

72nd All India Police Hockey Championship

Hat tricks help Kerala, BSF register big wins

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JAMMU: Hat tricks from star performers Haridass M of Kerala Police and Hatinder Singh of Border Security Force (BSF) powered their respective teams to make it big wins in the group matches on day two of the ongoing 72nd All India Police Hockey Championship, organised by J&K Police at K K Hakku Stadium, here today.

Haridass M added three goals to the existing score of two thereby helped Kerala Police make it a 5-0 win against Railway Protection Force (RPF). Other goals came through Praveen Kumar and Midhun M K. Considering his performance,



Participating team posing for a photograph at KK Hakku Stadium, Jammu on Wednesday.

Haridass was obvious choice for player of the match which was presented by special guest, Kulbir Handa, Deputy Commandant IRP 18th Bn.

In other match, the formidable side of BSF trounced Haryana Police 7-1. It was Hatinder Singh, who made

it a big win with his hat trick. Vishal Sharma netted two goals while Kanwarpal Singh and Amit Saroha added a goal each. For his hat trick, Hatinder was declared man of the match. Special guest, Rajesh Sandal, SP IRP 12th Bn presented the player of the

match award. Meanwhile, in women section two scheduled league matches played at K K Hakku Stadium wherein Tamil Nadu Police defeated Himachal Pradesh Police 5-0 while Maharashtra Police trounced Gujarat Police 4-1.

Other (League) Results: MEN: SSB bt Chhattisgarh Police 14-0. Divit Bisht (five goals), L Joychandra Singh (one); A Santi Kumar Sharma (two); Praveen Chauhan (two); Amit Kumar (one); Ajit Singh (two) and Naveen Kumar (one). Gujarat Police bt Chandigarh Police 2-0. Kaushik Bhai Rathva and Rohit Bhai Thakur were the scorers. Uttar Pradesh Police blanked Uttarakhand Police 15-0. Ankit Kumar Prajapati (two goals); Shakib Mewati (three goals); Haris Mohammad (eight goals); Arun Sahani (one goal); Rahul Yadav (one goal); Rajiv Ranjan (one goal).

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SRINAGAR: Pencak Silat Association of J&K is going to conduct the Open Selection trials for both boys and girls for all age groups viz Singa Macan, Pre Teen, Sub Junior Junior and Senior on February 7, 2024 at Sher-e-Kashmir Indoor Stadium Srinagar, prior to the participation of J&K UT teams in the 1st All India Pencak Silat Championship 2023-24, which is scheduled to be held at Nanded in Maharashtra from February 17 to 19, 2024.

According to a handout issued by the Association, a player should carry a valid ID proof & age proof duly recommended from his/her district head along

with a parent declaration and a medical and health & insurance certificate and other related documents like two passport size photographs after receiving all the documents, the player is eligible for the selection trials. It is advised to all the affiliated District Pencak Silat Associations.

Moreover, the selection trials of vacant weight categories/class or event, if any for the 7th Pencak Silat Federation Cup 2023-24 for Junior and Senior (Male and Females) will also be held during the trials on February 7, 2024, if anyone of the athlete, who had already played Junior National Pencak Silat Championship 2023 at Patna Bihar and Senior

National Pencak Silat Championship 2023 at Nashik Maharashtra may cancel his/ her participation if any of their personal reasons. No boarding, Lodging or any Transportation will be provided during the trials. Selected athletes will face the screening team of J&K Sports Council on February 8, 2024.

All the interested athletes are requested to kindly follow the procedure as per the rules and regulation laid down in this notice.

For further details, players desirous to take part in the trials can contact Nassir Ahmad Digoo, President of the Association on 9797194893, 9622422766 or jksilat@gmail.com.

HPS girls bag 2nd position in patriotic song singing competition



HPS faculty felicitating winner students.

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SAMBA: In a harmonious celebration of patriotism and music talent, girls of Humanity Public School (HPS), Bassi Kalan, Bari Brahmana procured second position and cash prize of Rs 10,000 in Patriotic song singing competition at Divisional level in view of Republic Day celebration recently.

The event was successfully organised online by Directorate of Information & Public Relations, Jammu and Kashmir Government.

The winners of the competition were Sonia (7th), Akriti (8th), Anshika (8th), Nandini (8th), Pallavi (8th) and Sheetal (8th). The girls were trained under the guidance of music teachers, Rajan and Abhilash.

The cash prize of Rs 10,000 was awarded to the School Principal, Gaurav Charak by LG Manoj Sinha on the eve of Beating Retreat at MA Stadium, Jammu.

All the winners have been felicitated in a special assembly by School Principal, Gaurav Charak and Vice-Principal, Anku Charak in the presence of all the students, staff and faculty for their effort and dedication.

Gaurav Charak encouraged and applauded the students and the teachers' trainees to carry their zeal into their future roles and emphasized the importance of their responsibilities towards nurturing future generation with a strong sense of love for their country.

U-23 Men's CK Nayudu Trophy Hyderabad gains 1st innings lead, earns 3 points

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JAMMU: After scoring massive 467 runs in the first innings, Hyderabad bundled out Jammu and Kashmir for 178 runs to gain a vital first innings lead and earn three points in the U-23 Men's CK Nayudu Trophy at Jammu University Ground, here.

Riding on magnificent batting display by centurion and skipper Himateja K, Hyderabad scored 467 runs. Himateja scored 139 runs off 233 deliveries, studied with 20 fours, while Nitin Sai Yadav and Gourav Reddy contributed 86 and 75 runs to the total respectively.

For J&K, Vanshaj Sharma took 4 wickets, while Mujtaba Yousuf bagged 3 wickets. Vishal Kumar claimed 2 wickets and Kawal Preet Singh took one.

In reply, J&K scored 178 runs to concede a huge first innings lead to Hyderabad. Yawer Hassan top scored with 40 runs off 70 balls studied with 4 fours and 2 sixes, while Arya Thakur and Kawal Preet Singh contributed 25 and 21 runs to the total respectively.

Nitin Sai Yadav took 4 wickets for Hyderabad while Ilyaan bagged 3 and Aniket Reddy claimed 2 wickets.

KCPS swimmers shine at Khelo India Competition

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JAMMU: Three swimmers from K C Public School (KCPS) namely Chitragana, Prajal Gupta and Vanshika Gusain participated in the prestigious Khelo India Swimming Series 1 Championship which was held at Talkatora stadium, New Delhi from January 21 to 24, 2024.

Vanshika Gusain of Class 7 won bronze medal and a cash prize of Rs 6000.

Competing against some of the finest young swimmers from across the nation, Vanshika showcased extraordinary skill, determination, and a relentless quest for excellence throughout the tournament. Vanshika has been mentored by the school swimming coach Babita.

Principal, Amarendra Kumar Mishra remarked "We are incredibly proud of Vanshika's outstanding accomplishments. Her dedication, hard work, and talent have truly paid off. This achievement not only reflects her personal growth but also highlights the school's commitment to supporting sports and athletic development."

Chairman Raju Chowdhary, Vice Chairman Arjun Chowdhary, MD Arti Chowdhary, Principal Amarendra Kumar Mishra and Vice Principal Sanjay Pandey congratulated the swimmers and wished them luck for the next round of the national championship.



Winner swimmer posing with faculty member.

Sonali Sharma qualifies Ph.D

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KATRA: Sonali Sharma, Research Student, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU), has been declared qualified for the award of the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Mathematics. Sonali worked on the topic, "A study of difference sequence spaces and their Characteristics", under the supervision of Dr. Kuldeep Raj, Faculty, School of Mathematics, SMVDU.

GHSS Paloura bids adieu to retiring PE lecturer

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JAMMU: Amarjit Singh Isher (Physical Education Lecturer in Government Higher Secondary School (GHSS), Paloura) was accorded a warm farewell on his superannuation after completing about 33 years of service in different capacities (PET, PEM, PEL, NCC Officer, Writer, Hockey Player and Coach).

He won numerous medals and prizes in the field of sports. A grand function was organized in the school premises in the honour of



Principal GHSS Paloura, Shikha Malhotra presenting flower pot to Amarjit Singh Isher PEL at farewell function.

Amarjit Singh Isher under the guidance of the School Principal Shikha Malhotra. Family members of

Amarjit Singh, dignitaries from Department of Youth Services & Sports, staff members & students attended the function.

Shivani wins 3 medals in National Climbing event

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JAMMU: Ace sport climber of J&K, Shivani Charak added two more medals to her kitty to make it three in the 4th Tata Steel Sport Climbing Championship, organised by Tata Steel Adventure Foundation at TSAF Sport Climbing Training Centre, Bistupur in Jamshedpur.

After winning gold in Lead and Bouldering (combined) on the opening day, Shivani clinched Silver in Speed Climbing and a Bronze in Speed Relay on the last day of the event. She was honoured with a total cash prize



Shivani Charak with three medals at the Tata Steel Sport Climbing Championship, Jamshedpur.

of Rs.33000 for the three medals, reports reaching here informed.

Meanwhile, members of the Mountaineering Association of J&K (MAJK) led by

ICSE School, Jammu congratulated Shivani for the splendid feat in the National event, the biggest Sport Climbing competition in India which carried a total prize money to the tune of Rs.6.50 lakh.

"Now, Shivani Charak, a Cancer Survivor who is the top ranked sport climber of India shall proceed to Pune where she has been invited as a guest of honour for UMEED Cancer Support Forum Marathon-'Umeed KiRun', to be held at Pune on February 4, on the occasion of World Cancer Day," disclosed Ram Khajuria.

INDI Alliance fragmentation to be felt in J&K soon: Rana

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REASI: Senior BJP leader Devender Singh Rana on Wednesday predicted rumblings of INDI Alliance fragmentation at the National level will be felt in its Jammu and Kashmir camp soon, as the allies have come together just due to hate-Modi syndrome and their lust for power, which they believe as matter of right for dynasties. While for the BJP it is the Nation First and for these opportunists it is the self and family First and so are destined to fall apart soon, he said.

Speaking at Shakti Vandan Workshop at BJP Headquarters, Reasi, Rana said the traditional arch rivals have joined hands following humiliating rejection by the people for pursuing opportunistic politics and indulging in nepotism and favouritism.

"Like INDI Alliance's now faltered convergence



Senior BJP leader Devender Rana addressing gathering.

despite ideological divergence, the J&K allies too are destined to break and fail, given the indifference of people towards their reactionary tendencies that put Kashmir on the boil," Rana said, adding that the politically sagacious citizens of Jammu and Kashmir still remember how National Conference used to fondly refer its now partners as 'worms of gutter'. What a travesty of compulsion, frustration and dejection that those using choicest invectives against each other over

the years were now indulging in worse type of opportunism to seek some sort of relevance and acceptability in the local politics, he observed.

Devender Rana said that as the INDI Alliance partners were struggling to remain together across the country after its founder Nitish Kumar dumped the conglomerate, the Jammu and Kashmir allies too are poised to shatter on the face of indifference of the people, who have developed stakes

in peace for continuity of development besides tourism and economic activities. The actors who instigated unrest, encouraged stone-pelting and enforced Hartal culture in the Valley for furthering their political agendas bringing misery to the people stand exposed and rejected. The people also know the difference registered during the past four years with peace delivering dividends in terms of humming businesses and economic activities without obstacles of uncertainty, he added.

He said the people of Jammu and Kashmir understand the intent of Prime Minister Narendra Modi in transforming Jammu and Kashmir from terror hotspot to tourism hub-be it pilgrim tourism or adventure and sports tourism. This has actually happened on ground zero, bringing

cheer in the lives of the people. He said the decisive and bold leadership of the Prime Minister has rekindled hope among the people about peace getting impetus, paving way for this part becoming proud and proactive partner in the country's growth story, he maintained.

Rana said the people's hopes with the BJP have added more responsibilities on the rank and file besides the government, which has been working in a mission mode to come to their expectations as per the Prime Minister's cherished agenda Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas, Sabka Prayas, he added.

Rana said that inclusive and equitable development is the only mantra to steer ahead and carving out Naya Jammu Kashmir. The BJP remains committed to the principles of unity, development, and progress, he said,

adding this is reflecting from the endeavours being made by the Prime Minister, who has been working tirelessly to ensure that the aspirations of every citizen are met, and the nation continues its journey towards India becoming Viksit and Atamnirbhar.

Prominent among those present on the occasion included Rohit Dubey, Zila Pardhan, Arvind Gupta, Parbhari, Baldev Raj Sharma, Ex MLA, Kuldeep Dubey, Ritu Thakur, Zila Pardhan Mahila Morcha, Neelam Devi, Sukhdev Singh, Zila Mahamantri, Romail Singh, Reeta Devi DDC Pouni, Raj Kumar DDC Arnas, Neelma Devi DDC Katra, Ashok Singh BDC Bhagga, Neena Devi BDC Arnas, Padam Dev Singh, Shiv Kumar Sharma, Vijay Paroch, Sakshi Gupta, Kabla Singh and others.

Farewell accorded to retiring employees of SKUAST-J



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JAMMU: Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology-Jammu (SKUAST-J) on Wednesday accorded a farewell to the retiring employees at a function held here at Conference Hall at SKUAST-J Chatha, here. The function was organized under the leadership of Prof. B. N. Tripathi, Vice Chancellor, SKUAST-Jammu who was the Chief Guest on the occasion. During the function, Gurdeep Singh, Accounts Officer, Faculty of Agriculture/ Estate Division, Er. Ashish Katoch, Technical Officer, KVK, Jammu and Tirath Ram Sharma, Sr. Technician, Division of Veterinary Microbiology, EV.Sc. & A.H. were felicitated for contribution in their respective fields. Prof. B. N. Tripathi, Vice Chancellor, SKUAST-Jammu presided over the function and congratulates all the retiring employees and wish them healthy and happy post retired life. The function was also attended by Dr. S. K. Gupta, Director Research, Dr. S. E. H. Rizvi, Dean, Faculty of Basic Sciences and other statutory officers of the University. Faculty members and non-teaching staff of SKUAST-J were also present on the occasion. Proceedings of the programme were conducted by Dr. Vivak M Arya, Associate Professor, FoA.

Ration cards for E-Shram workers in Jammu District: Camps on Feb 2-3

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JAMMU: The Department of Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, in coordination with the Department of Labour and Employment and the District Administration Jammu, is going to issue ration cards to the eligible E-Shram workers in Jammu District, as per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. The E-Shram card holders can now get their

ration cards, through the camps on Feb 2-3, as per their eligibility under the National Food Security Act (NFSA). These camps are being organised at various locations of respective Tehsil Supply Officers/Area Inspectors offices, all eligible beneficiaries can approach their respective Area Inspectors at Directorate office Near Nehru Market, Warehouse for city areas or TSO Offices in rural areas.

BJP's 'Lotus' will bloom with majority in upcoming polls 2024

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JAMMU: Eye on Parliamentary polls, Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) District President Jammu South, Rekha Mahajan expressed confidence that people will elect a stable and inclusive government and help realize the BJP's resolve of service, good governance, and development under Modi's leadership.

While launching the party's wall printing campaign by drawing a picture of its poll symbol, 'lotus', Rekha Mahajan set the slogan 'Ek Baar Phir Se Modi Sarkar' (Once again a Modi govern-



BJP leaders launching party's wall printing campaign by drawing a picture of its poll symbol, 'lotus'.

ment) in Bahu Constituency in the esteem presence of BJP stalwart leader and former Dy CM J&K Kavinder Gupta, Prabhari Jammu South Ayodhya Gupta, District General Secretary

Akash Chopra, District Mahila Morcha President Divya Jain, Ex Councillor Narinder Singh, Sarojini Sharma, and others were present on the occasion.

After participating in the

campaign, Kavinder Gupta appealed to people to ensure a historic win for the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) in the upcoming general election and make Narendra Modi, the Prime Minister for a third straight term to ensure that the pace of development and global recognition of the country continues unabated.

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Rekha Mahajan said a sim-

ilar exercise will be organized at every polling booth across the country in the run-up to the Lok Sabha polls expected to be held in April-May.

She counted that the party's election campaign will be mounted on two pillars, the achievements and leadership of the Narendra Modi government in the last two terms and the promise of building on the foundations laid so far.

Rekha enlightened that these District Jammu South mandals, morchas, wards, and special floor booths have the task of taking that message to the electorate on the

ground level for the 2024 parliamentary upcoming polls.

Rekha also underlines the process of ensuring full delivery of all government schemes has already begun in the form of Viksit Bharat Yatra, and Jammu South all morchas will reach out to the beneficiaries of these schemes to secure their support and seek their feedback. She said beneficiaries, or 'labharatis', have emerged as a crucial support base for the BJP over the last ten years of successful good governance under the umbrella of intellectual PM Narendra Modi.