

Under-23 Twenty20 Trophy

J&K women register 13 runs win over Odisha

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KOLKATA: Clinical Jammu and Kashmir defeated Odisha in a close contest by a margin of 13 runs as Chitra Singh Jamwal, Bawandeep Kaur, skipper Rudrakshi Chib and the bowlers sparked in the Women's U-23 T20 Trophy at Barasat Cricket Ground, Kolkata on Sunday.

Chasing a modest total of 117 runs, Odisha fell short of 13 runs to lose the match by a narrow margin.

Skipper Subhra Nirjharini top scored with 29 runs off 32 balls with three boundaries, while Kusum Tiriya contributed 25 runs to the total. Poojarani Das and Alipsa Biswal also contributed 17 and 10 runs to the total respectively.



J&K U-23 Women's T20 team posing with support staff after scripting victory over Odisha at Kolkata.

For J&K, Mariya Noorain and Arveen Riyaz took two wickets each, while Rudrakshi Chib, Ananaya Sharma and Chitra Singh Jamwal claimed one wicket each.

Earlier, winning the toss and

electing to bat first, J&K scored a modest total of 117 runs in the stipulated 20 overs, losing five wickets in the process. Talented top-order batter Chitra Singh Jamwal was the top scorer with unconquered 48

runs off 46 balls, studded with six delectable boundaries, while promising opening batter Bawandeep Kaur scored explosive 34 runs off 31 balls with five fours and one six. Skipper Rudrakshi Chib also con-

tributed 24 runs off 32 balls including two boundaries, while Sheena Saraf, Aditya Aryan and Ananaya Sharma were dismissed without scoring.

Suryasnata Swain, though slightly expensive, was the most successful bowler for Odisha, taking two wickets by conceding 30 runs in her four overs, while Subhra Nirjharini Swain and Sarada Mahanand claimed one wicket each.

The J&K team is being accompanied by Irshad Hassan as Manager, Meenu Singh Salathia as Head Coach, Anuradha Sharma as Co-Manager, Summayah Jan as Bowling Coach, Satika Sharma as Trainer, Mujtaba Wani as Video Analyst and Bisma Gulzar as Physiotherapist.

DC Doda presents appreciation certificate to PET Barinder

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DODA: Department of Youth Services and Sports District Doda organised Annual Sports Day of district Doda under the supervision of District Youth Services and Sports Officer Doda Jaffer Haider Sheikh in which Deputy Commissioner Doda Harvinder Singh was the Chief Guest and SSP Doda Abdul Qayoom was the Guest of Honour.

The Chief Guest congratulated DYSS Doda for providing excellent platform to the youth of Doda.

The Deputy Commissioner also presented Appreciation Certificate to Barinder Singh Manhas PET, National Referee and international player Sher-e-Kashmir Awardee for his outstanding performance in the



Barinder Singh Manhas PET receiving Appreciation Certificate from DC Doda.

field of Taekwondo by indulging the youth of Doda at national level in Taekwondo an Olympic martial art.

SSP Doda Abdul Qayoom also congratulated the DYSSO Doda Jaffer Haider Sheikh for organising Sports Day.

Doon International School celebrates 7th Annual Day



DIS faculty members and other dignitaries at Annual Day function.

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JAMMU: Doon International School (DIS) Jammu on Sunday celebrated its 7th Annual Day on theme "The Indomitable," 'Never Say Never'.

The Chief Guest for the event was Prof. Raj Nehru (Vice Chancellor Shri Vishwakarma Skill University Haryana) while the Special Guest was Dr.

Naseer Iqbal, Registrar Of the Islamic University of Science and Technology Awantipora.

The Guests of Honour were Kiran Wattal (Former Commissioner, Jammu Municipal Corporation) and Farooq Ahmed Khan (Deputy Secretary, Government of Jammu & Kashmir).

The Annual Day of DIS Jammu was a resounding

success due to the efforts team members under the leadership of the school's Chairman, G.N Tantray,

Vice Chairman M.A. Tantray, Principal Dr. Vikesh Kaur, Vice Principal Dr. Sarita Moza Koul, Director Leesan Ul Nabi, and HM Shivali Singh Pathania.

The evening commenced with the ceremonial lighting of the lamp by the digni-

ties.

Dr. Vikesh Kaur presented the annual report, highlighting the remarkable achievements of the students and the institution.

G.N Tantray, Dr. Vikesh Kaur and M.A. Tantray expressed their appreciation for the exceptional efforts of the entire staff and the breathtaking performances of the students, making the celebration a memorable one. The vote of thanks was presented by the Vice Principal, Sarita Moza Koul.

The program culminated with a Bhangra performance followed by the melodious presentation of the school's song and soul of our nation, the national anthem, leaving the audience with a sense of pride and unity.

The event was coordinated by the Headmistress, Shivali Singh Pathania and Chief Coordinators, Jasleen Kaur and Surinder Singh.

Sub-Junior UT Judo C'ship held



Medal winner players posing for a photograph with dignitaries.

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JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Judo Association on Sunday organised Sub Junior Boys and Girls J&K UT Judo Championship at Indoor Complex MA Stadium, here.

Around 150 Judokas from different districts of J&K participated in this event. Manager J&K Sports Council, Suraj Bhan Singh was the chief guest, who presented the medals in the presence of Suraj Sharma, Vikas Gupta and Manish Chatwal.

Bouts were officiated by the technical penal including Vikas Dogra, Jugal Kishore, Danish

Sharma, Rahil Shafi and Yashika Jamwal. The event took place under the aegis of J&K Sports Council and J&K Olympic Association.

The Results:

GIRLS: 28 Kg: Sony Devi, Kathua, Ist. 32 Kg: Anvi Thakur, Udhampur; Ist; Arushi Rajput Reasi, 2nd and Mansi Bhagat, Jammu and Sanjana Kathua, joint 3rd. 36 Kg: Sanah Sharma, Jammu, Ist; Pratna Sharma, Udhampur; 2nd; Sarika Kathua and Ruksana Bibi, Reasi, 3rd. 40 Kg: Baiza Tariq, Ganderbal, Ist; Sumkhna Kahjuria, Jammu, 2nd and Shabnam,

Kathua, 3rd. 44 Kg: Aisha Hassan, Ganderbal, Ist; Manpreet, Jammu, 2nd; Maniya Devi, Reasi and Shilpa Rajput, Udhampur; 3rd. 48 Kg: Infa Farooq, Ganderbal, Ist; Priya Sharma, Udhampur; 2nd; Akshara Reasi and Sabeena Kathua, 3rd. 52 Kg: Anjum Farooq, Ganderbal, Ist; Syed, Srinagar; 2nd and Divyanshi, Jammu, 3rd. 57 Kg: Komal Kathua, Ist. Plus 57 Kg: Rufusha Ganderbal, Ist; Kashish Rajput, 2nd; Manika Reasi and Reya Udhampur; 3rd.

BOYS: 30 Kg: Gagan Singh, Kathua, Ist; Piyush Minia,

Jammu, 2nd; Shivaym Verma, Reasi, 3rd. 35 Kg: Jaishveer Kathua, Ist; Daksh Chibber, Jammu, 2nd and Shahid Iqbal, Reasi, 3rd. 40 Kg: Amrit Gupta, Jammu, Ist; Sheikh Mohd, Ganderbal, 2nd; Ajay Kumar, Kathua and Anshman, Reasi, 3rd. 45 Kg: Zahid Maqboor, Ganderbal, Ist; Sahil Akhter, Kathua, 2nd; Vipul Thakur, Reasi and Naksh, 3rd. 50 Kg: Hitesh Chibber, Jammu, Ist; Shivansh Sharma, Reasi, 2nd; Mushtaq Ali, Kathua and Rashid Hilal, Ganderbal, 3rd. 55 Kg: Rashid Yousuf, Ganderbal, Ist; Varun Kumar, Reasi, 2nd; Rudransh Chib, Jammu, 2nd and Bansh Kumar, Kathua, 3rd. 60 Kg: Ridham Sharma, Jammu, Ist; Adhi Verma, Reasi, 2nd; Rohan Sharma, Kathua and Sahil Ashraf, Ganderbal, 3rd. 66 Kg: Amman Farooq, Srinagar; Ist; Rishu Kumar, Reasi, 2nd; Harkirat Singh, Jammu and Ansh Baloria, Kathua, 3rd. Plus 66 Kg: Hardeep Singh, Jammu, Ist.

KCeans selected for National Swimming Championship at New Delhi



Selected swimmers of KCPS posing with faculty members.

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JAMMU: Seven students from K C Public School have been selected to represent the school at the upcoming National Swimming Championship at the Talkatora Stadium New Delhi from January 2 to 6, 2024.

The seven KCeans, who have earned this remarkable opportunity through their exceptional swimming abilities, are Arnab Vaid, Ranveer Chowdhary, Atharv Chib, Aayan Sharma, Mitali Raj, Prajal

Gupta and Shanbhavi Sharma.

K C Public School's swimmers have undergone rigorous training under their coaches Babita and Sahil and have shown immense dedication alongside their academic pursuits.

"We, at K C Public School, are immensely proud of their achievements, and we extend our heartfelt congratulations to the swimmers and their coaches," said Principal Amarendra Mishra.

"Their selection for the

National Swimming Championship serves as our commitment to provide the best to our students in curricular as well as extra-curricular spheres," he added.

Chairman Raju Choudhary, Vice Chairman Arjun Chaudhary, MD Arti Chaudhary, Principal Amarendra Kumar Mishra and Vice Principal Sanjay Pandey expressed appreciation for the swimmers and their coaches and wished them best of luck for the national event.

Purnima demands Jharkhand CM's resignation

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JAMMU: Purnima Sharma, Spokesperson Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) Jammu & Kashmir and former Dy Mayor Jammu, while making a scathing attack on the opposition parties' conglomerate for being an unprecedented model of corruption, has demanded immediate resignation of Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren as multiple seams have taken place during his governance. She also demanded that the tirade against corruption must be intensified in Jammu and Kashmir too where some disgruntled political leaders have amassed huge wealth through corruption for about seven decades after independence. In a statement issued to media here today, the senior BJP leader while commenting on the recovery of a huge sum of cash by central probe agencies during raids at locations related to a business group linked to Congress MP from Jharkhand

Dhiraj Prasad Sahu asserted that the incumbent Chief Minister owns the responsibility of multiple scams during his tenure and has lost the right to continue in the office any more.

Purnima Sharma said that the people today are fully aware about the disservice to the nation by the opposition alliance and have already displayed their strong intent and will to wipe out corruption through BJP governance. She said that this is evident from the recent assembly poll results.

People have endorsed Prime Minister Modi's fight against corruption with the arrest of several leaders of the Congress, Aam Aadmi Party and the Trinamool Congress on corruption charges and that is why they have decided to ensure BJP governance across the nation led by PM Modi Govt at the Centre.

The senior BJP leader reiterated that Prime Minister Narendra Modi led government at the Centre stands fully committed to eradication of corruption besides nailing the culprits involved in this dirty game.

Chaar Sahibzaade T20 Cricket Tournament Badshah Club, Poonch Tiger defeat opponents

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POONCH: Badshah Club and Poonch Tiger defeated opponents in the ongoing Chaar Sahibzaade T20 Cricket Tournament, organized by Sikh Youth of Poonch The on the theme "Khello India" at Sports Stadium Poonch, here on Sunday.

In first match of the day, Badshah Club outplayed Firdous Club by 44 runs.

Badshah Club, batting first, scored 145 runs for the loss of five wickets. Dr. Intiaz Chowdhury played a fine inning of unbeaten 44 runs off 26 balls while Sarfraz Khan contributed 25 runs off 27 balls. Ali Manhas claimed two 2 wickets for 24 runs for Firdous Club.

In reply, Firdous Club could manage to score only 101 runs for the loss of nine wickets thus lost the match by 44 runs. Vivek Dutta was the top scorer with 38 runs off 27 balls and Ayaz Choudhary made 20 runs off 25 balls. With his tight line and length, Sayed Talit Waseem claimed five wickets for 10 runs. For



Chief Guest, Jatinder Singh Tandon, ZPEO Nangali interacting with players.

his exceptional performance, Sayed Talit Waseem was awarded the Man of the Match.

In another match, Poonch Tiger defeated Libra Strikers by five wickets.

Libra Strikers, batting first after winning the toss, scored 111 runs for the loss of eight wickets. Naveed scored 35 runs in 23 balls while Umar made 24 runs in 19 balls.

Amir Sohail grabbed three wickets for 16 runs and Asad Shah took two wickets for 22

runs for Poonch Tiger.

In reply, Poonch Tiger successfully reached the goal making 112 runs in 13.2 overs losing five wickets in the process. Rahil contributed 42 runs off 22 balls emerging as the top scorer: Ishtiaq Shaikh and Mohd Sami claimed two wickets each for Libra Strikers. Amir Sohail was declared the Man of the Match.

In today's matches, Jatinder Singh Tandon, ZPEO Nangali was the chief guest.

Natrang presents Hindi play 'Ajgar Raaj'

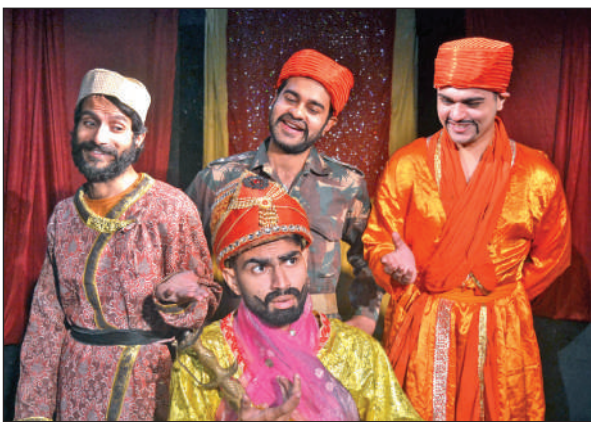
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JAMMU: Natrang presented a new Hindi play 'Ajgar Raaj' written by Chiranjeev and directed by Neeraj Kant here today at Natrang Studio Theatre in its weekly Sunday Theatre series.

The play 'Ajgar Raaj' attacks imperialist, expansionist and opportunistic policies of our neighboring country by highlighting its efforts to push mankind across the world towards destructive weapons, bloody wars and the propagation of destruction.

The play begins at the court of Ajgar Raaj, where he is celebrating his 74th birthday with his commander, tells him that his master Shaitaan had given him a boon that if he completes 73 years of his life, he will never die, becoming immortal. Along with this, he also declares his Commander as his crown prince in the absence of his Prime Minister.

On the occasion of his 74th birthday, 'Ajgar Raaj' announces that today he has become immortal,



Natrang artists performing in Hindi play Ajgar Raaj at Jammu on Sunday.

hence he should be considered as God and celebrating a huge celebration all over the world, his "Lal Kitab" should be considered as the divine book of God. After this, a commentary on the "Lal Kitab" is broadcast on the Radio, after which Ajgar Raaj orders the commander to broadcast it 101 times and to wipe out all religions and sects. Then a voice echoes in which the dragon king is warned that he is the enemy of humanity and

world peace and all the dictators who declared themselves God have been killed, so he too will die soon. Ignoring this warning, he cites the teachings of his "Lal Kitab" and says that the whole world is afraid of his destructive weapons.

At the same time, the Prime Minister of Ajgar Raaj who has returned from visiting many countries, tells that no one is afraid of him anymore, a civil war has broken out in his own country and people

have blackened his pictures. Many countries have expelled their citizens from their countries.

Angered by this, the dragon king says that Shahe Jhutistan should now be asked to attack India. On this the Prime Minister says that Shahe Jhutistan wants us to attack them first. The dragon king directs the commander to order the army to attack. Just then sounds of laughter start coming from all sides and the Prime Minister says that because of his words the whole world along with India is laughing at us and with this everyone starts laughing and the play ends.

Natrang young artists who performed in the play included Abhimanyu Choudhary, Harshul Kaul, Kushal Bhat and Chaitanya Shekhar. The lights of the play were executed by Sanket Bhagat who also rendered the music of the play.

The show was coordinated by Mohd. Yaseen and the presentations were done by Palshin Dutta.

Various delegations call on LG Mishra

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LEH: A delegation from the Lecturer Forum Ladakh led by its President Tsering Tundup called on the Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh, Brigadier (Dr) BD Mishra (Retd) at Lieutenant Governor's Secretariat.

Advisor to LG, Dr Pawan Kotwal; Secretary to LG, Ravinder Kumar; Director School Education, Ladakh, Tsering Paldan and Deputy Secretary, Education Department, Sumaira Shafi were present in the meeting.

Tundup apprised the LG that the In Charge Lecturers working in School Education Department were promoted in 2016 but have not been confirmed in their positions to date. He requested the LG to intervene and resolve the issue.

The LG directed Director School Education, Ladakh Tsering Paldan to prepare the list of such cases and take up the matter with the concerned department in Jammu & Kashmir at the



Lt Governor of Ladakh, Brigadier (Dr) BD Mishra (Retd) interacting with delegation members.

earliest.

A delegation of candidates who have qualified the Central Teacher Eligibility Test (CTET) called on the LG at LG Secretariat.

They apprised the LG that they had qualified for the CTET examination in August 2023 and requested to be made eligible for the teacher posts advertised by the Leh Autonomous Hill Development Council Subordinate Services Recruitment Board. They also requested for an extension of the online applica-

tion deadline.

Deputy Commissioner/Chairman LAHD-SSRB, Leh, Santosh Sukhdev informed about the recruitment procedures for teachers.

The LG directed DC / Chairman, LAHD-SSRB, Leh to look into the matter.

A delegation of PhD holders in Agriculture, Horticulture and Veterinary Science called on the LG at LG Secretariat.

They apprised the LG about their concerns and grievances regarding the

delay in apportionment of posts and recruitment processes for six units of Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agriculture Science and Technology (SKUAST) Kashmir in Ladakh. They informed that most of the posts were vacant in Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVK) in Ladakh and requested an early transfer of SKUAST units and KVKs to the University of Ladakh.

Secretary, Agriculture, Ladakh Micheal D' Souza informed the overview of the SKUAST and KVKs existing in UT Ladakh.

Vice Chancellor, University of Ladakh, Prof SK Mehta informed that the University of Ladakh has initiated to establish a School of Agriculture in the University of Ladakh.

The LG directed Vice Chancellor, University of Ladakh to streamline the process of operating both SKUAST units and KVKs under the University of Ladakh within a stipulated time frame.