

J&K UT Silambam team selected for Nationals



Selected J&K UT Silambam team posing for a photograph with officials.

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JAMMU: J&K UT Silambam Team has been selected for participation in upcoming, Sub-Junior, Junior, Senior Men and Women Silambam Championship 2022 which is scheduled to be held at Kanyakumari Tamil Nadu from March 2 to 5, 2022.

The team has been selected after the screening which was conducted by Screening Committee of J&K Sports Council under the overall supervision of Ashok Singh, Divisional Sport Officer (DSO) in the presence of

Satish Gupta, Manager J&K Sports Council along with officials of J&K Sports Council including Joginder Kumar and Members of the Association Kaka Ram (General Secretary), Birinder Singh (President of the association) were present on the occasion.

Team (BOYS): Nikhil Manhas, Rohit Kumar, Nareish Kumar, Manik Singh, Vikran Singh, Shubam Kumar, Sharun Rana, Harshit Khajuria. Shubam Motton, Sanju Kumar, Aryan Singh, Krish Bhagat, Akshobya Rana, Gunuya

Singh, Faizan Fayaz, Anuj Puri, Prince Kaith, Jai Gupta, Yogesh Kumar, Chetan Puri, Shafaq Hamid, Mudasir Hussain Dar, Shubam Kumar Sharma, Mohd. Sameer, Naman Thakur, Vijay Kumar, Sahil Kumar, Yuvraj Singh, Tarun Sharma and Vivek Singh.

GIRLS: Ridhima Rana, Aarushi Charak, Vanshika Bhagat, Madhvi Parihar, Vaishnavi, Laxmi, Malika Bhagat, Nysa Raina, Tanzil Shabir, Mutaya Imtiyaz, Anishi Raina, Ritika Raina, Prachi Gupta and Sonia Sharma.

2nd Sunil Memorial Volleyball Tournament from Feb 26

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JAMMU: Smile Volleyball Club, Bakhta, a club affiliated with District Volleyball Association Kathua, will organize second Sunil Memorial Volleyball Tournament under the aegis of J&K Volleyball Association on February 26 and 27, 2022 at Volleyball grounds at Bakhta. In all, 15 volleyball teams of Kathua, Samba and Jammu districts are expected to participate in this tournament. Like previous year, the tournament organizing committee has announced handsome cash awards for winners, runners-up and other players.

Inspir Rashid nominated as Coach for Asian Cadet & Junior Fencing C'ship

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JAMMU: Inspector Rashid Ahmed Choudhary of Jammu & Kashmir Police nominated as Coach for Asian Cadet & Junior Fencing Championship at Tashkent, Uzbekistan. It is a matter of great pride for UT of J&K that Inspector Rashid Ahmed Choudhary of Jammu & Kashmir Police has been nominated by Fencing Association of India as Coach of the Indian Fencing Team for Asian Cadet & Junior Fencing Championship to be held at Tashkent, Uzbekistan from February 25 to March 4, 2022. Pertinent to mention here that Insp. Rashid Ahmed Choudhary is a member of Talent Identification Development Committee (TIDC) Khelo India Development Program. He is also an International Referee and recipient of State Award and Sher-e-Kashmir Award in the field of fencing sports. Members of the Adhoc Committee of J&K Amateur Fencing Association, Coaches, Senior fencers and all the sports fraternity of Jammu & Kashmir congratulated Inspector Rashid Ahmed Choudhary for this achievement and wished him good luck for the tournament.



APS BD Bari felicitates staff, meritorious students



Chairman APS BD Bari, Brig Anil Kakade posing with students and faculty members.

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SAMBA: Army Public School (APS) BD Bari on Wednesday organised felicitation ceremony of staff and meritorious students

Chairman of the School, Brig Anil Kakade was the Chief Guest and Meghna Kakade, President FWO was the Guest of Honour on the occasion. Col. D.J Ingawale, SO School was also present.

Under the guidance and efforts of Neeta Rawal, Principal APS BD Bari

today the school in all its solemnity and grandeur acknowledged the contribution of all those faculty members who have contributed their service to the organisation more than 10 years.

The function began with the mesmerising performance of the school orchestra followed by the felicitation of the meritorious students with cash incentives, certificates and medals by Meghna Kakade, President FWO.

Principal APS BD Bari,

Neeta Rawal as well as the nominated Staff was awarded with accolades and certificates for their dedication, devotion and the determination with which they contributed towards the growth of an organisation and children.

Chairman appreciated all the awardees and emphasized on the significant role of a Teacher as Guru. He urged all the students and teachers to do their best and feel proud to be the part of an Army Institution.

NSS unit of GGM Science College organises Waste Management workshop

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JAMMU: NSS unit of GGM Science College under the patronage of Principal Dr. Ravender Tickoo and guidance of NSS PO Dr. Deepali Mahajan organized Waste Management workshop on the fourth day of seven-day-long winter special camp.

Waste management deals with all types of waste, including industrial, biological, household, municipal, organic, biomedical, radioactive wastes.

The resource person Dr. Arti Sharma, Department of EVS beautifully explained the phenomenon of Waste management.



NSS volunteers posing with faculty members after the workshop.

It refers to the various schemes to manage and dispose of wastes. It can be by discarding, destroying, processing, recycling, reusing, or controlling wastes.

The prime objective of waste management is to reduce the

amount of unusable materials and to avert potential health and environmental hazards.

There are eight major categories of waste management, and each of them can be divided into numerous sub-categories. The categories include

source reduction and reuse, animal feeding, recycling, composting, fermentation, landfills, incineration, and land application.

Having a proper waste management can result in the availability of valuable materials to reuse. Reducing, reusing and recycling your waste is important for the environment, but it can also be profitable. It decreases the amount of waste for disposal, saves space in landfills, and conserves natural resources.

NSS volunteers using the principle reuse, recycle and reduce with their efforts used discarded items and made best out of it. The items were displayed in exhibition and were appreciated by Prof. Preeti Dogra and Dr. Arti Sharma, Dept. of EVS.

The workshop ended with the pledge "Think before you trash it. Don't trash our future-recycle".

YSS Cup 2021: Panchayat Chaktroo wins cricket tournament

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POONCH: Panchayat Chaktroo defeated Panchayat Fatehpur in the final and declared winner cricket tournament organized at Zone Sathra under the banner of YSS Cup 2021.

In the tournament around 96 players from six teams took part.

All the winner and runner-up teams from different events like volleyball, kabaddi, kho kho and cricket were awarded with trophies and mementos by the chief guest of the closing ceremony,



Participating teams posing with dignitaries and officials.

Faizal Hussain Qureshi, Sarpanch Sathra. Earlier, the Chief Guest

was honored with Shawl and bouquet by I/c ZPEO Sathra Kulwant Singh.

Bhour Camp team wins Shaurya Inter Panchayat Cricket Tournament



Winner and Runner-ups teams posing with dignitaries.

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JAMMU: Bhour Camp Team defeated Simbal Camp in the final and lifted the trophy of Shaurya Inter Panchayat Cricket Tournament organized by Banyan International School at Mini Stadium, Bhour Camp, here on Wednesday.

A total of nine teams giving a tough competition to each other in the tournament which started on February 22.

In the closing ceremony, the Chief Guest, Abhisheke

Abrol, Sub Divisional Magistrate (SDM) Gadigarh gave away the trophies to the winner and runner-up teams in presence of Guests of Honour, Sarpanch Avtar Singh (Bhour Camp) and Sarpanch Ravinder Singh (Simbal Camp).

Hardeep Singh from Chatha Team, Vikash from Simbal Team, Jagranjot from Bhour Camp Team, Mohit from Simbal Team and Hanny Singh from Bhour Camp Team were declared as the Man of the Match in

respective matches. Jagranjot Singh of Bhour Camp team was declared as Man of the Series.

Other dignitaries present were Harinder Mahajan Chairman of the School, Sahil Mahajan Vice Chairman of the school and Rajesh Gandral, Principal of the school.

The Chairman of the school said that sports play an important and active role in our lives and it keeps the zest alive in us to remain energetic and young.

He also sensitized the youth against the evil of drug abuse. He said that the drug is destroying the lives of our youth and putting their future in the great darkness. To get rid of drug abuse, sports can play a vital role in channelizing the energy of today's youth.

Sports infrastructure development a priority: LG Mathur

» LSRC men, Kharu Eves emerge winner in 2nd LG Cup Ice Hockey C'ship «



LSRC men team receiving trophy from Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh, RK Mathur.

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LEH: Participation of players from grass-root level, development of infrastructure and providing equipment to players would play a pivotal role in building a strong sporting base in Ladakh in the coming years, said the Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh, RK Mathur, during the men's final match in the 2nd Lieutenant Governor Cup

Ice Hockey Championship that was won by Ladakh Scouts Regimental Centre (LSRC) at the NDS Ice Hockey Rink. Earlier, the Kharu women's team won the women's trophy.

Congratulating all the participating teams, LG Mathur stated that the level and quality of the game has shown improvement since the first edition of the LG Cup. While congratulating the Ladakh women's

team that recently won the national women's ice hockey championship at Kaza, LG Mathur stated that the achievements show the potential and attraction for ice hockey in Ladakh.

Highlighting the initiatives taken to promote sports in Ladakh, viz. development of Astro turf football stadium, syn-

thetic track, development of Winter Sports Academy at Zaskar and Drass and preparation of ice hockey rinks in Leh and Kargil where ice hockey may be played around the year, etc., LG Mathur stated that efforts are being made to develop ice hockey rink of international standard sizes in 10 subdivisions and 31 blocks in Leh and Kargil.

He further stated that sports is being promoted in all schools in Ladakh. He also shared that efforts would be made to complete the roofing and mechanic chilling plant project at Leh at a cost of about Rs 50 crores at the earliest. Earlier, Secretary, Youth Services and Sports, Ravinder Kumar, gave the welcome speech.

A total of nine teams participated in the men's category, whereas five teams took part in the women's category.

Geetu Sharma qualifies Ph.D

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JAMMU: Geetu Sharma, daughter of Baldev Raj Sharma and Nirmala Kumari and wife of Jatinder



Paul has been declared qualified for the award of Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) in Geography from J.S University, Shikohabad, UP.

She worked on the topic "Role of tourism in the economic development of Jammu and Kashmir" under the supervision of Dr. Netrapal Singh Yadav, Associate Professor, Department of Geography, J.S University, Shikohabad, UP.

Senior men's Chess team leaves for Kanpur



Senior Men's Chess team posing for a photograph.

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JAMMU: Senior men chess team of Jammu and Kashmir today left for participation in the Rs 30 lakh prize money National Championship to be held at Kanpur from February 25 to March three.

Earlier, the team, selected by All J&K Chess Association (AJKCA) screened by the officials of the J&K Sports Council (KSC) led by Manager Satish Gupta.

Also present were president of the AJKCA, Atul Kumar Gupta and secretary Udhampur District Chess Association, Ajit

Singh. The team comprised young J&K Champion, Soham Kamotra, Sumit Grover, Ashutosh Jamwal and Khalid Amin.

"We have good chances of winning the titles in the upcoming event because of the fact that experienced Sumit Grover and talented Soham are confident to give their best," said Atul Kumar Gupta.

The National event wherein around 300 players from almost all the states of the country are taking part shall have 30 Grand Masters (GM) and 45 International Masters (IM).

Vipin invited as official for North Zone Handball event

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JAMMU: Qualified official from Department of Youth Services and Sports (DYSS) and senior Handball player from district Udhampur, Vipin Photra has been made part of the technical panel by the Punjabi University Patiala in Punjab.

Punjabi University is hosting the North Zone Inter-University Handball Tournament in women section on campus.

The Punjabi University



had requested for services of Vipin Photra and the same have been placed at the disposal of the sports

department of the institution of higher education by the DYSS.

"For sure, the experience gained by Vipin would help promote the game of Handball in district Udhampur and also within the DYSS. An REK with the department, Vipin is a devoted senior player to the game of Handball and has been instrumental in training young players from the district," informed international Handball player from J&K, Gourav Sharma.

Indian squad for Triangular Series for Blind announced

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JAMMU: Cricket Association for the Blind in India (CABI) has picked 17-member squad for the upcoming triangular T20 Series which will be played at UAE from March 13 to March 19 involving Bangladesh and Pakistan being other teams.

Triangular Series will have a total of six league matches and the final which will be played on March 19. The Tournament

is organized by the Friends and Well Wishers of Cricket for the Blind from UAE to promote cricket for the blind. The matches will be played at Skyline University College Campus Sharjah. The Indian squad will also undergo a 10-day coaching camp at Bengaluru from March one to March 11. The Indian Squad: Kalpesh Nimbadkar (Gujarat) B1, Venkateswara Rao (Andhra Pradesh) B1, Sujith

Munda (Jharkhand) B1, Basappa Waddagol (Karnataka) B1, Prem Kumar (Andhra Pradesh) B1, Praveen Kumar Sharma (Haryana) B1, D Venkateswara Rao (Andhra Pradesh) B2, A Maneesh (Kerala) B2, Irfan Diwan (Delhi) B2, Nakul Badanayaka (Odisha) B2, Lokesh (Karnataka) B2, Deepak Malik (Haryana) B3, Prakasha Jayaramaiah (Karnataka) B3, Sunil Ramesh (Karnataka) B3,

Durga Rao (Andhra Pradesh) B3, Chandan (Uttar Pradesh) B3, Rambir (Haryana) B3.

Dr Mahantesh G. Kivadasannavar, president CABI and Founder Managing Trustee Samarthanam thanked the friends from UAE for taking the initiative in promoting Cricket for the Blind and helping cricketers to exhibit their talents which will help the players to shine at the higher level.

Badminton Championship for the students of Doda district.

The final match was played at Indoor Badminton Court Sarna Battalion Headquarters here on Wednesday. The badminton championship, in which 50 girls from different schools, colleges and Bhadarwah Campus participated, was organized to promote sports and to groom the hidden talent of girls. The Badminton Championship garbed attention of the girl students and their parents as they converged in large numbers at throughout the tournament to support and encourage their players.

In the finals, Shilpa and Navika defeated Minal and Isha in straight sets and won the championship with 21-16

and 21-15 sets.

Beside trophies and medals to the winners and runners up, certificates, track suits and sport shoes were distributed among all the participants.

Kajal Devi of Bhadarwah Campus was adjudged as the best player of the tournament.

Army appreciated the players, who showed keen interest and came in such a large number to participate in the tournament. Participants, their parents and teachers expressed gratitude to the army for organizing the event and lauded District sports authority, Badminton clubs, Principals of schools and college for helping army in organising more such events and bringing together players from across the villages to participate in the event.