

# JKPS Kunjwani pays rich tribute to Marine commandos & valiant Naval forces on Navy Day



Principal JK Public School Kunjwani, Rajesh Rathore and students addressing morning assembly on Wednesday.

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JAMMU: "Freedom in mind, pride in our hearts, memories in our soul. Let's salute the nation on Navy Day". Such words thundered the Assembly stage while Oriana Sharma from Grade 4th Maple conducted the Morning Assembly along with her classmates at JK Public School, Kunjwani.

More substance was added to the topic while Amira Dhawan pitched in saying, "We celebrate Navy Day every year on 4th December. This special day reminds us of bravery and hard work of the Indian Navy. The Navy helps protect our country from threats coming through the seas and

also helps during natural disasters. Navy day is celebrated to honour the Indian Navy's big success during the 1971 war. In a mission called operation TRIDENT, our Navy defeated the enemy and showed great courage and skills".

"The Navy also plays an important role in keeping our oceans safe, helping ships travel, and rescuing people during emergencies. It also works with other countries to make sure the seas are peaceful and safe for everyone. Let us take this day to thank our naval officers and sailors, who work day and night to keep us safe should be proud of their efforts and learn to respect and love our country just like they

do", added Jaijot Singh.

Pragun Kour shared a poignant poem on the occasion, which called for a thunderous applause from the audience:

I am protector of my sea!  
I am sailor you can see!  
Tell my parents,  
Don't take tension!  
I am sea guard of my nation!  
Tell my wife,  
My uniform is white,  
Always wear with pride!  
Tell my kids  
I can sale,  
I can fly,  
I can dive,

With all my strive!  
Tell my country,  
I am ready for any crises,  
Will save the people at any prices!  
Tell my God,  
Till my end of life,  
I want to fight!  
I am protector of my sea!  
I am defender of my country!  
Under the segment QUOTATIONS,  
Mehar Kour quoted Albert F Pratt, "The navy is much more than the job, much more than the service to the country, it is a way of life, it gets in your blood".

Devasaya Dhairavi quoted Henry Woodsworth, "The waves may rise, the

wind may roar; but a sailor's courage anchors the shore".

Rakshit Mangotra quoted Admiral Nadkarni, "Dedication, discipline and duty define the Indian Navy". Raghav Malpotra quoted Pt. JI Nehru, "To be secure on land, we must be supreme at sea". Jaskirat Kour quoted Theodore Roosevelt, "A good Navy is not a provocation to war. It is the surest guarantee of peace".

Principal JKPS Kunjwani, Rajesh Rathore applauded the presenters of Grade 4th Maple for paying rich tribute to our valiant Naval forces and stated, "On this Navy Day, we extend our deepest

gratitude to the dedicated men and women of our Naval forces. Their unsurpassed commitment, indomitable courage, and excellence in safeguarding our marine borders are truly commendable".

"Their meritorious service not only ensures the security of our nation but also inspires us with their resilience and devotion to duty. We are proud and forever grateful for their sacrifices and relentless efforts to protect our waters and uphold peace. Thank you Indian Navy for being the guardians of our seas and the pride of our nation. Wishing you fair winds and following seas always", he concluded.

## Jasia slams cracking ton, Bawandeep, Rubia score fifties as J&K thrashes Baroda by 6 wts

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KOLKATA: Jasia Akhtar slammed magnificent unbeaten century, while Bawandeep Kaur and Rubia Syed scored brilliant fifties as J&K crushed formidable Baroda by six wickets in the ongoing Senior Women's One-Day Trophy at Aditya Academy Ground, Kolkata on Wednesday.

Chasing a massive total of 255 runs, J&K rode on superb unbeaten 124 runs off 98 balls, studded with 13 fours and 4 massive sixes by Jasia Akhtar, 60 off 98 balls by Bawandeep Kaur and unbeaten 50 off 40 balls by with 7 fours and one six by Rubia Syed, chased the target in 44.3 overs losing 4 wickets in the process, thus winning the match by six wickets. Jasia and Rubia were in their murderous best in their knocks, while Bawandeep showed composure and promise.

For Baroda, NV Patel took 2 wickets, while Dharti claimed one wicket.

Earlier, Baroda scored 255 runs in 50 overs, losing

all their wickets in the process.

Amrita Joseph top scored with 89 runs while Pragya Rawat and CJ Desai contributed 34 and 33 respectively.

For J&K, right-arm Speedster Rubia Syed took 3 wickets while left-arm seamer Sarla Devi and off-spinner Sandhya Sayal bagged 2 wickets each. Right-arm leg spinner Ananaya Sharma claimed one wicket.

Commending the effort of the team, Brig Anil Gupta, Member Administration JKCA congratulated the team for an emphatic win and exhorted them to continue the winning streak despite the Group having many tough opponents.

Mithun Manhas, Member Cricket Operations and Development, said that following the processes and maintaining good team work is the key to success and he was happy that our Senior Women Team under its new coach is shaping well. Sunil Sethi also complimented the team's performance.

## Rashmi Singh commends GCW Parade's Innovative Theatre Programme

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JAMMU: The week long Chhau workshop, organised by the Government College for Women (GCW), Parade Ground, in collaboration with Rangyug and the J&K Academy of Art, Culture & Languages (JKAACL), culminated in a grand valedictory ceremony on Wednesday.

Commissioner Secretary, Higher Education, Dr. Rashmi Singh, was the chief guest on the occasion while Director Colleges, Dr. Sheikh Ajaz Bashir was the guest of honour.

Other dignitaries present included Dr. S.P. Saraswat, Nodal Principal, PSPS Government PG College for Women, Gandhi Nagar, Dr. Ravender Kumar Tickoo, Principal, GCW Parade Ground, Deepak Kumar, Director Rangyug; Rajinder Tickoo Padamshree, Suresh Kumar Sharma (Retd. Judge), Convener of SPIC-MACAY J&K Chapter and Dr. Lalit Gupta, Art Historian.

Speaking on the occasion, the Commissioner Secretary commended the initiative of the college as a unique blend of education and culture, in line with the objectives of the



Comm Secy Higher Education, Dr. Rashmi Singh being honoured.

National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. She emphasized how the workshop aligns with NEP's vision to foster a holistic, multidisciplinary education that integrates both academic knowledge and life skills, essential for the overall development of students.

Dr. Rashmi Singh highlighted the importance of the newly introduced skill-based theatre course at GCW Parade, which aims to equip students with practical skills that complement their academic learning. She acknowledged the college for its forward-thinking approach, combining traditional arts with modern education practices. She acknowledged the invaluable collaboration with Rangyug and JKAACL,

which played a key role in the success of the workshop.

The Commissioner Secretary also expressed appreciation for the 'Design Your Degree' (DYD) initiative of GCW Parade, which allows students to customize their academic programs based on their personal interests and career goals, thus empowering them to take charge of their educational journey.

Dr. Sheikh Ajaz Bashir, in his address, emphasised the role of cultural and skill-based initiatives in shaping future-ready students. He lauded the synergy between GCW Parade and its collaborators in providing a platform for cultural exploration and learning.

Earlier, Ravender Tickoo,

in his welcome address, emphasized the significance of integrating performing arts into academia as part of the college's newly introduced Skill Development Program. He explained that the workshop aimed to introduce students to Chhau, a traditional Indian art form that combines martial arts, storytelling, and physical movement. He said that the participants learned various techniques that helped improve their physical fitness, strength, and endurance. Through this immersive experience, the workshop fostered self-confidence and a greater appreciation for Indian cultural heritage, allowing students to engage with an ancient tradition while developing their skills, he further added.

Dr. Alpna Vohra, Convener, Skill Development Cell, gave an overview of the workshop's highlights and its transformative impact on the participants. These included aspiring actors, dancers, and theatre enthusiasts from GCW Parade, Govt SPMR College, PSPS, GCW Gandhi Nagar, GGM Science College, GDC Akhnoor, and other institutions across

Jammu, who actively participated in the week-long workshop.

On the occasion, the participants showcased a Demonstration-cum-Performance, presenting their newly acquired skills under the guidance of resource persons Blumikeshwar Singh, a renowned and internationally acclaimed expert in Classical Indian Drama, and Rudri Singh, a Chhau Exponent and Yoga Teacher. The performance depicted a powerful theme, where the participants, through precise body movements and expressive gestures, brought this profound message to life. The vibrant display highlighted the effectiveness of the training and showcased the transformative potential of integrating such teachings into one's life. The applause from the audience echoed their appreciation for the impactful performance.

The Chhau workshop, the first of its kind in Jammu, stands as a testament to the commitment of GCW Parade, Rangyug, and JKAACL in promoting cultural heritage while empowering students with unique

skills for their holistic development.

The dignitaries also released a Newsletter on the 'Design Your Degree' (DYD) Initiative, an innovative program by GCW Parade offering flexible academic opportunities tailored to individual student aspirations.

The ceremony concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Dr. Gurpreet Kour, Coordinator, Skill Development Cell, who expressed gratitude to all contributors, dignitaries, and participants for making the workshop a resounding success.

Among others, prominent figures including Dr. Priya Dutta, Raj Kumar Behrupia from IMFA, Ashish Sharma, Coordinator Rangyug, Ashok Sharma senior journalist, and faculty members Prof. Anuradha Kalsi, Dr. Sukriti Sharma, Dr. Randheer Kour, Prof. Tazim Akhtar, Prof. Arti Devi, Prof. Neetu Bala, Dr. Sukhvinder Kaur, Dr. Neetu Sharma, Prof. Pooja Saroch, Prof. Mohammad Qayoom, Prof. Deepti Salotra, Prof. Arif Ahmed were present on the occasion.

## Secretary YS&S Sarmad Hafeez honours winners Meghalaya drubs Bihar to lift 68th NSG U-17 Boys Football C'ship Jharkhand outplays West Bengal to win 3rd place

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JAMMU: Getting the better of formidable Bihar by a solitary goal in the summit clash, the strong team of Meghalaya lifted the title trophy to become champion in the 68th National School Games U-17 Boys Football Championship, which concluded at Sainik School Nagrota here on Wednesday.

In the finals, the players of both the teams showed extraordinary soccer skills, however, the footballers from Meghalaya held their nerves better in the tough situations and registered an emphatic victory by one goal to nil (1-0).

Mebanlamlynti Masharing of Meghalaya netted the goal. He was adjudged as the Player of the Tournament.

With this victory, Meghalaya clinched Gold,



Winner team in jubilant mood posing for a photograph with dignitaries.

while Bihar bagged Silver. The Bronze medal went to Jharkhand, who defeated West Bengal by four goals to one (4-1) via Penalty Shootouts in the hardliner.

Earlier, in the semifinals played in the morning session today, Meghalaya trounced West Bengal by two goals to nil (2-0), while Bihar drubbed Jharkhand by four

goals to two (4-2) via Penalty Shootouts.

The soccer extravaganza in which 760 footballers and the officials drawn from 38 State/UT/Organisation teams across the country took part, was organised by the Directorate of Youth Services and Sports J&K, under the auspices of School Games Federation of India (SGFI).

This event showcased young footballers who embodied sportsmanship and dedication, besides displaying character and composure.

Secretary to the Government, Youth Services and Sports, Jammu and Kashmir, Sarmad Hafeez was the chief guest on the occasion, who honoured the winners with trophies and

medals, marking the closing of this vibrant event.

He was accompanied by Rajinder Singh Tara, Director General of Youth Services and Sports J&K, Capt (IN) Shibu Devasia, Principal Sainik School Nagrota in the Prize Distribution Function. Joint Director Youth Services and Sports Jammu, Ved Prakash and Deputy Director Youth Services and Sports Central, Jitendra Mishra were also present on the occasion.

The Function concluded with a vote of thanks from Ved Prakash, who expressed his gratitude to all dignitaries, guests, and media representatives for their support in making the event a grand success.

He emphasized that over 4,000 participants competed across various disciplines in

Jammu and Kashmir, reinforcing the J&K Government's commitment to sports and youth engagement.

Meanwhile, as part of the historic series of the 68th National School Games in four sports disciplines, the mega soccer event is being held under the patronage of Minister for Sports, Satish Sharma; Secretary Youth Services and Sports, Sarmad Hafeez and under the chairmanship of Director General Youth Services and Sports, Rajinder Singh Tara.

In this month-long series of 68th National School Games three events of Judo, Fencing and Wushu have already been completed and the fourth one that's Football U-17 Boys & Girls is in progress.

## Inter-Collegiate Badminton C'ship gets underway at JU



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JAMMU: The ongoing Inter-Collegiate Badminton (Men & Women) Championship 2024-25, organized by the Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu at the Gymnasium Hall, University of Jammu.

Results: Women: PG Deptt JU beat GDC Ramnagar by 2-0; MIER Jammu beat GCW Udhampur by 2-0; MIET Jammu beat Dogra Degree College by 2-0; GCW Parade beat GDC Kathua by 2-0.

Men: GDC Kathua beat MIER College Jammu by 2-0; GDC Kunjwani beat GDC Ramnagar by 2-0; UIET Kathua beat MBS College Jammu by 2-1; K.C Law College beat GDC Vijaypur by 2-0; PG Deptt. JU beat GDC R.S Pura by 2-0; GDC Mendher beats GDC Paloura by 2-0.

The matches were officiated by Ravish Vaid, Vinay Manhas, Jeevan Lal, Arjun Sharma and Ritik Jandial.