

# Advisor Khan declares open 27th National Thang-Ta Championship

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JAMMU: Advisor to Lieutenant Governor, Farooq Khan on Saturday declared open the 27th National Thang-Ta Championship here at MA Stadium.

On the occasion the Advisor expressed his elation that the game has taken birth in India and is getting famous not only in the country but throughout the world. He said that Manipur, where the sport originated has produced world class Martial Art players who had popularised it by their sheer talent.

Advisor Khan also showed his confidence that the game is spreading across Indian borders at a fast pace and he



Advisor, Farooq Khan interacting with J&K players.

expects that in future it would become part of Olympic games and Indian nationals are going to win medals for their nation. Moreover the Advisor wel-

comed all the players and their coaches who are participating in this national event. He offers his gratitude to the Thang-Ta Federation of India for choosing J&K as the

venue for holding this championship here.

He maintained that other national associations are also going to hold their respective events here using the world class sports infrastructure raised here from past couple of years. He said that the way new sports stadia are coming up along the length and breadth of the UT is going to produce world class players from here as well.

The Secretary, Sports Council, Nuzhat Gul while formally welcoming all the participants encouraged them to play their game well displaying all their capabilities. She said that playing the game in its true spirit is more

important than winning the game. She promised them that the Sports Council would do everything to make both their stay and sports memorable.

The attractions of the opening ceremony were blind sword demonstration, sword fight demonstration by national level Martial Art players. The audience remained spell bound by their skilful performances thus opening the games with fanfare.

It was said that more than 1000 players from 24 states/UTs of the nation are participating in the National Championship, taking place for the next 4 days.

## Kashmir Corporate Cricket League inaugurated at SK-Stadium

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SRINAGAR: The Deputy Commissioner Srinagar, Mohammad Aijaz Asad on Saturday inaugurated Kashmir Corporate Cricket League tournament launched by HDFC Bank here at Sonwar Cricket Stadium to promote sport spirit in the District and give young and promising talents from Corporate Houses and Government Institutions an opportunity to come together for the cause of sports.

Senior Vice President HDFC Bank and Circle Head, Kashmir, Ifikhar Ahmed was also present on the occasion.

The players of 8 teams of various Government and Corporate Offices including the teams of District Administration Srinagar, Civil Secretariat, Government Medical College, Regional Passport Office, Sher-i-Kashmir Institute of Medical Sciences, Lower Court and host HDFC Bank are participating in the event.

After inaugurating the tournament, the Deputy Commissioner interacted with the participant players and urged them to enthusiastically participate in sports activities apart from their day to day official tasks for their physical and mental health.

On the inaugural day two matches were played, one between HDFC Bank and JKEDI, while the 2nd match was played between SKIMS and New Secretariat.

Commenting on the launch of the Corporate Cricket League, Ifikhar Ahmed, said that for the first time HDFC Bank will be hosting a cricket tournament at this scale. He said the bank has always been a pioneer in improving the quality of life in the communities and Cricket can help youth connect with the Banking Sector positively.

## J&K Kick-boxing team leaves for Pune



J&K Kick Boxing team posing with JKSC officials at MA Stadium, Jammu.

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JAMMU: The J&K Kick Boxing team on Saturday left for participation in the WAKO India Cadets and Juniors National Kickboxing Championship 2021 to be held at Pune in Maharashtra from December 21 to 25.

The event is being organized by Amature Sports Kick Boxing Association of Maharashtra under the aegis of WAKO India Kickboxing Federation.

Earlier, the selected team underwent screening con-

ducted by the J&K Sports Council (JKSC) officials at MA Stadium, here today.

The team was introduced with the screening committee members by general secretary of the Kick Boxing Association of J&K, Abhishek Jain and coaches, Fasil Ali and Irfan Choudhary.

The team led by contingent head, Abhishek Jain and accompanied by coach Fasil Ali and Irfan Choudhary.

The Team: Ahmad Faraz, Sheikh Usman, Mohammad

Mohtashim Wani, Amaan Showkat, Syed Mohammad Nazim, Umar Ali Sofi, Mohammad Hazim Rather, Fazil Ahmad Wani, Saniya Shabir Bhat, Najh-ul-Nissa, Tahira Inayat, Fiza Farooq, Owais Bilal Wani, Zainab Mushtaq, Ubair Bin Nazir, Janvi Jamwal, Mehak Jamwal, Agriya Sharma, Arun Mehra, Nitish Singh, Danish Sharma, Monish Singhalag, Shivansh sharma, Rahul Bagal, Rajveer Singh, Atul, Abhimanvi Sharma, Manik Kumar and Syed Ali.

## Rana expresses concern over power breakdown in Jammu, seeks earnest measures to resolve issues

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JAMMU: BJP leader and former legislator Mr Devender Singh Rana today expressed concern over many parts of the Jammu City as also peripheries plunging into darkness and urged the administration to take earnest measures in resolving the issues with the striking employees, especially during these chilly days.

In a statement, Devender Singh Rana said the administration must open channels for talks with the striking employees, listen to their grievances and find out ways and means in

resolving the issues in the larger public interest. He hoped that all concerned will act responsibly as the stakes are very high, not only in terms of restoring electricity in the affected areas but also to ensure that students do not suffer as they are solely dependent on online classes and examinations. Failure in power supply is impacting the internet services, he added.

"An extraordinary situation has arisen due to the stalemate between the concerned department and the protesting employees, with the people making frantic

calls for restoration of power supply", he said, adding that power failure has led to halt in drinking water supply in many areas.

"Employees too must rise to the occasion and not make the general public suffer. Amicable solution will provide succour to all the stakeholders", he said, adding that the people cannot be held ransom.

Rana made a passionate appeal to the administration to intervene, resolve the crisis arising out of the tool-down by the Power Development Department employees, and address their genuine concerns.

## DYSS holds cycle rally at Zone Ghordi

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JAMMU: Department of Youth Services and Sports (DYSS) on Saturday organised a cycle rally at Zone Ghordi involving young students and staff members.

The rally from HSS Ghordi to Sangetar was organised under the guidance of Incharge Zonal Physical Education Officer (ZPEO), Yashpaul Sharma. Earlier, the rally was flagged off by Naib Tehsildar, Ram Kumar in the presence of Sarpanch,



Participants of cycle rally along with officials.

Bharat Bushan and Principal Government

Higher Secondary School, Ghordi, Vidhotma Gupta.

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JAMMU: Kashi Mahajan, a student of Delhi Public School (DPS), Katra brought laurels to the school by securing first position in online and offline Debate competition held by District Police Reasi.

The topic of debate was 'Police should prevent drug abuse By community policy and counselling of addicts'.

Kashi Mahajan secured first position by defeating students of other schools that fall under Reasi Zone.

Chairman DPS Katra, Ajatshatru Singh congratulat-



Kashi Mahajan of DPS Katra receiving award from the Chief Guest.

ed the student for her achievement and advised other students to participate in such

events in future that will help them to harness their talent for all round development.

Trustee Ritu Singh also congratulated the student for her performance and wished her

all success for future endeavours.

Pro Vice Chairman, S.S Sodhi lauded the performance of the student and wished her a great success in the years to come. Principal DPS Katra, Manikarnika Sharma congratulated the student on her prodigious performance and wished her all the very best for her future.

Simmi Sharma, Manager Operations, Madhu Sharma, Dy. Headmistress and other faculty members also congratulated the student for her remarkable performance.

## President, members IASOWA distribute stationary, sports goods among school children

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JAMMU: The IAS Officers Wives Association (IASOWA) on Saturday distributed stationary and sports equipment among the students at Government Middle School, Dodhi Gujjar Colony, Channi here.

On the occasion the president IASOWA, Amita Mehta encouraged the students to chase their dreams wholeheartedly as there are no limits for success to hardworking and dedicated students. She also impressed upon them to use the available infrastructure and opportunities fully to be where they want to be in their lives.

She congratulated both the students and the teachers for learning and seeking music and art.

Amita Mehta also lauded the efforts of the school for motivating students to pursue their dreams and providing them the neces-

sary platform to chisel it to perfection. On the occasion the students of the middle school performed dance and singing event that was lauded by all those present there.

Later the members went through classrooms and labs of the school besides distributing stationary, books and sports goods among the students.

Other members of IASOWA who were present or spoke on the occasion includes Shveta Kansal, Sapna Aggarwal, Jayshree, Jyoti Niraj Chauhan, Rajni and Ruchi.

Joint Director School Education, Jammu, H.R Pakhroo; Chief Education Officer, Jammu, Suraj Singh Rathore; Dy.CEO, Jammu Devinder Singh Manhas; ZEO Purmandal, Thakar Chand; teachers and other officials of the department were also present on this occasion.



President IASOWA, Amita Mehta and others posing with students.

## GDCW Kathua felicitates volleyball players



GDCW Kathua faculty honouring volleyball players.

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KATHUA: A function was organized in the premises of Government Degree College for Women, Kathua to felicitate the players, who were part of the 33rd

JK UT Junior Volleyball Championship organised by Volleyball Association of Jammu and Kashmir in Jammu recently.

Sapna Devi and Asha Devi student of B.A 1st

## YCET organises webinar on ‘Semiconductors & their Innovation in Technology’

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JAMMU: The Department of Applied Sciences of Yogananda College of Engineering and Technology (YCET) under IIC Cell on Saturday organized webinar by the resource person Dr. Sandeep Arya, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics, University of Jammu, on the topic 'Semiconductors and their Innovation in Technology'.

In his talk, he discussed about current scenario of semiconductors and their innovation in technology across the globe. He added that the Government of India recently approved a Rs 76,000 crore scheme to boost semiconductor and display manufacturing in the country to position India as a global hub for

hi-tech production, and attract large chip makers.

This initiative would further move India's ambition to be self-reliant in electronics manufacturing, bring massive investments which results in 35,000 specialized jobs apart from indirect employment for one lakh people, he added. The webinar was commenced with a welcome speech by Rohit Gupta, Coordinator, Applied Sciences Department.

Prof. ( Dr.) A. K. Srivastava, Director YCET motivated the students and said that manufacturing semiconductor devices which are used in microprocessors, computers etc is very costly and requires highly sophisticated R&D, wafer fabrica-

tion and burning process and therefore many specialized companies join hands to complete the process.

Adding baseline to session, Dr. Rakesh Verma, HoD (Applied Sciences), added 'the exposure to knowledge and modern trends proved many folds beneficial for the students who took this opportunity in the fullest to gain learnings from the speaker. Er Dinesh Gupta, Dean Academics and President of IIC cell, all HODs and other faculty members were also present in the session.

The vote of thanks was presented by Vaishali Sharma. The event was co-ordinated by Rohit Gupta, Er. Robin Kumar and Er. Neeraj Kumar.

## DYSS's trekking camp at Surinsar enters 3rd day



Participants of trekking camp posing for a photograph with officials.

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JAMMU: The ongoing trekking camp, organised by Department of Youth Services and Sports (DYSS) for Gandhi Nagar zone students, entered third day on Saturday at beautiful

Surinsar.

Starting their day with a warm-up session, yoga and morning prayers, students encampment towards Shyam Ashram, a place 3.5 kms away from the base camp. The Trekkers came across

the bucolic life of local populace, who were very hospitable.

On return, the trekkers enjoyed some adventurous activities like Zip Lining, Burma Bridge and Dodging at the Amusement Park.

## District Baramullah Shootingball Championship concludes



Winners posing for a photograph with officials.

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SOPORE: The two days District Baramullah Shootingball Championship 2021 organized by District Baramullah Shootingball Association in collaboration with J&K Shootingball Association under the aegis of J&K Sports Council concluded at Subhana Stadium, here on Saturday.

More than 120 participants of different institutions, colleges and clubs under the age category of Sub-Junior, Junior and Senior Men/Women took part in the championship.

Principal, Government Boys Higher

Secondary School, Sopore, Abdul Rashid was the Chief Guest while SHO Sopore, Khalid Riyaz was the Guest of Honour on the occasion, who congratulated all participants in general and winners and runners in particular. Game Changers (Men) & Amirs's Club (Women) won the finals in senior category while Sopore Hawks in Junior Boys and Sopore Champs lift the title in Junior Girls category. Two top teams are participating in upcoming J&K Championship scheduled to be held at Srinagar next month. The championship was conducted under the supervision of Ulfat Mushtaq.