

CBSE Schools Volleyball Tournament kick starts at MVIS

STATE TIMES NEWS
SAMBHA: Inter CBSE Schools (Under-17) Volleyball Tournament started at MV International School (MVIS) on Friday.



Shiv Kumar, DIG JSK Range posing with other dignitaries and participating teams.

The event is being organised under the aegis of Jammu Sahodaya Schools Complex Jammu in which 21 boys and girls teams from CBSE schools of Jammu, Samba and Kathua are participating to clinch the championship trophy. The tournament was inaugurated by Chief Guest Shiv Kumar, DIG Jammu-Samba-Kathua Range in presence of the Guest of Honour, Virender Singh Manhas, SSP Samba; Special Guests SDPO Vijaypur Rohit, and

ZPEO Joginder Sharma & Chairman of School Hira Lal Abrol; Gourav Abrol, Director MVIS along with Principal, staff & students. In his inaugural address the Chief Guest complimented the school management for meticulous arrangement of the tournament. He added that JK Police fully supports the

initiatives where energies of students are channelised in positive direction. He cautioned the gathering to be aware of the menace of cyber crimes and drug abuse. The event is being organised on knock-out basis. RESULTS BOYS: RM Public School defeated JK Public School Kathua by 2-

0; MV International School defeated Vishwa Bharti School by 2-0; Doon International School defeated Birla Open Minds School by 2-0; MHAC Nagbani School defeated APS Samba by 2-0; APS Samba defeated Jammu Sanskriti School Jammu by 2-0; Kartar Public School defeated Shemford Futuristic School by 2-0; APS Kalu Chak defeated RM Public School by 2-0; MV International School defeated Doon International School by 2-

0; MHAC Nagbani School defeated APS Samba by 2-1; Sainik School Nagrota defeated Kartar Public School by 2-0. GIRLS: MV International School defeated Doon International School by 2-1; Carmel Convent School defeated Shemford Futuristic School by 2-0; Sainik School Nagrota defeated APS BD Bari by 2-1; Carmel Convent School defeated MV International School by 2-0; APS Kalu Chak defeated Sainik School Nagrota by 2-1. Fixtures for Boys's Semi Final matches for tomorrow are: APS Kalu Chak vs MV International School and MHAC Nagbani vs Sainik School Nagrota. It will be followed by the finals between the winners of semis. Amongst the girls the final clash will be held between Carmel Convent School and APS Kalu Chak.

DG DYSS felicitates Atul on completing advance course

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: The Director General Department of Youth services and Sports (DYSS), Rajinder Singh today felicitated Atul Pangotra on successfully completing the International Referee Refresher Course 2025, conducted by the India Taekwondo under the aegis of World Taekwondo.



DG DYSS, Rajinder Singh felicitating Atul Pangotra.

Atul Pangotra has made significant contributions to the field of Taekwondo, boasting two Commonwealth medals to his name. Notably, he was the only referee from J&K to qualify for the prestigious Paralympics top 50 referee panel in 2020, marking a historic achievement for the region. His commitment to the sport has not only elevated his personal career but has also inspired many young athletes in Jammu and Kashmir to pursue their dreams in martial arts. During the felicitation, DG DYSS complimented Atul for his accomplishments as an athlete and coach. He highlighted Atul's recent success in bringing home a historic medal in the SGFI Under-19 championship. Atul's coaching techniques and mentorship have played a pivotal role in nurturing new talent and fostering a competitive spirit among young athletes. The DG mentioned that the knowledge

gained from the International Referee Refresher Course can help further impart training to the officials of the Department. Atul Pangotra's dedication and hard work continue to inspire many in the sports community. His achievements serve as a testament to the potential of athletes from Jammu and Kashmir, and he remains a beacon of hope for aspiring sportspeople in the region.

Dy CM lays foundation stone for Sports Block at Degree College Nowshera



Dy CM, Surinder Choudhary laying foundation stone for Sports Block at GDC Nowshera.

STATE TIMES NEWS
NOWSHERA: Deputy Chief Minister, Surinder Choudhary, on Friday laid the foundation stone for much anticipated Sports Block at Government Degree College, Nowshera. The project, to be established with an estimated cost of ₹208.50 lakh, aims to enhance sports infrastructure and provide better facilities for students and aspiring athletes. The Deputy Chief Minister was accompanied by Additional District

Development Commissioner Rajouri, Dr. Raj Kumar Thapa; Additional Deputy Commissioner Nowshera, Babu Ram Tandon; and other district and sectoral officers. Speaking on the occasion, the Deputy Chief Minister emphasised government's commitment towards promoting sports and physical fitness among the youth. He highlighted that the new Sports Block would provide modern training facilities and encourage students to actively participate in vari-

ous sports disciplines. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from faculty members, students, and local residents, who welcomed the government's focus on strengthening sports facilities in educational institutions. Surinder Choudhary exhorted upon the executing agencies to ensure timely completion of the project while maintaining high standards of construction. He reiterated administration's resolve to develop robust sports infrastructure in the region, fostering a culture of health, fitness and excellence in sports. The Deputy Chief Minister highlighted the importance of such infrastructure in nurturing talent at the grassroots level. He expressed optimism that the project would significantly contribute towards the overall development of students in the region.

GGM Science College organises two-day awareness camp on gender-based violence

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: GGM Science College, Jammu, organised a two-day awareness camp on Gender-Based Violence on January 30 and 31, 2025.



A winner students being honoured by the dignitaries.

Organized by the college's Women Empowerment and Development Cell in collaboration with the Social Welfare Department, J&K, the event aligned with the Higher Education Department's Nayi Chetna 3.0 Campaign. The programme, under the guidance of Principal Prof. Dr. Romesh Kumar Gupta and Cell Convener Prof. Yasmeen Mughal, aimed to educate and sensitize students about the various forms and implications of gender-based violence, empowering them to become agents of change. Day one featured a Slogan Writing Competition on the theme "Gender-Based Violence," with enthusiastic participation from students across various semesters. The competition was judged by Dr. Jatinder Kour and Prof. Sunita Kumari from the Department of English. Bhupinder Kour

(Semester IV) secured first place, followed by Mamta Bhagat (Semester I) in second, and Hasrat Kour (Semester IV) in third. Day two featured an impactful Awareness Lecture delivered by Dr. Vandana Khajuria, Chairperson of the Sensitization, Prevention, and Redressal of Sexual Harassment (SPARSH) Committee of Cluster

University of Jammu. Dr. Khajuria addressed various forms of gender-based violence, including domestic abuse, workplace harassment, cybercrimes, and social discrimination, highlighting their psychological and emotional impact. She also discussed legal provisions and redressal mechanisms available under Indian law and emphasized

the role of educational institutions in fostering a safe and inclusive environment. The lecture was followed by a dynamic interactive discussion between students and faculty. The event was coordinated by Prof. Mona Sethi, Dr. Neha Mahajan, Prof. Akanksha Parihar, Prof. Reetika Rani, Dr. Nisha, and Dr. Preeti Verma, with Prof. Akanksha Parihar leading the programme execution. The Women Empowerment and Development Cell of GGM Science College remains dedicated to promoting gender equality and fostering a safer, more inclusive community through continued initiatives like this.

Pariksha Pe Charcha Quiz organized by Kendriya Vidyalaya, CUJ

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: As per the directives of the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) Headquarters, New Delhi, the Pariksha Pe Charcha Quiz Competition was organized by Kendriya Vidyalaya, Central University of Jammu (CUJ).



Winner students posing for a photograph with faculty members.

The event was conducted under the esteemed guidance and support of Vice Chancellor, CUJ, Prof. Sanjeev Jain, who also serves as the Chairman of Kendriya Vidyalaya. A total of 94 students from 15 different schools actively participated in the event, including students from PM Shri KV Miran Sahib, KV Samba, KV Jammu, State Govt. Schools, and CBSE-affiliated private schools. The competition commenced with the screening of

five episodes of the Bharat Hain Hum program series, followed by a quiz comprising 25 multiple-choice questions related to the series. The event was marked by high enthusiasm and a strong competitive spirit among the participants. The concluding ceremony was graced by Dr. Naresh Sharma, Principal, Community College, CU Jammu, and the designated Chairman of KV, CUJ.

As a token of appreciation, Ajit Kumar Sharma, Principal, KV Jammu, presented books as gifts to the dignitaries. The event was skillfully anchored by Radha Rani, Music Teacher, KV Central University, Jammu. To acknowledge and motivate the participants, the winning students were awarded trophies and certificates. Additionally, all 94 participants received a copy of the

book Exam Warriors by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, along with certificates of participation. Dr. Naresh Sharma, while addressing the students, encouraged them to continue striving for excellence in academics and beyond. The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Principal KV Jammu, Ajit Kumar Sharma, followed by the rendition of the National Anthem.

APS Ratnuchak organises "sports grandeur 2025"

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Army Public School (APS) Ratnuchak orchestrated its much-anticipated annual sports extravaganza, "Sports Grandeur 2025", a spectacular confluence of athletic excellence and cultural magnificence.



The grand event commenced with the mellifluous rendition of Aditya Hridayam Salutations by the school choir, setting an auspicious tone. This was seamlessly followed by the ceremonial hoisting of the flag and an impeccably synchronized march past by NCC cadets, Scouts, Guides, and the proud house contingents, exuding discipline and patriotic fervor. The sports arena pulsed with electrifying energy as senior students fiercely contested various track events,

showcasing their agility and stamina, while the ever-enthusiastic primary wing students engaged in a delightful array of fun races, spreading cheer and exuberance. Complementing the athletic spectacle, an array of spell-binding cultural performances mesmerized the audience. Unity in Synchronicity symbolized seamless harmony, Maratha Legacy paid a resplendent tribute to valorous traditions, and the grand culmination, Whimsical

Innocence, left an indelible impression with its enchanting charm. The program also honored meritorious students for their exemplary achievements in both academics and sports, with the pinnacle of accolades being the prestigious Overall House Trophy presentation, a moment of immense pride and jubilation. The Chief Guest, in an inspiring address, underscored the paramount importance of holistic development,

while the Principal, Mrs. Sonal Sharma, eloquently chronicled the institution's remarkable accomplishments in her detailed report. The event concluded on a triumphant note, dazzling with the students' unparalleled performances and unwavering competitive spirit. The vibrant celebration left an ineffable mark on the hearts of spectators, ensuring that Sports Grandeur 2025 would be cherished as an unforgettable spectacle of excellence and enthusiasm.

National Games: 3 in Wushu reach finals

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir has confirmed three Silver and four Bronze medals in the discipline of Wushu in the ongoing 38th National Games at Uttarakhand. Surya Bhamu Partap (Asian Games medalist), Mohd Kamraan (National Gold Medalist) and Ayera Chisti (Junior Bronze medalist in the World Championship) cruised into the finals of the 38th National Games at Uttarakhand while Rohan, Saleem Kumar,

Arjun and Ishant lost their semifinal bouts in nail biting finish. Now, Surya Bhamu Partap will play against opponent from Manipur; Mohd Kamraan has been pitted against SSCB and Ayera Chisti to play final against MP. Meanwhile, as per a handout issued here today, Secretary J&K Sports Council, Nuzhat Gul congratulated trio finalists and the other medal prospects as well and wished them for the gold medal. She also congratulated

Wushu Association of J&K for outstanding consistent performance in the games from the last 4 editions. She assured full support for the Wushu Sports. Vijay Saraf, president and Ranjeet Kalra, Bhavneet and other office bearers congratulated the medalists for making whole J&K proud and wished best of luck to the finalists. Kuldeep Handoo (Dronacharya Awarded) congratulated the finalists.

DG-YSS visits Bharat Scouts & Guides site at Bhalwal to assess future action plan



DG YSS, Rajinder Singh Tara visiting site transferred to Bharat Scouts and Guides.

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: To assess and take a future action plan with regard to building adequate infrastructure, Director General Youth Services and Sports, Rajinder Singh Tara visited a site transferred to Bharat Scouts and Guides measuring 8.17 Kamal land at Bhalwal, on Friday.

The DG-YSS, who is the State Chief Commissioner of Bharat Scouts & Guides J&K was accompanied by Jitendra Mishra, Deputy Director (Central) Youth Services and Sports; Ravi Sharma, Deputy Director Planning Directorate of YS & Sports; Riyaz Ahmed, SO Plan; Sanjeev Sharma, Executive Engineer J&K Sports Council; MM Joshi, State Commissioner Adult Resources Bharat Scouts & Guides; Nasreen Khan, Secretary cum Administrative Officer Bharat Scouts &

CLUJ organizes visit to Ved Mandir Bal Niketan under Community Engagement Program

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Department of Commerce, School of Social Sciences, Cluster University of Jammu, continues its commitment to social responsibility and community welfare by organizing a visit to Ved Mandir Bal Niketan, Karan Nagar, Amphala, under its Community Engagement Program on Friday.



CLUJ students and faculty during visit to Ved Mandir Bal Niketan.

This initiative aims to foster a sense of compassion and social responsibility among students and faculty members while extending support to the children residing at Ved Mandir Bal Niketan. During the visit, students and faculty members interacted with the children, engaged in various leisure activities, and contributed towards their well-being. The Community Engagement Program is designed to provide both educational and recreational experience, ensuring a meaningful and enriching exchange for all participants. Speaking about the initiative, Dr. Vishal Sharma, Dean, School of Social Sciences, Cluster University of Jammu highlighted the significance of such engagements in bridging the gap between academic learning and real-world social impact. He stated "This visit aligns with our objective of nurturing socially responsible

individuals who understand the importance of giving back to society." Dr. Neetu Kumari, Coordinator, Commerce, School of Social Sciences, said that community engagement program is an ongoing effort to connect students with various social causes, empowering them to play an active role in community development.

This visit marks another step towards strengthening the university's commitment to holistic education and societal contribution. The other who joined the event were Dr. Ajay Kumar Chalotra, Dr. Nitin Chandhel, Dr. Arvind Janwal, Dr. Parul Chhibber, Dr. Vaishali, and Dr. Anil Sharma and Dr. Pallavi Sharma and Ms Sunita Gupta.

J&K Kalarippayattu athletes deliver impressive performances at 38th National Games 2025



STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: The Jammu & Kashmir Kalarippayattu team delivered impressive performances at the 38th National Games 2025, held at Police Line Stadium in Haridwar from January 28 to 30, 2025, making the Union Territory proud. Dua Mukhtar earned a silver medal in the High Kick

(Above 5.6 Feet) event, while Aman Gupta claimed a bronze medal in the Kaipportu (65 to 80 kg weight category) event. In addition, Parkash Singh secured fourth place in the High Kick (Below 5.6 Feet) event, and Sajjan Shan finished fifth in the Urnivesshal event, demonstrating exceptional skill

and determination. The team was guided by Coach Danish Sharma and Manager Harsh Vardhan Raina, whose leadership and support were crucial to the athletes' success. Danish Sharma, Secretary General of the Kalarippayattu Association of J&K, expressed immense pride in the team's achievements. "These results reflect the hard work of our athletes and the dedication of our support staff. We remain committed to promoting Kalarippayattu and nurturing local talent," he said.

Guided and Ashok Kumar, Headquarter Commissioner Bharat Scouts and Guides J&K. Tara after taking stock of the work already done at the site, served strict directions to the concerned authorities for executing a future plan of action with regard to building a complex to cater to the needs of scouts and guides. On the occasion, DG Sports highlighted the exemplary contribution of Scouts and Guides in nation-building. "Our Scouts and Guides are epitome of selfless service, discipline, dedication and leadership. They are a living example of value of unity in diversity and working diligently for equity and inclusion in the society" maintained Tara. He added that Scouts and Guides need better infrastructure and facilities to serve the society in a most befitting manner.

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