youth My Pride," "Har Din Khel Har Ek ke Liye Khel," "Nasha Mukht Bharat Abhiyan," "Azadi ka Amrit Mahaotsav," "Jan Abhiyan," "Calendar of Sports Associations," and "Regular Coaching Programmes," 53 lakh youth participated in various sports events held at the Panchayat, Block, District, UT, and national levels.

The Khelo India State Centre of Excellence in Fencing and Rowing Discipline is located in the UT'S capital cities and promoting excellence in sports through the use of employees hired through the scheme.

Athletes are taking use of the 91 functional against 100 Small Khelo India Centres that have been established at the District level throughout UT.

18 National level Competitions in 13 Sports Disciplines (Chess, Rowing, Table Tennis, Badminton, Pencak Silat, Wushu, Volleyball, Tennis Ball Cricket, Rollball, Sqay, Curling, Bandy, Snowminton and Winter Sports) and 01 International Competition in Pencak Silat discipline organised in J&K during 2022-23. Whereas 07 National level competitions in 07 sports disciplines (Handball, Arm Wrestling, Thang-Ta, Athletics (North Zone) Tennis-Ball Cricket, Softball and Cricket) organized in J&K during 2023-24 (till 06.12.2023), which provided platform to the Youth of J&K for showcasing their talent and gave peace message to the World as well as the States / UT's of the Country. This is the best performance in J&K in terms of hosting National Championships.

2nd Khelo India Winter Games was held at Gulmarg, Kashmir from 26th February to 02nd March, 2021 in which 1375 athletes from 27 States / UT's have participated in which J&K secured 18 Gold, 05 Silver & 34 Bronze medals and took first place in the medal count. Whereas, 3rd Khelo India Winter Games attracted 1500 athletes from 32 States and UT'S, were successfully held in Gulmarg from 10th to 14th February 2023, J&K secured 26 Gold, 25 Silver and 25 Bronze medals and remained first in medal tally.

**Medal Tally: -**

\* Due to the availability of indoor and outdoor facilities, J&K athletes have performed admirably at national and international competitions in 2022-23. The athletes won 262 Gold, 228 Silver, & 304 Bronze Medals at the National level & 05 Gold, 02 Silver, & 17 Bronze medals at the International Level in the financial year 2022-23. Whereas, the athletes won 36 Gold, 34 Silver and 47 Bronze medals at National level and 06 Gold, 03 Silver and 04 Bronze medals International level in current financial year (till 06.12.2023).

\* Due to the installation of high mass lights, evening sporting activities received a lot of encouragement, sparking intense enthusiasm among young people and attracting spectator attention. The Tulibal Sopore Khushal Stadium is a beautiful example, where the community football event with high mass lights drew more than 20,000 young people for the Industrial Football Cup final. The Srinagar District's Downtown area, where people play a variety of games until mid-night beneath high mass lights, community activities have had the most success.

\* 30,000 number of sports persons represented J&K in National / Zonal level Competitions in the discipline of Athletics, Archery, Arm Wrestling, Badminton, Basketball, Ball Badminton, Boxing, Body Building, Chess, Cycle Polo, Cycling, Carrom, Football, Fencing, Gymnastics, Hockey, Handball, Judo, Kabaddi, Kho-Kho, Kayaking & Canoeing, Sport Climbing, Netball, Power lifting, Roller Skating, Squash, Swimming, Softball, Table Tennis, Tenni koit, Tennis-ball Cricket, Thang-Ta, Volleyball, Veteran Athletics, Weightlifting, Wrestling, Skiing, Wushu, Yogaana, Deaf Sports, Baseball, Rugby, Rifle, Roll Ball, Soft Tennis, Pencak Silat, Rowing, Kick Boxing, Sqay Martial Art, Ju-Jitsu, Kalaripayattu, Shooting Ball, Rope Skipping, Silambam, Tennis Volleyball, Gatka, Tug-of-War, Mallakhamb, Arnis, Modern Penthalon, Ice Stock, Para Sports, Ice Skating, and Curling during 2022-23 and 2023-24 (till 01.12.2023).

\* Two sportsmen have competed for country in recognized international competitions in the discipline of Gymnastics, Fencing, Wushu, Sports Climbing, Pencak Silat, Water Sports, Para sports, Judo, Chess, Veteran Athletics and roller skating for current financial year. Whereas, 43 Sportsmen have competed for country in recognized international competitions in the discipline of Wushu, Rollball, Roller-skating, Gymnastics, Fencing, Para Archery, Tennikoit, Rifle Shooting and Sports Climbing for current financial year (till 06.12.2023).

**Under PMDP Scheme,** 08 Junior Coach and 20 Instructor have been engaged on contractual basis to enrolled in the centres to make judicial use of infrastructure. With this recruitment, 25000 athletes across UT will be beneficiary on daily basis and will sustain source of income to the trainers. Further, advertisement notification for recruitment of 31 instructors and Junior Coach has been issued to make utility of sports infrastructure developed across UT.

Due to the creation of a significant hub of sporting facilities in the UT of J&K, attendance of trainees at both outdoor and indoor fields and stadiums has increased significantly.

In the UT of J&K, multisport synthetic turfs have been installed in the sports of volleyball, football, athletics, and hockey, with the potential to elevate J&K youth to the Asian / Olympic podium.

**For in-service athletes, LG's Rolling Trophy in multisport disciplines has been institutionalized to give tension free atmosphere to the in-service athletes.**

By installing equipment across 20 districts, five volleyball centres per district, 100 volleyball courts were made operational. Centres for Water Sports, Fencing and Wushu have been created in Basohli Kathua, Jammu and Srinagar.

To promote sports, yoga parks for athletes and senior persons with health programmes have been created.

There are 02 new tennis courts at M.A. Stadium in Jammu for the budding youth to get acquainted with basic sports facilities. To give the youth in rural, border, and community areas access to the most basic amenities and help them focus their energies in productive ways, 3696 Panchayat-level fields have been built.

**Information about projects finished during the year 2022-23 and 2023-24 (till 06.12.2023):**

In total, 309 projects, including the following, were finished and delivered during the year:

- a) Total of 06 projects under the PMDP Scheme were completed, including the Bakshi Stadium in Srinagar's sports facilities, the Multipurpose Indoor Sports Hall in Allahibagh, Handwara, Qoinoh Kulgam, and Doda.
- b) Two projects, namely the construction of synthetic hockey turf at Pologround Srinagar and the construction of synthetic hockey turf at K.K. Hakku Stadium Jammu, were finished as part of the Khelo India Scheme.
- c) 82 projects, including 18 lighting projects, were finished under the JKIDFC.
- d) 198 projects in the Capex Budget for 2022-23 were completed.



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Synthetic Hockey turf at Pologround, Srinagar and K.K. Hakku Stadium, Jammu

## 400 bags of un-registered fertilizers seized at Kulgam

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

SRINAGAR: A squad of the enforcement wing of the Agriculture Department on Tuesday, led by Director Agriculture Kashmir Chowdhury Mohammad Iqbal on a specific lead, on Tuesday conducted surprise inspection of a number of fertilizer, pesticide dealers (shops, godowns) at many places in the district.

During the early morning inspection enforcement team seized 400 bags of Un-registered fertilizers from ladgool kulgam. The entire quantity was seized and the legal formalities were initiated.

Speaking to the media persons Director Agriculture said that the department is committed to safeguard the interest of the farming community.

He said that the department is utilizing all its resources and man-power to ensure that only the genuine inputs (fertilizer, insecticides, pesticides, seeds etc.) reaches the farming community of the region. Director Agriculture said that any violation of insecticides act 1968, fertilizer control order 1985 will not be tolerated and action according to established law

would be initiated against the erring parties.

Director Agriculture said that it is the moral responsibility of every individual in the society to work against menace of spurious, sub-standard inputs. He appreciated the farmers who cooperate with the department and provided their active contribution against the spread of this menace in Kashmir division. He asked people to inform the officers of the agriculture department in case they find any spurious, sub-standard inputs in their areas.

Pertinently, the district monitoring teams headed by concerned enforcement officers and internal vigilance teams at directorate of agriculture Kashmir to check and monitor the movement, distribution, supply and stock position of different inputs including fertilizers.

Director Agriculture said that the valley wide inspection drive will continue in coming days and it will be ensured that only the quality, genuine inputs including fertilizers reaches the farming community of Kashmir division.

## Kundian, Pathroo villages of Keran illuminate with first grid connectivity

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

KUPWARA: Kundian and Pathroo villages of border block Keran in Kupwara district got first time grid connectivity today. In this regard, an e-inauguration ceremony was organized by the District Administration Kupwara here on Tuesday in the Mini Meeting Hall of D.C Office Complex Kupwara during which the Divisional Commissioner Kashmir, Vijay Kumar Bidhuri e-inaugurated the electrification of these 2

villages. Deputy Commissioner Kupwara, Ms. Ayushi Sudan; JD Planning, Executive Engineer KPDCL Kupwara, BDC Chairperson Keran and PRIs of from Keran area were present on the occasion.

During the e-inauguration, the Divisional Commissioner virtually interacted with the BDC Chairperson Keran and PRIs and congratulated them for getting the electricity in 2 villages of border block Keran adding that it is a big achievement in itself.

## Tariq Zargar inspects development projects at Balhama, Khanmoh

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

SRINAGAR: Secretary in Rural Development Department (RDD), Tariq Ahmad Zargar, on Tuesday undertook a comprehensive inspection of various development projects in Balhama and Khanmoh.

Tariq Zargar, accompanied by Assistant Commissioner Development Srinagar and Block Development Officer Khanmoh, inspected the

Community Sanitary Complexes at Bala Devi Mandir and Government Higher Secondary School Balhama.

During his visit to Khanmoh, Secretary in RDD took stock of Amrit Sarovar at the Industrial Estate. He directed the concerned for improvement in drainage infrastructure at the Amrit Sarovar, highlighting the focus on environmental con-

siderations. He emphasized the importance of sustainable development in the region.

Tariq Zargar also inspected work on an additional room being constructed at Panchayat Ghar Khanmoh-A under RGSa scheme.

Later, the officers visited the Segregation Shed at Khanmoh-B and inspected the waste management status there.

Earlier, the Executive Engineer KPDCL division Kupwara informed that 2 villages of block Keran including Kundian and Pathroo have been connected with grid supply under Samirldh Seema Yojana for the first time since the Independence of the country. Earlier, these villages were getting the power supply from DG Set. Around 550 souls of Kundian and 750 souls of Pathroo village will get benefited from the new grid supply.

## VBSY resonates across Pulwama, elevating beneficiary impact

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

PULWAMA: Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra, a transformative journey that commenced on November 25, 2023, has triumphantly progressed on Tuesday through Pulwama District, leaving an indelible mark on both urban and rural landscapes. The Yatra, committed to the holistic development of the region, meticulously covered the panchayats and urban areas, ensuring the saturation of beneficiary-oriented schemes.

The latest milestone in the Yatra's expedition is its profound reach into the villages of Pulwama District, underscoring an unwavering commitment to inclusivity. Through a strategic deployment of Information, Education, and Communication (IEC) vans, the Yatra facilitated the dissemination of crucial information, traversing the length and breadth of the District. These vans, serving as mobile conduits of knowledge, carried the message of the Hon'ble Prime Minister, fostering awareness and connectivity among the residents.

The essence of Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra lies in reaching the last person in the mile, ensuring that every individual benefits from the various schemes of the Government. The mission of this Yatra has not been merely geographical; it has been about touching lives and embodying the spirit of development.

Highlighting the commitment to transparency and engagement, today's events included the recitation of the Sankalp Pledge by participants who pledged to become ambassadors of the Prime Minister's vision. Attendees were also treated to a recorded message from the Hon'ble Prime Minister, emphasizing the importance of collective progress for Viksit Bharat.

The Yatra, aptly named, has lived up to its promise of fostering a developed region. The residents of Pulwama have embraced the Yatra's objectives, actively participating in events and expressing their dedication to incorporating the Prime Minister's message into their lives. As the Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra continues its journey, it leaves in its wake a strengthened resolve among the people of Pulwama to actively contribute to the ongoing narrative of a developed and progressive Nation.