

# JKPS Kunjwani shines in Sahodaya Inter-school Roller Skating Championship

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: In the recently held Inter-School Roller Skating Championship, Gurtej Singh of JK Public School (JKPS) Kunjwani won two gold medals and brought laurels to the school.

The event held at JKPS Kathua on February 10, 2024 witnessed a display of exceptional skills and determination from young skaters from top notched CBSE schools.

Gurtej Singh's outstanding performance and unwavering commitment to the sports propelled him to the top of the podium in two thrilling events. His graceful and powerful strides mesmerized the audience as he left a trail of supremacy on the skating rink.

The roller skating championship brought together participants from various schools, each showcasing their prowess in different categories.



JK Public School Kunjwani faculty felicitating a medal winner student.

Gurtej Singh's exemplary display of sportsmanship and skill has not only brought pride to JK Public School Kunjwani but also set a benchmark for aspiring skaters in the region.

Director JK Educational Society, Shashi Chaudhary and Principal Rajesh Rathore congratulated the winner and felicitated in the school

assembly. They lauded school coach, Varun Anand for training the student.

Rajesh Rathore, Principal of JK Public School Kunjwani, expressed his elation on Gurtej Singh's remarkable achievement stating, "We are immensely proud of Gurtej's exceptional performance in the Inter-School Roller Skating

Championship. His dedication and hard work have shone through and we congratulate him on this well-deserved success".

Gurtej Singh's feat stands as a testament to the school's commitment to nurturing all-round excellence among its students. Through rigorous training and unwavering support, JK Public School

Kunjwani continues to foster a culture of sportsmanship and achievement.

Gurtej Singh's triumph serves as an inspiration for the entire student body and reflects the school's endeavors to foster a spirit of determination, resilience and pursuit of excellence in roller skating.

As he basks in the glory of his victory, Gurtej Singh remains a shining example of the school's mission to empower young minds to reach for the stars and conquer their dreams.

JK Public School Kunjwani is a premier educational institution dedicated to providing a holistic learning experience and fostering a culture of excellence in academics, sports and co-curricular activities. With a commitment to nurturing talent and instilling values of integrity and resilience, the school aims to shape future leaders and contributors to society.

# Warpora Club wins Budgam Volleyball trophy



Winner team receiving trophy from the chief guest.

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
SRINAGAR: Warpora Volleyball Club clinched the District Budgam Junior Volleyball Championship which was organised by District Budgam Volleyball Association under the banner of Volleyball Association of J&K in collaboration with Kashmir Elite Industries at Indoor Complex, here.

In the final, Warpora Club defeated Chattergam

Volleyball Club 2-1 (25-12, 12-25, 15-08). Earlier, in the first semifinal, Warpora Club outplayed Kashmir Elite Junior Club 2-1 (25-18, 22-25, 15-11) while Chattergam Club trounced Paller VB Club 2-0 (25-19, 25-23).

In total, 18 teams, including two in girls section, took part in this championship, a handbook issued by the Association here on Monday claimed.

Special guests, Arshid Ahmad, President of Budgam Volleyball Association and prominent citizen Nabi Ganie felicitated the winners and runners-up with title trophies.

Arshid Ahmad Wani, speaking on the occasion, urged upon the participants to contribute their might for making the Nation healthy and stronger by staying away from drug menace.

# KNIT organises 'Farewell Fete' for outgoing students



**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Kotwal National Institute of Teaching (KNIT), B-11, Bharat Nagar Talab Tillo organized a heart throbbing farewell party to bid adieu to the outgoing 12th Class batch.

The mermerising programme was displayed by the 11th Class students dedicated to the years spent together with teachers and students reminiscing the good days. The Juniors held a colourful cultural fest comprising dances, songs,

skit and above all 'Pariksha pe Charcha' was held where in the students queries related to examination preparation were answered and guided by Esteemed Director KNIT Prof J.L Kotwal.

The Junior students showcased their love and warmth by selecting Smarthjeet Singh (12th) as Mr. KNIT and Mehak (12th) as Ms. KNIT. Also the outgoing students were honoured with Achievement Medals and certificate of Merit in dif-

ferent sports and co-curricular activities throughout the session.

Principal, Bimla Blawria, stressed on the values of imbibed during their presence in the school and asked students to leave everlasting impressions in the fields, they move to in future.

Director Prof. J.L Kotwal guided, motivated and urged the students to excel not only in their Board Examinations but also in their lives by becoming trustworthy and responsible citizens.

# KPPL Edition-4: Lalitaditya CC outplays Sharda Club by 6 wkts in inaugural tie

## BNCC, Sharda script victories

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Lalitaditya Cricket Club defeated Sharda Cricket Club by 6 wickets in the inaugural match of Kashmiri Pandit Premier League Edition-4 at KC Sports Club here tonight.

Batting first, Sharda Cricket Club scored a modest total of 106 runs in the stipulated 20 overs, losing 9 wickets in the process.

Rohit Raina was the top scorer with 35 runs off 36 balls studded with 6 boundaries.

For Lalitaditya Cricket Club, Dileep Dhar and Sunny Bhan took 3 wickets each by giving away 16 runs in their 4 overs.

In reply, Lalitaditya CC chased the target easily in 13.2 overs by losing 4 wickets to win the match by 6 wickets.

Vishu top scored with power-packed 38 runs off 19 balls, studded



A player receiving Man of the Match award.

with 3;fours and 3 sixes, while Susheetal Dhar contributed brisk 22 runs off 13 balls with 2 fours and one six.

For Sharda Cricket Club, Vinod Jotshi took 2 wickets by conceding

18 runs in his 3 overs.

In the other match played today, BNCC registered a thrilling victory over VR Events by 2 runs.

Batting first, BNCC scored 117 runs in 20 overs. Sagar Pandita top scored with 34 runs off 31 balls studded with 5 boundaries.

For VR Events, Vicky Bhat and Vishal took 3 wickets each.

In reply, VR Events fell short of just two runs, scoring 115 for all, thus lost the match in a thrilling contest by 2 runs. Praful Dhar played a brilliant innings of 46 runs off 37 balls, studded with 6 fours and one six, while Vishal contributed 23 off 20 balls with 3 boundaries.

Sandeep Dhar was the pick of the bowlers for BNCC, who took 3 wickets by conceding 11 runs.

In yet another match of the day, Sharda Cricket Club thrashed Moon Strikers Cricket Club by 9 wickets.

Batting first, Moon Strikers Cricket Club scored 90 runs in 20 overs. Deepak (27) and Ishant Sehgal (14) were the main contributors.

Vizy took 3 wickets for Sharda Cricket Club, while King Ji and Hitesh claimed 2 wickets each.

In reply, Sharda Cricket Club chased the target easily in 10 overs, losing one wicket in the process, thus won the match by 9 wickets. Vinod Koul top scored with unbeaten 48 runs, while Rahul contributed unbeaten 26 runs to the total.

For Moon Strikers, Rajat claimed the lone wicket to fall.

The Tournament is being organised by Lalitaditya Sports, Education and Health Organisation under the overall supervision of its President Anil Bhat, assisted by Vinay Koul, Ashish Kachroo, Ankur Bagati and Deepak Raina.

# Men's U-23 CK Nayudu Trophy Vishal, Janib share honours; J&K-Gujarat match hangs in balance

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
VALSAD: Left-arm spinner Vishal Kumar and right-arm off-spinner Janib Javaid shared honours by taking 5 wicket hauls as the Men's U-23 CK Nayudu Trophy match between Jammu and Kashmir and Gujarat was almost equally poised at stumps on day-2 at Sardar Patel Stadium, Valsad, Gujarat on Monday.

Chasing a target of 332 runs, Jammu and Kashmir were 93/3 at the end of days play today.

Skipper Shivansh Sharma was at the crease on 31 runs, while Kanhaiya Wadhawan was unbeaten on 23 runs. Rihdam Sharma (23), Qazi Junaid (6) and batting mainstay Yawer Hassan (6) were the three batters sent back to the pavilion.

Shen Patel, YD Zala and SM Prajapati claimed one wicket each for Gujarat. Earlier, on day-1, Gujarat after batting first, bundled out for paltry 104 runs as Vishal Kumar, Janib Javaid and Basit Bashir bagged 4, 3 and 2 wickets respectively, while in reply J&K collapsed at 100, thus conceding a slender lead of 4 runs to Gujarat as YD Zala captured 6 wickets and Jay Malusare bagged 2. Gujarat in the second essay rode on Rishi Patel's 123 off 177 balls studded with 10 fours and 3 sixes, to score a good total of 335 runs. YD Zala also scored 51 runs. For J&K, Vishal Kumar captured 5 wickets by conceding 103 runs in 36 overs, while Janib Javaid bagged 5 wickets by giving away 103 runs in 25.3 overs.

With two days of play left in the match, J&K still needed 247 runs for victory, while Gujarat needed 7 wickets.



# 41st Annual Prize Distribution function Tawi Trekkers honours top India Climber Shivani

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Tawi Trekkers J&K celebrated its 41st Annual Prize Distribution function in an impressive manner at Amar Singh Club, here amidst felicitations of Sport climbers, mountaineers, institutions which promote adventure activities and prominent members.

Commissioner Secretary, General Administration Department (GAD), Saneev Verma was chief guest. Anil Goswami, former Union Home was the presiding guest, Ashwani Sharma, former MLA and patron of the club was guest of honour.

The main attraction of the function was Shivani Charak, the top ranked women sport climber of India who has become the first ever and the only female athlete of J&K to participate in the Asian Games during the last 75 years. Shivani was honoured with a special cash prize of



Tawi Trekkers J&K honouring Sport climbers, mountaineers, institutions which promote adventure activities and prominent members.

Rs. 11000.

Five mountaineers Sumit Khajuria, Manik Slathia, Shilpa Charak, Shashi Kant Sharma and Sonam Siddharth, who sealed over 20000 ft high Kang Yatse peak in Ladakh were also honoured with glittering prizes along with Wing Commander Rajesh Mukhi who trekked to the base camp of Mount Everest and also sealed Island peak (20500 ft) in the Everest

region.

The 'Narinder Singh Dedication Award' instituted in 2023 to commemorate the remarkable contribution and unwavering dedication of late Narinder Singh Slathia towards the club was presented to Vivek Chauhan, Principal of Oriental Academy Senior Secondary School, Jammu who embodies a great spirit of self less service and passion for the Club.

Sprawling Buds ICSE School, Bantalab, Jammu was also presented 'Dedication Award' for outstanding services to the cause of Adventure and as a token of club's gratitude and appreciation for providing a climbing wall and an international standard 'Finger Board' besides a substantial financial support to the club for other adventure activities.

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Earlier, Shivani Charak, general secretary of the club highlighted the achievements during the current year and thanked different agencies and institutions for their support.

Vote of thanks proposed by Zorawar Singh Jamwal, co-chairman of the Club. The function was nicely anchored by senior member of the Club, Arti Sharma.

Prominent among others present on the occasion included patron of the club Rahul Sharma; co-chairman of the Club, Zorawar Singh Jamwal; advisor of the Club, Prof Lalit Magotra, president Dogri Samstha Jammu; Parveen Sharma, Chairman, The Citizen's Co-operative Bank Ltd.; Shiv Kumar Sharma, former Joint Secretary J&K Sports Council; president and general secretary of the club Ram Khajuria and Shawetia Khajuria respectively besides other office bearers of the club and Mountaineering Association of J&K.

# Union Secy, CS co-chair Executive Committee level meeting to review preparations for Khelo India Winter Games 2024

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Union Secretary, Sports, Sujata Chaturvedi and Chief Secretary, Atal Dulloo, on Monday co-chaired the Executive Committee level meeting held to review preparations for the forthcoming Khelo India Winter Games 2024 scheduled to be held from February 21 to 25, 2024 at Gulmarg.

The meeting was attended by Principal Secretary Culture, Divisional Commissioner Kashmir, Commission Secretary Tourism, Secretary Youth Services and Sports, Secretary Public Works department, Secretary Health and Medical Education, IG Traffic J&K, Director Fire and Emergency Services, Director Information, J&K, Director Tourism Kashmir, Deputy Commissioner Baramulla, Director Youth

Services and Sports, MD KPDCL, Chief Engineer PHE Kashmir, CEO Gulmarg Development Authority, representatives of Jammu and Kashmir Sports Council, Sports Authority of India (SAI), Indian Olympic Association, National Sports Federations, Hoteliers Association J&K, Winter Sports Association J&K and other concerned officers.

Addressing the officers during the meeting, the Union Secretary emphasized on the importance of meticulous planning and seamless coordination in executing various facets of the Khelo India Winter Games.

The meeting deliberated on several key aspects of the games like venue preparation, infrastructure development, participant registration, promotional activities, media planning and other



Union Secretary, Sports, Sujata Chaturvedi and Chief Secretary, Atal Dulloo co-chairing the Executive Committee level meeting on Monday.

related issues concerning smooth execution of games.

She emphasized upon the officers to focus on enhancing the overall experience for athletes and spectators by exploring innovative strategies to elevate the standard of the games and maximize their impact on the sporting landscape.

The Union Secretary remarked that all the required

arrangements need to be put in place beforehand for successful conduct of this edition of Khelo India Winter Games. She stressed upon the organisers to provide full support to volunteers as they are the main arm for smooth conduct of games. She also called upon the organisers to categorise the dining places and other areas so that the athletes are facilitated and provided

required logical support.

The Union Secretary complimented the departments and organisers for smooth synergy and coordination, adding that it will be milestone in the journey towards hosting a spectacular edition of the games.

Speaking during the meeting, the Chief Secretary remarked that Gulmarg is emerging as Winter Sports

Capital of India and we need to follow all the technical protocols related to these games so as to professionalise them to its core. He highlighted that Khelo India Winter Games is a testament to the fact that J&K has established such kind of facilities by which it can organise a grand event like this.

The Chief Secretary called upon all the stakeholder departments and agencies that all the required arrangements need to be in place well in advance besides any area of concern should be addressed beforehand. He further called upon the essential service departments to keep backup plan available in order to meet any kind of exigency due to snowfall.

He emphasised that the organiser Ski patrol teams as well as other disaster response teams should be put in place

at designated places to deal with any kind of eventuality during the games.

Dulloo further asked the Director Information to launch a dedicated campaign for publicity of this grand event and amplify the use of social media for the same. He expressed confidence to deliver a world-class sporting spectacle.

During the meeting, Secretary Youth Services and Sports, Sarmad Hafeez, gave a detailed presentation on preparations of this event. He informed the meeting that all the necessary arrangements have been made with ample focus on accommodation, transportation, catering and other essential facilities for the athletes.

It was also given out in the meeting that help desks have been established at Airports, Jammu Railway Station,

TRCs to facilitate visitors as well as athletes coming for this grand event.

Secretary Health and Medical Education, Dr. Syed Abid Rasheed, informed the meeting that a good number of ambulances has been made available for the games, adding that facilities at PHC Gulmarg have been augmented with deployment of enough number of specialist doctors. He also informed the meeting that Critical care ambulances as well as chopper services will be made available to meet any kind of exigency besides enough medicines and other required medical instruments have been stocked up at the venue.

During the meeting, representatives of SAI, Indian Olympic Association and other agencies gave their valuable inputs for the smooth conduct of games.