

JKSC distributes sports kits to Khelo India Trainees in Poonch

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
POONCH: Continuing with its ongoing outreach program to support athletes, the Jammu & Kashmir Sports Council (JKSC) on Thursday distributed brand new sports training kits to the trainees of the Khelo India Centres in Poonch, focusing on the disciplines of Boxing and Hockey. The event was held at the Sports Stadium Poonch, where athletes received their kits in a formal function.

The trainees, accompanied by their respective mentors, Navjot Singh (Hockey) and Rohit Sharma (Boxing), were present at the event.

All necessary verifications, including the authenticity of credentials and NSRS ID checks, were carried out to ensure the eligibility of the players receiving the kits.

The function was graced by ASP Poonch, Mohan Sharma, who was the Chief Guest for the occasion. Other distinguished guests included Nirdosh Kumar



ASP Poonch, Mohan Sharma presenting sports kit to a player.

(Manager, Sports Stadium Poonch), Narjeet Singh (Retd ZPEO and Silver Medalist), Er Shah Aziz (Captain, India Divang Cricket Team), Ravinder Singh, Sorab Sharma, Ram Prakash, Zakir Hussain, Vishal Sharma, Narinder Singh, and coaches from various sporting disciplines.

The ceremony was conducted by Pawan Kumar PEL, the Hockey Coach.

In his welcome address, Nirdosh Kumar expressed gratitude to all the guests and players and provided a brief overview of the event. He extended special thanks to Nuzhat Gul (Secretary JKSC), Mohd Hanief (CSO

JKSC), and Baljinder Singh (DSO Jammu) for facilitating the distribution of the kits to the Khelo India Centre trainees.

While addressing the gathering, the chief guest, ASP Mohan Sharma, commended the efforts of the J&K Sports Council and the coaches for providing essential support and a platform for the athletes to excel in their chosen sports.

He encouraged the players to work diligently, emphasizing the importance of hard work and dedication in achieving success at both National and International competitions.

He also assured his full cooperation to further elevate the sports culture in District Poonch.

JKIANS mark participation in 49th Sub-Junior National Basketball Championship



JK Public School Kunjwani faculty felicitating winner students.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: In 49th sub-junior National Basketball Championship held from December 16 to 22, 2024 at Hyderabad, Kamakshi Khajuria,

Kanav Mehra and Vedant Gupta of JK Public School Kunjwani mark their participation.

Shashi Chaudhary, Director JK Educational Society and School

Principal Rajesh Rathore appreciated the students in the school assembly. They also lauded the school coach Manoj Solanki and HOD (Sports) Subash Chander.

Thapar, Shreya led J&K Fencing teams named



Selected fencing teams posing for a photograph with dignitaries.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: The 22-member J&K teams for the 35th Senior National Fencing Championship cleared today by the J&K Sports Council (JKSC) at MA Stadium, here.

Now, the selected fencers shall represent J&K at the National championship to be

held at Kannur, Kerala from December 31 to January three. Earlier, the JKSC conducted the screening of the selected probable in the presence of senior players.

The Teams:

MEN: Vishal Thapar; Sagar Sahi, Udhayveer Singh Chandel, Suryansh Sharma, Sufyan Waheed Sohail, Sohail

Thakur, Ajay Kumar, Shivansh Kapoor, Pranay Singh, Chahat Singh, Shresth Dogra and Ram Paul.

WOMEN: Shreya Gupta, Rishika Khajuria, Kritarthi Kotwal, Chhavi Sharma, Apsa Gulzar, Pihul Rajput, Shilpa Khajuria, Riya Bakshi, Vanya Gupta and Mansi Sharma.

JKCA felicitates Sr Women's team for QFs berth

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Cricket Association (JKCA) felicitated Senior Women's team for its outstanding show in the prestigious One-Day Trophy and sealing the berth in Quarter-Finals during a meet and greet event at JKCA Headquarters in Jammu on Thursday.

Brig Anil Gupta, Member Administration JKCA and Advocate Sunil Sethi, Member Legal Affairs honoured the team members with certificates in recognition of their marvelous performances.

Speaking on the occasion, the Sub Committee Members (Administrators), Brig Gupta and Advocate



Member Administration JKCA, Brig Anil Gupta and Member Legal Affairs, Advocate Sunil Sethi talking to reporters at felicitation function.

Sethi said that it was history in the making, adding that no team across the country would take Jammu and Kashmir lightly in the future.

While appreciating the Head Coach, Latika Kumari Sangwan for being instru-

mental, the JKCA Administrators said that the Coach guided the players to give their best and made a pride of lioness to roar and demolish rivals.

The players who were felicitated included Jasia Akhter, Shivanti Gupta, Chitra

Singh Jamwal, Sarla Devi, Bismah Hassan, Sandhya Sayal, Rubiya Syed, Lalita Rai, Rudrakshi Chib, Shambhavi Rajput, Ananaya Sharma, Maria Noorain, Jameela, Arveen Riyaz, Bawandeep Kaur.

The Support Staff included

Latika Kumari, Head Coach; Sayima Rashid, Assistant Coach; Ravi Dogra, Manager; Parveen Aziz, Co-Manager; Rohit Rana, Trainer; Lovely Bansal, Physiotherapist and Mujtaba Wani, Video Analyst.

Meanwhile, Jasia Akter was honoured for standing at number-3 spot among top run-getters; Rubiya Syed stood at number-2 spot among maximum six hitters in the tournament; Sarla Devi for becoming the first women cricketer to take 100 wickets and Chitra Singh Jamwal for scoring 1,000 runs in 35 innings.

The proceedings of the function were conducted by Manisha Gupta.

GDC Marh celebrates Dogri Manyata Diwas



GDC Marh faculty and students during Dogri Manyata Diwas celebration.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Government Degree College Marh celebrated 21 years of Dogri Manyata Diwas on Thursday, here under the leadership of the college Principal, Dr. Rakesh Kumar Koul. The event was meticulously organized by Dr. Sheetal Sharma HOD, Department of Dogri.

Principal Dr. Rakesh Kumar Koul was the chief

guest. He emphasized the importance of preserving and passing on Dogra culture to future generations. He further captivated the audience by delivering his speech in Dogri, a highlight of the program that resonated with all present.

As part of the celebrations, students dressed in traditional attires and displayed a variety of traditional Dogra cuisines and food items pre-

pared by them through stalls and served in local eco-friendly pattals and Dunas.

As many as 7 stalls managed by 14 students displayed 17 local delicacies of Quare, Suchhiyaan, Khamirah, Meyri, Chilla, Malpua, Chana-di-dal, Ambal, Rice, Kimb, Kachaloo, Sund, Madra, Aasra, Alsi-de-Laddu, Gajar-da-Halwa which were well-received and tasted by

faculty and staff alike.

The stall competition was judged by a panel of faculty members (Prof. Asha Kumari, HOD Geography, Prof. Sachin Kumar Bhagat, HOD Pol. Science and Dr. Priya Sharma, HOD Economics). The winners (1st position- Laxmi Sharma of Semester I, 2nd position- Kashish Sharma of Semester V and 3rd position- Sangeeta and Sweetie Kaith of

Semester-III) were recognized for their outstanding contribution by presenting certificates of appreciation. The celebration also witnessed folk dance by students and faculty.

In her closing remarks, Dr. Sheetal Sharma extended heartfelt gratitude to the entire faculty and Principal for their unwavering support. She pledged to continue her efforts in promoting the Dogri language and Dogra culture, with a commitment to elevating them to new heights in the years to come.

The event not only showcased the rich cultural heritage of Jammu but also reinforced the importance of preserving and celebrating regional traditions for future generations.

Carrom body retains Adil as president



Jammu and Kashmir Carrom Association office bearers at a meeting.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: The Jammu and Kashmir Carrom Association retained Adil Rasheed Shah as president in an Annual General Meeting (AGM) which took place at Sher e Kashmir Indoor Sports Complex, Srinagar on Thursday.

The election of office bearers was carried out under the supervision of Musbat Ismail Wani (Deputy Legal Remembrance), appointed

as the Returning Officer by the Jammu and Kashmir Sports Council, and Dr. Altaf ur Rehman (retired Director of Physical Education, Islamia College, Srinagar), who acted as the observer of the All India Carrom Federation, New Delhi.

The newly elected office bearers Adil Rashid Shah (president); Sameer Ahmad (senior vice president); Advocate Adfar Jan and

Ahraz Bhat (vice presidents); Amandeep Singh and Sheikh Mohammad Saqib (joint secretaries); Mudasir Khan (general secretary); Dawar Rashid Gadyari (assistant secretary) and Arif Sultan Khan (treasurer).

Executive Members: Jagpal Singh (Jammu), Peer Musadiq (Pulwama), Irfan Majeed (Bandipora), Faizan Mehraj (Srinagar), and Farhan Malik (Srinagar).

APS Sunjuwan excels in Speed Ball



Medal winner students posing with faculty.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Students of Army Public School (APS) Sunjuwan excelled in the 15th J&K Sub Junior Speed Ball Championship which held under the banner of J&K Sports Speed

Ball Association.

The APS Sunjuwan remained runners up. Medal winners: Adil Islam, Arka, Rahil Ahmad, Aarav Joshi, Aarav Singh Bandral, Shivam Parshram, Babar,

Madhav Upadhyay, Rohan Sharma, Asad Ansari, Pardeep Raj, Usman Khurshed, Harneek Singh and Adarsh Patha, a handout issued by the Association here today informed.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
POONCH: The day saw two exciting matches in the ongoing Chaar Sahibzaade Cricket Tournament, both offering thrilling action and remarkable performances from the players.

In the first match, United Chandak faced off against Khalsa Cricket Club. United Chandak batted first and posted a challenging total of 169/6 in 16 overs. Sajid Kirmani was the star of the innings, scoring a blistering 67 runs off 31 balls, while Adnan Kohli contributed with a quickfire 36 runs from 19 balls. Khalsa Cricket Club's bowler Gagandeep Singh was

Chaar Sahibzaade Cricket Tournament United Chandak, Bhainch Eleven win ties



Guest of Honour, Prof Satinderpal Singh interacting with players.

the pick of the bowlers, claiming 2 wickets for 27 runs in his 4-over spell.

In response, Khalsa Cricket Club fought valiantly but fell short, finishing at 159/4 in 16 overs, just 10 runs shy of

their target. Amit Singh top-scored for Khalsa with a steady 56 runs off 30 balls, but despite his efforts, they were unable to cross the line. Sajid Kirmani's brilliant batting performance earned him

the Man of the Match award for leading his team to victory.

The second match saw Bhainch Eleven take on Diwan Riders. Bhainch Eleven emerged victorious by 7 wickets after a dominant performance. Diwan Riders were bowled out for a mere 82 runs in 14.5 overs, with Mumtaz being the highest scorer with just 22 runs. Bhainch Eleven's Mohain Khan was the standout bowler, claiming an impressive 3 wickets for 12 runs, putting his team in a strong position.

Chasing a modest target, Bhainch Eleven reached 83/3

in 11.4 overs, with Zarafat (23 runs) and Farzand (19 runs) guiding their team to a comfortable victory. Mohain Khan was deservedly named Man of the Match for his exceptional bowling display, which set up the win for his side.

Prof Satinderpal Singh, who was the Guest of Honour, honored the contributions and sacrifices of the Chaar Sahibzaade in India's pre-independence freedom struggle.

He spoke about the legacy of courage and sacrifice they left behind, emphasizing the importance of following their path for future generations.

Poetry Competition held on Bal Diwas at Commerce College

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: On the occasion of Martyrs Day and Bal Diwas, a special poetry competition was organized at Government SPMR College of Commerce to honour the younger children of Guru Gobind Singh. The event aimed to celebrate the bravery and sacrifice of the young martyrs who played a pivotal role in India's history.

The poetry competition provided a platform for students to express their emotions and pay tribute to these heroes through their creative works.

The competition saw a great turnout of participants, each showcasing their poetic talent and heartfelt expressions.



Winners of Poetry competition posing with faculty.

The students demonstrated deep respect and admiration for the sacrifice of the younger children of Guru Gobind Singh. After a thorough evaluation by the judges, the winners were announced. The first

prize went to Taranpreet Kaur; second prize was awarded to Gurleen Kaur; and the third prize went to Gurtej Kaur. The event highlighted the students' passion and dedication to the cause of preserving and cele-

brating India's rich heritage.

The event was honoured by several distinguished guests and faculty members, including Dr. Pawan Gupta, HOD of Commerce, Mamta Rani, HOD of Punjabi, and Prof. Dr. Esha Abrol, HOD of Environmental Sciences (EVS).

Other faculty members present were Dr. Deepak Paithania, Prof. Dr. Deepshikha Sharma, Prof. Dr. Suresh Sharma, Prof. Dr. Gureharan Singh, Prof. Dr. Jasvinder Singh, Prof. Ashwani Kumar, Prof. Dr. Chetana Gupta, Prof. Dr. Sunal Gupta, and Prof. Dr. Rajani Sharma.

H&P Deptt's Ankush lifts National title for 6th time

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Anksuh Kohli, an international roller hockey player and an employee of the Hospitality & Protocol Department, has emerged as National champion for the 6th time in the recently concluded 62nd National Roller Skating Championships which was held at Coimbatore.

Ankush played an important role in the final match against Chandigarh. He scored two important goals and also assisted the 3rd one, which J&K won by 3-2. Besides other team members, he showed his class and experience in the whole championship and was highly appreciated by all.

The staff members of the Hospitality & Protocol Department congratulated him on adding another feather in his cap and bringing laurels for the Department and J&K (UT).

