

# JKPS Panjtirthi celebrates Human Rights Day



Glimpses of Human Rights Day celebration at JK Public School Panjtirthi.

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JAMMU: Human Rights Day was celebrated at JK Public School (JKPS) Panjtirthi with much enthusiasm. The event aimed to educate students about the importance of human

rights and to inspire them to uphold these values in their daily lives.

The students presented number of speech highlighting the significance of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. A thought-provoking skit by

jakiians showcased real-life scenarios related to discrimination, freedom, and justice, helping students to understand the relevance of human rights in society.

The teacher incharges of the celebration, Pretty Sabotra and Anju Sharma

expressed "Human Rights Day reminds us that every individual deserves respect and opportunity. It is our responsibility to cultivate compassion and fairness among students."

The vibrant slogans by students reflected their cre-

ativity and deep understanding of human rights values.

Students expressed their views on global challenges such as child labor, gender inequality, and the right to education.

The Presentation fostered

awareness and empowered students to think critically about social issues.

The celebration concluded with an English song where students promoted the value of peace, kindness, and equality.

The Principal of JKPS

Panjtirthi Suman Banbah expressed, "JKPS Panjtirthi continues to work towards nurturing responsible, empathetic, and aware citizens who contribute positively to society."

The Principal encouraged

the students to uphold human rights in the daily lives and work to contribute towards a compassionate society. The Principal asked various questions pertaining the celebration and the winners were rewarded.

## Satish felicitates J&K Deaf Cricket Team

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JAMMU: Minister for FCS&CA, IT, Transport, ARI and Trainings, Youth Services and Sports, Satish Sharma, on Wednesday felicitated the Jammu & Kashmir Deaf Cricket Team, which recently emerged as the runner-up in the prestigious T20 National Cricket Championship for the Deaf held in New Delhi.

The team's remarkable achievement has brought widespread appreciation and pride to the Union Territory.

The Minister extended a warm welcome to the players and congratulated them for their determined and spirited performance. "The players of our Deaf Cricket Team have demonstrated extraordinary resilience, dis-



Sports Minister, Satish Sharma felicitating Jammu & Kashmir Deaf Cricket Team.

cipline, and passion for the sport. Their performance at the national level is an inspiration for every young athlete of J&K," he added.

Recognizing the team's hard-earned success, the Minister said that requisite support and other assistance

would be provided to support the players in their future sporting commitments.

As a mark of appreciation and encouragement, brand new cricket kits were also distributed among the entire team. He assured the ath-

letes that the government remains fully committed towards promoting inclusive sports and ensuring equal opportunities for all specially-abled sportspersons.

During the interaction, Satish Sharma praised the coaching staff and team

management for their dedicated efforts in shaping and preparing the players for national-level competitions. He emphasized that the achievements of the J&K Deaf Cricket Team reflect the growing sports culture and improved infrastructure in Jammu and Kashmir, supported under the government's youth-centric initiatives.

The team is now preparing for its next major challenge as they are scheduled to travel to Kolkata next week to participate in another significant national-level tournament.

The Minister conveyed his best wishes, expressing confidence that the players will continue their winning momentum and bring laurels to Jammu & Kashmir.

## JU maintains winning spree in NZ Volleyball

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: University of Jammu continued winning spree in the initial rounds of the ongoing North Zone Inter-University Volleyball (Men) tournament at Central University of Haryana.

As per the reports reaching here, demonstrating outstanding skill, teamwork, and determination, the team secured victory in their second match of the tournament, further strengthening their position.

The JU defeated CCSU Meeru in straight sets of 25-21, 25-17, 25-20 showcasing the dominance throughout the match.

Dr. Daud Iqbal Baba, Director, Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, JU praised the players for their exceptional efforts and



JU team after winning the match.

outstanding on-court display. He congratulated the entire team for their spirited performance and expressed full confidence in their ability to continue excelling in the upcoming fixtures.

He further acknowledged the commitment and professional guidance of Azhar Hussain Shah (Coach) and Sat Paul (Manager), whose

consistent support, strategic planning, and motivation have played a crucial role in the team's preparation and success.

The University community remains hopeful that the team will maintain their winning streak and bring laurels to the institution in the North Zone Inter-University Volleyball (Men) Tournament 2025-26.

## Sidharth Academy wins Udhampur Taekwondo trophy

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UDHAMPUR: Sidharth Taekwondo Academy Udhampur lifted the title trophy of the 15th District Udhampur Taekwondo Championships, organised by the Taekwondo Association of Udhampur under the aegis of the J&K Taekwondo Association and J&K Sports Council, concluded today at the Indoor Hall, Subash Stadium, here.

Udhampur Scorpion Academy finished overall second. Deputy Commissioner Udhampur, Saloni Rai was the chief guest, who presented medals and certificates in the presence of guest of honour, DDC Gordi and special guest, district (DYSS) officer Udhampur. She congratulated the organisers for conducting a well-structured and vibrant championship that provided a strong competitive platform for young athletes. Those medal winners shall represent the district in the upcoming 28th J&K UT Taekwondo Championships. The event was supported by a strong technical team led by Nitin Singh Rathore, Narayan Dass, Suresh Manhas, Rakesh Singh, Gourav Atri, Mohit Kumar, Shivansh Rajput, Rajinder Kumar, Saksham Sharma, Aryaman Bansotra, Ridham Arora, Bhavna Parihar, Dhruv Sharma, Atul Sharma, Sanjay Salaria, and Aditya Prashar.

Meanwhile, Tara Singh Rathore, president, Taekwondo Association of District Udhampur thanked the J&K Sports Council and parent association for the continued support.

## MAM College clinches CLUJ Inter-collegiate Hockey Championship title

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: MAM College reaffirmed its dominance in university sports by clinching the Intercollegiate Hockey Championship title organised by the Cluster University of Jammu. The tournament, held at KK Hakku Hockey Stadium, showcased exceptional sporting talent, with MAM College emerging as the clear and deserving champion.

The opening match saw MAM College deliver a commanding performance against SPMR College of Commerce, securing a massive 9-0 victory in a one-sided encounter. The team carried forward its winning momentum into the final match against GGM Science College Jammu. Despite the



Participating teams posing for a photograph with dignitaries.

determined efforts of the GGM side, MAM College displayed remarkable coordination, strength and strategy, overpowering their opponents with a dominant 10-1 win to lift the championship trophy.

Avneet Singh of MAM

College, whose stellar performance, sharp gameplay and leadership stood out throughout the tournament, was honoured with the Best Player of the Tournament award.

The tournament was conducted smoothly under the

supervision of Prof. Neeno Sahawney, Prof. Neelam, Prof. Rohit Bhardwaj and Dr. Devinder Sharma. Dr. Vinod Bakshi, Director Physical Education, Cluster University of Jammu, presided over the final as the Chief Guest. Dr. Bakshi

praised the participating teams and acknowledged the dedicated efforts of the organising committee.

He also extended gratitude to Ajay Gupta, Manager of KK Hakku Stadium, for his crucial support in ensuring smooth conduct of the

matches. The officiating panel for the tournament included Jagjeet Singh, Karandeep Singh, Gargi and Saksham Sharma.

In a congratulatory message, Prof. K. S. Chandrasekar, Vice Chancellor of Cluster University of Jammu, applauded the outstanding performance of the winning team, highlighting their discipline, teamwork and commitment to excellence. He expressed hope that the triumphant team would continue to scale new heights and bring more laurels to the University.

The tournament concluded on a vibrant note, celebrating sportsmanship, team spirit and the remarkable talent of the participating students.

## Superb led Jain Bazar team wins Ist Chess League

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JAMMU: Superb Jain led Jain Bazar Jammu team won the VCA's 1st Open J&K Chess Premier League (JKCPL) trophy with cash prize of Rs. 3000.

The winning team secured 12 points with other two players being Gunjan Nishad and Mitansh Magotra. Udhampur-2, led by captain Raman, finished second with 11 points. Other players in Udhampur-2 were Nitika and Prince.

Third place went to team Lakshya Chowdhary led Mast Garh-1, securing 10 points. Ishaan chowdhary and Raesha Thothla were other players in the team.

In total, seven teams took part in this League with one rated, one woman and one under-15 player. Each player underwent seven rounds with his own group and total of 18 matches for the team.

The participating teams were Jain Bazar, Udhampur-1,



The Detailed Results: Round

## DPS Jammu students qualify for National Singing & Dance Sports C'ship 2025



■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Students of Delhi Public School Jammu have secured their place in the National Singing & Dance Sports Championship 2025 after an impressive performance at the Jammu & Kashmir Singing and Dance Sports Trials held on 7th December 2025. The event was organised by Harman Dance Institute, Jammu, and witnessed enthusiastic participation from young talents across the region. Six students from DPS Jammu excelled in various dance styles and categories. Vrinda Sharma (VI-A) clinched 1st prize in Free Style (Junior Category), while Nirviti Kohli (VI-H) secured 1st prize in Punjabi Fusion Dance (Junior Category). Sanvi Kohli (VI-G) bagged the 2nd prize in Punjabi Dance (Junior Category), and Samairya Gupta (V-J) earned the 2nd prize in Kathak Dance (Junior Category). In

the Sub-Junior Category, Hasrat Gupta (III-H) won 2nd prize in Hip-Hop Dance, and Mahira Tandon (I-F) achieved 2nd prize in Western Dance. All students were also awarded certificates and tokens of appreciation for their remarkable performances. The students will now represent Jammu & Kashmir at the National Level Dance Championship, scheduled to be held in Asansol, West Bengal, on 6th and 7th January 2026. The management of DPS Jammu, led by President-RCT M.K. Ajatshatru Singh, Pro VC Dr. Ritu Singh, Director S.S. Sodhi, Principal Ruchi Chabra and the staff, congratulated the young achievers for their brilliant success. They expressed immense pride in the students' achievements and extended their best wishes for the upcoming national event and their future pursuits.

## Jodhamal students excels at Khelo India Women League 2025

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Students of Jodhamal Public School put up an outstanding performance at the Khelo India Women League 2025. Fourteen talented girl athletes represented the school and achieved remarkable success by securing 12 medals in total, including 2 Gold, 3 Silver, and 7 Bronze.

Gold medal winners were Sharanya Gupta and Smaira Mahajan while silver medal winners include Gursangad Kaur, Chitrakshi Kotwal and Navika Gupta. Myra Verma, Saavya Gupta, Anaya Gupta, Rehanshi Mahajan, Kavya Langar, Priyara Luthra and Anika Verma won bronze medal.

The achievement was made



possible by the continuous training and unwavering motivation provided by Coach Jahnavi Katal, who worked tirelessly to prepare the participants for the league.

The Trustee, Nandan

Kuthiala; Director, Arati Kuthiala; Principal, Dr. Deep Khare; and Vice Principal, Amita Arora, applauded the students and the coach for their exemplary dedication, discipline, and sportsmanship.

## Alpha Cup 2025-1st Edition T-20 Cricket Tournament begins

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DODA: Deputy Commissioner (DC), Harvinder Singh on Wednesday formally inaugurated the Alpha Cup 2025 - 1st Edition, a T-20 Leather Ball Cricket Tournament organized by the District Administration Doda. The much-awaited sporting event commenced here at Sports Stadium amidst

enthusiastic participation from players and spectators.

Additional Deputy Commissioner, Anil Kumar Thakur, ACD, EO MC, Maj Thakur, Dinesh Kumar Badsara of 10 RR Arnora and other officers were present on the occasion, along with a large number of sports enthusiasts and local citizens who gathered to witness the opening cer-

emony. The Deputy Commissioner lauded the initiative aimed at promoting sports culture and encouraging youth participation in constructive activities. He interacted with the participating teams, inspected the sports arrangements and conveyed his best wishes to all players for a competitive and disciplined tournament ahead.