

Third win in row for J&K boys in Junior National Volleyball



J&K Boys Volleyball team posing with officials after winning the match.

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JAMMU: Continuing their winning streak, J&K boys defeated Telangana 3-1 (25-21, 20-25, 25-08, 25-00) in the ongoing 47th Junior National Volleyball Championship at Burdwan in West Bengal.

As per the reports reaching here, J&K won the opening set 25-21 and in the second Telangana bounced back 25-20. Continuing their superb performance, J&K won third set easily 25-08 and fourth 25-00 to make it a 3-1 win.

From J&K, Manhat

Chowdhary, Kanahaiya, Haroon Rashid, Musharaf Khan were phenomenal as they played a brilliant game and scored bulk of points.

Earlier, in the opening match, J&K outplayed Puducherry by 3-0 (25-17, 25-23, 25-19) and in second league match, J&K defeated Maharashtra in straight 3-0 (25-21, 26-24, 25-18) sets.

Placed in group-D, J&K shall take on Bihar, Rajasthan and Gujarat in their remaining three league matches.

In all, 54 teams (28 of

boys and 26 of girls) drawn from different states and Union Territories are taking part in this competition.

The J&K boys team is being accompanied by coach Anil Kumar and manager Muddasir Ahmad Dar.

Meanwhile, Chief Patron Volleyball Association of J&K (VAJK), Raj Daluja, President, Sidharth Daluja and other office bearers sent good wishes for the J&K team in the upcoming matches and congratulated the team management for the performance.

Kabaddi trials from Jan 2

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JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Amateur Kabaddi Association shall hold selection trials for the upcoming 68th Senior National (women) Kabaddi Championship slated to be held at Parbhani in Maharashtra from January 16 to January 18.

"The three-day selection process shall take place at Kabaddi Fields, MA Stadium, here from January two from 4 pm onwards. The eligibility for the participants shall be 75 kg and below body weight," informed general secretary of the Association, Surinder Mohan.

Further, he asked all the affiliated districts and clubs to send those registered players for trials. Players need to bring along two passport size photographs, two photocopies of their Aadhar Card, Amateur Kabaddi Federation of India (AKFI) registration Card, two photocopies domicile certificate of J&K and medical fitness certificate along with negative report of Covid Test. "Players not registered with the AKFI will not be entertained for the selection process," added the general secretary.

Yudhvir flags-off childrens tour for national level tournament



J&K BJP Vice President, Yudhvir Sethi along with players and officials during flagging-off ceremony.

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JAMMU: J&K BJP Vice President, Yudhvir Sethi on Monday flagged off a tour of children for participation in the national level tournament in Mathura, Uttar Pradesh.

Speaking on the occasion, Yudhvir Sethi complemented the Youth Games Development Federation of India for taking children from various parts of Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory to Uttar Pradesh, giving exposure to them. He said such tour introducing the children to the diverse cultures, traditions and educational practices in other parts of the country.

Students from various parts of Jammu and

Kashmir region like Rajouri, Samba, Poonch, Kathua, Ramban, Akhnor, Jaurian and Srinagar are participating in the tournament.

"Through this programme, children will get an opportunity to visit monuments and places of historical and cultural significance. It is a

great opportunity for these children and the unique feature of unity in diversity of great nations like India. Such tours expose children to different cultures and areas of the country and go a long way in their overall personality development," Sethi said.

The senior BJP leader said that organizations like Youth Games Development Federation of India playing vital role in the overall development of Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory. He asserted the BJP Government has launched several programmes and policies for the welfare of youth of the country.

Sethi also complemented Sweety Joshi, State Secretary and Joint Secretary, Rajesh Verma for their vital role in preparing and training the children of the Union Territory for national level tournament.

State Secretary, Sweety Joshi and Joint Secretary, Rajesh Verma were also present on the occasion and also accompanied the children.

ADGP Security felicitates Rajesh Anand for winning Gold Medal



ADGP Security J&K, Dr. S.D Singh Jamwal felicitating Inspector Rajesh Anand.

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JAMMU: Additional Director General of Police Security J&K, Dr. S.D Singh Jamwal on Monday felicitated Inspector Rajesh Anand J&K ace Roller Hockey Player (State & Sher-E-Kashmir Awardee) of J&K Police (presently posted in Security Jammu) former captain India Roller Hockey Team, for winning Gold Medal at 59th National Roller Hockey Championship held at Mohali, Punjab from 11th to 22nd December-2021. While congratulating the officer, Dr. S.D Singh Jamwal hailed the hard work and dedication of J&K Roller Hockey Masters Team for winning Gold Medal (National Champion) for 3rd consecutive year for J&K UT Roller Hockey Team and hoped that the team shall earn more honor for UT J&K as well as J&K Police. Swarn Singh Kotwal, SSP Security Central Pool Jammu and Ranjit Singh Sambyal, SSP (Tech) Security were also present during the felicitation function held at Security Headquarters, Sidhra Jammu. SSP Security Jammu, Swarn Singh Kotwal also congratulated the officer and his team members for the great achievement.

NYK Udhampur organises Block Level Sports Meet

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UDHAMPUR: Nehru Yuva Kendra (NYK) Udhampur organised two days Block Level Sports Meet at Block Chenani under the supervision of Khushal Gupta, District Youth Officer NYK Udhampur, which concluded on Monday. Nehru Yuva Volunteers Jyoti Sharma and Shailu Devi were the organisers of the entire event.

Chairman of Municipal Committee Chenani, Manik Gupta was the Chief Guest and ZPEO



Chief Guest presenting trophy to a winner.

Chenani, Vikram Singh was the Guest of Honour on the occasion. In this tournament,

Youth Clubs, Mahila Mandals and local youth from Chenani Block participated in different

sports activities like Kabbadi, Volleyball, Racing, Long Jump, Badminton etc.

At the end, Manik Gupta and Vikram Singh distributed prizes among winners.

GDC Chennai won Kabbadi and Matlowah B bagged Volleyball trophy while Racing was won by Rahul Singh in boys team and Arti Katoch in girls team.

In long jump, first position was secured by Chanehla in girls and Rahul Singh in boys team.

Haryana emerges winner in XIth Senior National Kurash Championship



Mayor, Chander Mohan Gupta along with participants and officials during closing ceremony.

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JAMMU: Haryana emerged winner while Delhi declared first runner-up and Jammu and Kashmir remained as second runner-up in the

XIth Senior National Kurash Championship 2021-22 hosted by J&K Kurash Association (JKKA) at Indoor Sports Stadium, Bhagwati Nagar,

on Monday.

In the closing ceremony, Mayor, Jammu Municipal Corporation, Chander Mohan Gupta was the Chief Guest, who gave away trophies to winner and runner-up teams.

Prominent among present were Dr. Sandeep Singh President JKKA, Dr. Seema General Secretary JKKA, Rohit Gupta Treasurer JKKA, Shashi Balgotra Vice President, Vipul Gupta Joint Secretary and Rajinder Sharma. Vikas Dogra, Incharge Indoor Stadium Bhagwati Nagar was also present.

JKCA gives 100 balls to Sports Council coach

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JAMMU: The J&K Cricket Association (JKCA) on Monday came to the rescue of one of the most dedicated cricket coach in J&K, Randhir Singh and presented him with 100 balls so as to facilitate his efforts to groom and produce talented cricketers. Randhir, who takes his coaching classes from Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC) ground at Parade, was appreciated by the JKCA Sub-Committee members for his selfless efforts in producing talented cricketers in J&K. The first pack of balls was handed over to Randhir Singh by member (Administration) Brig. (Retired), Anil Gupta in the presence of Ashwani Gupta (member CAC), Sandeep Singh and Sanjeev Sharma (Head Coach). Important to mention here senior most cricket coach of Sports Council got disturbed after the renovation and up gradation of the MA Stadium, Jammu. Left with no other option, he moved to Parade Ground, which is managed by the JMC.



Member JKCA (Administration) Brig. (Retired), Anil Gupta handing-over balls to Randhir Singh.

Shaurya of DPS Jammu wins gold in Taekwondo C'ship



Winner Shaurya of DPS Jammu after receiving gold medal.

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JAMMU: Shaurya Sharma, a class VI-D of Delhi Public School (DPS) Jammu, brought laurels to his school and his parents by winning gold medal and Certificate of Merit in U-12 category in 24th J&K UT ITF Taekwondo Championship-2021 organized by Ganesha Academy of Martial Arts from December 25 to 26, 2021.

Further, he is also selected to represent J&K in the National ITF Taekwondo Championship which is

scheduled to be held at Rishikesh from January 21 to 23, 2022.

Principal DPS Jammu, Ruchi Chhabra congratulated Shaurya and his parents for the glorious achievement. Headmistress, Meenu Gupta also encouraged him to continue to excel in sports and academic activities.

President RCT, Ajjatshatru Singh, Pro Vice Chairperson, Ritu Singh and Director, S.S Sodhi extended their best wishes to Shaurya.

Bharat Priye inaugurates Dr Basheshar Dutt Sharma Memorial Cricket tournament



Chief Guest, Congress leader Bharat Priye inaugurating tournament.

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JAMMU: Pargwal B XI beat Pargwal A XI in the opening match of the Dr Basheshar Dutt Sharma Memorial Cricket Tournament played on Monday at High Secondary School in Pargwal area of Chhamb Assembly Constituency.

Electing to bat first, Pargwal A scored 59 runs in 12 overs while Pargwal

B team chased the target with 4 overs remaining. Ajay Kumar was adjudged Man of the Match for Pargwal B for scoring 20 runs and taking two catches.

Earlier, the tournament was declared open by the chief guest, Bharat Priye, Congress leader, who said that the tournament is being organized on the name of his father Late Dr

Basheshar Dutt Sharma. More than 15 teams are participating in it.

Senior Congress leaders Ramesh Verma, Satpal Sharma, Chundi Lal Sharma, Sham Chaudhary, Banarasi Lal, Yashpal Singh, Vivek Singh, Police Post Incharge Pargwal Girdhari Lal and other members were present on the occasion.

U-19 Asia Cup Cricket 2021-22: India beats Afghanistan by 4 wickets, enters semis

■ AGENCY

DUBAI: A match-winning 65-run seventh-wicket stand between Raj Bawa and Kaushal Tambe ensured a fighting four-wicket victory for India over a gritty Afghanistan as they entered the semi-final of the U-19 Asia Cup tournament in Dubai on Monday. (More Cricket News)

Bawa (43 not out) and Tambe (35 not out) joined forces when India were in trouble at 197 for six but they kept calm to take the 'Boys in Blue' to their required 260-run target with 10 balls to spare.

This was after in-form opener Harnoor Pannu (65) and his partner Angkrish Raghuvanshi (35) added 104 for the opening stand. However, the middle-order caved in with skipper Yash Dull (26) and Nishant Sindhu (19) failing to convert starts. It was left to Bawa and Tambe to take the team home.

With this win, India we placed second in the group behind the Pakistan team, which won all its matches.

India will face the winners between Bangladesh and Sri Lanka, who are pitted against each other in the last group league encounter.

Put into bat at the ICC Academy - Oval 2 here, Afghanistan skipper Suliman Safi's patient 73

coupled with a blistering unbeaten 86 off 68 balls by Ijaz Ahmad Ahmadzai propelled Afghanistan to a respectable 259/4.

Chasing 260, Harnoor, who hit nine boundaries and Angkrish were off to a flyer as India raced to 44 for no loss in six overs.

SCOREBOARD

Afghanistan Under-19s Innings

Suliman Arabzai c Ravi Kumar b Bawa	18
Mohammad Ishaq † c Ravi Kumar b Ostwal	19
Allah Noor c Rasheed b Tambe	26
Suliman Safi (c) c Raghuvanshi b Hangargekar	73
Ijaz Ahmad Ahmadzai not out	86
Khaiber Wali not out	20
Extras	17
Total	259/4

India Under-19s Innings

Harnoor Singh llw b Noor Ahmad	65
Angkrish Raghuvanshi llw b Noor Ahmad	35
Shaik Rasheed llw b Bilal Sami	06
Yash Dhull (c) st † Mohammad Ishaq b Noor Ahmad	26
Nishant Sindhu c Ijaz Ahmad Ahmadzai b Khalel Ahmad	19
Raj Bawa not out	43
Aaradhiya Yadav † llw b Noor Ahmad	12
Kaushal Tambe not out	35
Extras	21
Total	262/6