

## Jammu Division clinches U14 & U19 titles at UT-Level Inter-Division Kho-Kho



Students participating in sports activities.

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KATHUA: The Department of Youth Services & Sports (DYSS), Kathua, on Friday successfully concluded the Inter-Division UT-Level Kho-Kho Tournament for Under-14 and Under-19 girls at the Sports Stadium, Kathua. The two-day tournament began on December 5 and ended today with high enthusiasm, competitive spirit, and exemplary sportsmanship.

Jammu Division emerged victorious in both U14 and U19 girls' categories, defeating the Kashmir

Division teams and lifting the winners' trophies in an impressive display of skill, coordination, and determination. District Youth Services &

## 2nd Federation Cup Lacrosse C'hip enters day 2

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JAMMU: The 2nd Federation Cup Lacrosse Championship progressed seamlessly on its second day at the Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Sports Complex, Katra (Jammu). The tournament, inaugurated on Friday by MLA Baldev Raj Sharma in the presence of dignitaries and officials, has brought together 16 state teams in both men's and women's categories, featuring nearly 250 talented players.

Day 2 delivered high-energy action as players showcased exceptional lacrosse skills and sportsmanship. A total of 18 matches were played, each filled with intense competition and enthusiasm. Teams from Rajasthan, Maharashtra, and Uttar Pradesh stood out with particularly impressive performances, drawing loud applause from spectators.

Organized by the J&K Lacrosse Association under the aegis of the Lacrosse Association of India, the championship will continue till 7th December 2025, promising more exciting matches and memorable moments for players and fans alike.

Sports Officer (DYSSO) Kathua, Sunil Singh Sambyal, graced the concluding occasion and presented trophies to the winning and runner-up teams. He congratulated the players for their commendable performance and extended his best wishes to the Jammu Division teams for their forthcoming participation at the national level. The tournament provided a vibrant platform for young female athletes to showcase their talent and highlighted the Department's continued efforts to promote sports at the grassroots level.

## IIT Jammu selected as Nodal Centre for Smart India Hackathon 2025 Grand Finale- Software Edition



### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The Indian Institute of Technology Jammu has once again been selected as a Nodal Centre for the Grand Finale of the Smart India Hackathon (SIH) 2025 - Software Edition, scheduled for 8-9 December 2025. This marks the second consecutive year that IIT Jammu has been entrusted with this significant responsibility, reflecting its growing prominence in fostering innovation and technological excellence.

The Smart India Hackathon, organised by the Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell (MIC) and AICTE, is the nation's largest innovation-driven initiative. It offers young innovators a platform to solve real-world challenges posed by various government depart-

ments, public sector organisations, and industry partners. For SIH 2025, IIT Jammu will host 20 shortlisted teams from across India, who will work on four problem statements given by the National Technical Research Organisation (NTRO), focusing on critical technological needs of national importance.

To formally announce the nodal centre status, IIT Jammu held a press conference addressed by Col. Virender Singh Jeji (Registrar), Prof. M. T. Arvind (Chief Innovation Officer), and Dr. Vijay Pal (Institute Nodal Officer for SIH 2025). The speakers highlighted the meticulous planning underway for the Grand Finale, including dedicated mentoring and evaluation committees, round-the-clock technical and logis-

tical support, well-equipped workspaces, and an innovation-driven environment designed to encourage creativity and collaboration.

Adding to the excitement, Team Vision 2025 from Tamil Nadu interacted with DD News, sharing their enthusiasm for participating in the upcoming finale. A major highlight of SIH 2025 will be the nationwide interaction of students with the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, on 8 December-an inspirational moment eagerly awaited by participants.

IIT Jammu warmly invites both regional and national media to cover the event and showcase the spirit of innovation and youth-led problem-solving that the Smart India Hackathon continues to nurture across the country.

## Grandparents' Day celebration held at PWHS School



### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: PWHS School proudly celebrated Grandparents' Day, honouring the invaluable presence, wisdom and guidance of the senior-most members of our families. The event was organised to acknowledge the vital

role grandparents play in shaping character, values and emotional strength in children.

The programme featured certificate distribution for students, followed by a series of engaging games and activities designed specially for grandparents. As a gesture

of appreciation, gifts were presented to all grandparents attending the function.

The event commenced with a welcome address by the Principal, Anita Ambardar, who highlighted the importance of intergenerational bonding and family values.

The celebration concluded with a heartfelt Vote of Thanks delivered by the Academic Director, Mr. Arun Ambardar, expressing gratitude to grandparents, parents and students for making the occasion memorable.

PWHS School extends its best wishes to all grandparents and acknowledges their lasting contribution to the growth and well-being of every child.



Students honouring chief guest.

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: 'Nimble Feet Fitness Fest' celebrated annually by the Junior Wing of K.C. Public School, stands as a vibrant testament to the school's commitment toward nurturing discipline and fostering physical, mental and emotional well-being of its young learners. It was celebrated on Saturday on the Junior School ground. Vaibhav Kohli, Principal Secretary to LG of J&K, presided over the function as the Chief Guest. Raju Chowdhary, Chairman of KC Educational Society, Arti Chowdhary, Managing

Director of the School, Siddhant Chowdhary and Ria Chowdhary, Directors of school, AK Mishra, Principal of the School and Sanjay Pandey, Vice Principal of the School graced the occasion with their presence. The function commenced with lighting of the ceremonial lamp, followed by a welcome address by the Principal in which he thanked the Chief Guest and distinguished guests and parents for sparing their time to attend the event and encouraging the children by appreciating their efforts.

After the welcome address, Head Girl and Head Boy of the

Junior School presented a report on the activities conducted thus far in the current academic session. The main programme of the day consisted of an impressive demonstration of activities that form a regular part of the school's daily rhythm such as physical fitness, Yoga, creative dancing, group singing, skating, martial arts such as Wushu and Karate and recitation of cheer chants.

All these performances were meticulously prepared and received great applause from the audience.

In his address to the gather-

ing, the Chief Guest praised the school management, staff and students for doing a great job as an ideal school by adopting a holistic system of education and shaping careers and characters of the youth of J&K.

He exhorted the parent community to cooperate with the school in implementing its educational ideals successfully and guide their children in avoiding the pitfalls of the technologically advanced modern day world. The function concluded with singing of the school song and the national anthem.

## KPs express disappointment over Vivek Tankha's Bill not taken up in RS

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The displaced Kashmiri Pandit community has expressed serious disappointment over the failure to take up the "Recourse, Restitution, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Bill of 2022," drafted by MP Vivek Tankha, in the Rajya Sabha on December 5, 2025. The bill, listed at serial number 1 for discussion, had raised strong hopes among the community that their long-pending issues would finally receive attention.

In a heartfelt statement, the community acknowledged and appreciated Vivek Tankha's sincere efforts in preparing the bill, which they believe addresses their humanitarian concerns with depth and sensitivity. However, they were left disheartened when the bill was not taken up for discussion.

"I was a witness in the public gallery yesterday during the proceedings, only to get disappointed. Even the Shankaracharyas had blessed the bill through a public state-

ment," said Ravinder Pandita, President AIKS.

The Kashmiri Pandits, uprooted from their homeland for over 36 years, have once again appealed to the Government of India to urgently address their demands for recourse, restitution, rehabilitation, and resettlement. They reminded the government that it has been 17 years since the late Sushma Swaraj Committee's parliamentary report was submitted-yet it continues to gather dust without implementation.

They also noted that the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs is forwarding its recommendation on the subject to the Home Ministry, and expressed cautious optimism that the matter may return to the Upper House for consideration.

Reiterating their long-standing plea, the community urged the Government of India to help them reclaim their ethnic and cultural roots-roots that have enriched India's ethos, culture, and philosophy for millennia.

## Payal Sharma of Poonch Club wins gold at KIUG

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

POONCH: Proud moments for Shaheed DySP Manjit



Singh Memorial Volleyball Club, Poonch, and the volleyball fraternity of Jammu and Kashmir as trainee Payal Sharma clinched a gold medal at the Khelo India University Games in Rajasthan.

Representing Lovely Professional University, she showcased exceptional skill and determination, contributing significantly to the team's remarkable victory. Her achievement brings honour to Poonch and inspires young players across the UT, reflecting the club's dedication to nurturing sports talent.

## DC facilitates Taekwondo Champions

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

UDHAMPUR: Deputy Commissioner Udhampur Saloni Rai on Saturday felicitated two young Taekwondo champions and extended congratulations to their coaches and the entire supporting team for their remarkable achievement at the national level.

Shivansh Rajput (U-19 Boys, 45 kg) and Mohit Anthal (U-19 Boys, 55 kg) clinched gold medals at the 69th National School Games 2025 Taekwondo held in Jammu.

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**NOTICE SEEKING PUBLIC OPINION**  
Pursuant to the Guidelines of National Education Policy 2020, JKBOSE intends to implement a mechanism for offering two level Mathematics (Basic and Standard) for class 10th. The move is aimed at making Board Exams less stressful and to optimize the assessment as per the future academic interest for the students desirous to pursue Mathematics at Higher Secondary Level.  
Following is the proposed roadmap for implementation of the scheme:  
● There shall be a single examination comprising two levels of mathematics i.e Mathematics Basic and Mathematics Standard. The students shall have an option to choose any one (Level).  
● The difficulty level of the Mathematics-Standard exam shall be the same as the existing exam and the Mathematics-Basic Question paper will be easier in comparison.  
● The idea behind introducing the two levels or two Question papers of varied difficulty is that the students who do not study Mathematics after Class 10th need not to be tested for the standard skills.  
● The Standard level will be meant for students, who wish to opt for Mathematics at Sr. Secondary Level and the Basic Level would be for students not keen to pursue Mathematics at Higher Secondary level.  
● The syllabus, classroom teaching and internal assessment methods for both the levels will remain same to allow students study a range of topics and then decide upon the level for which they wish to appear during the Board Examination. Students, who opt for Mathematics-Standard and fail in the exam will be allowed to appear in the Bi-Annual Exam for Mathematics-Basic or Mathematics Standard. Students as per their choice i.e. Mathematics- Basic or Mathematics standard.  
● In case a student opts for Mathematics-Basic and passes in the exam but changes his/ her mind later and wishes to pursue Mathematics at Higher Level, they will be allowed to appear for Mathematics-Standard Compartment Exam.  
In order to generate informed opinion regarding the implementation of the scheme all stakeholders including civil society, academicians, parents, scholars, students, etc. are requested to mail their views within ten days from the issue of this notification at: [directoracad.jkbose@jk.gov.in](mailto:directoracad.jkbose@jk.gov.in), [dydirectorjd.jkbose@jk.gov.in](mailto:dydirectorjd.jkbose@jk.gov.in), [dydirectorkd.jkbose@jk.gov.in](mailto:dydirectorkd.jkbose@jk.gov.in)  
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**e-TENDER ABBREVIATED NOTICES**

For and on behalf of the Managing Director of Kashmir Power Distribution Corporation Limited Kashmir, the Purchaser, as specified in clause 1 of Bid Data Sheet, invite-tenders from original manufacturers /Authorized distributors having valid dealership certificates and letter of authorization from OEM (s) to bid for the instant tender for the supply following item.

S#	Material Description	Quantity	Reference to e-NIT	F O R (Consignee)
01	PURCHASE OF LED TORCHES FOR NIGHT OPERATION (RECHARGEABLE)	265 Nos.	SE/Proc/18/2025-26	ECSD Pampore

The complete tender documents are available at website <http://jktenders.gov.in>. Interested bidder/tenderers may view, download the e-Bid document, seek clarification and submit their Bids online up to the date and time mentioned in the table below. Bidding Documents contain Qualifying Criteria for Bidders, Specifications, Bill of Quantities, Terms and Conditions of Contract and other details.

i)	Date and Time of downloading/Sale (Start) of Tender Document	06/12/2025	09:00Hrs	
ii.)	Date & Time of Download/Sale (End) of Tender Document	26/12/2025	14:00Hrs	
iii)	Date & Time of Bidding Queries/Clarifications	06/12/2025 10:00 Hrs to 09/12/2025 16:00 Hrs		
iv)	Date & Time of Bid Uploading (Start/End)	10/12/2025 09:00 Hrs to 26/12/2025 14:00Hrs		
v)	Submission of Hard Copy (end) Date & Time only in respect of Tender fee and EMD	27/12/2025	in the office of Chief Engineer, Planning and Procurement, Bemina, Srinagar.	
vi)	Commercial/Technical Bid Opening Date & Time	27/12/2025	14:00 Hrs.	
vii)	Financial Bid Opening		Shall be declared later on for the technically qualified bidders	
viii)	Venue of Commercial/ Technical Bid Opening		Electronically in the Office of SE Procurement KPDCI Bemina.	

**Cost of Bidding Document and EMD**

IX	Cost of Bidding Document (In INR)		EMD (in INR)	
	OEMs of outside J&K and Authorized distributors	OEMs of J&K.	OEMs of outside J&K and All Authorized distributors	OEMs of J&K.
	500.00	500.00	11925.00	5000.00

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Dated: 06-12-2025

Sd/-  
Superintending Engineer  
Procurement Circle (KPDCI)