

► 10th Police Martyrs Memorial Cricket Tournament concludes ◀

Youth, citizens have to play a crucial role alongside Police to eradicate drug menace: DGP J&K

► Vicky 11 Pathankot lifts trophy ◀

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JAMMU: The cricket tournament in Kathua has become a big event and a medium to remember all the fallen heroes of J&K Police who sacrificed their lives for the sovereignty and integrity of the nation and provides an opportunity to celebrate life, health and sports.

This was stated by the Director General of Police (DGP) J&K Dilbag Singh at the closing ceremony of 10th edition of Police Martyrs Memorial Cricket Tournament at Kathua Sports Stadium today afternoon.

Immediately after his arrival, the DGP accompanied by ADGP Jammu Mukesh Singh laid floral wreaths in the martyrs' gallery and lit the lamp to pay homage to the brave martyrs. Later DGP J&K led the officers and digni-

ties to observe silence in memory of the martyrs.

The function was attended by ADGP Jammu Mukesh Singh, SSP Kathua R C Kotwal, SSP Samba Abhishek Mahajan, Kathua Municipality Committee Chairman Naresh Sharma, Lakshman Municipal Committee Chairman Ravinder Sharma, Principal Police Training School Kathua, Roop Lal Bhagat, Commandant IRP 19th Bn Benam Tosh, ADC Kathua, DDC members, Shaheed Welfare Committee Kathua President Ravinder Singh Salathia, General Secretary Rakesh Singh Sumbria and members, families of martyrs and respectable citizens of the Kathua District.

Speaking on the occasion the DGP said that by organizing such events we remember the sacrifices of our martyrs and these events provide



DGP J&K Dilbag Singh presenting trophy to winner team at Kathua on Tuesday.

an opportunity to celebrate life, good health and sports.

He appreciated the efforts of members of Shaheed Welfare Committee Kathua who said are always very

keen and particular in organizing the event and making it more popular and famous each passing year.

On behalf of Police parivar and general public the DGP

expressed his gratitude towards the families of martyrs and said the nation and the department will always remain indebted for the sacrifices made by their loved

ones. He assured them that the martyrs will always be remembered by the nation and by the department.

The DGP said that the youth should take part in different sports activities to stay fit and healthy and advised them to stay away from drugs as it destroys not only the addict but the family, society and nation as a whole.

He congratulated the winners of the 10th edition of the tournament Vicky 11 Pathankot team and also the runner up Lal Bahadur Shastri Delhi team. He said that winning and losing is part of the game.

Speaking to the media persons, the DGP said that drugs are a bigger challenge and emphasized that every youth, citizen has to play a role alongside Police to stop drug menace from spreading. He said that J&K Police is at

war against drugs.

ADGP Jammu Mukesh Singh said that the martyrs cricket tournament is one of the biggest tournaments organised in Jammu and Kashmir.

He thanked the DGP J&K for providing funds and support for organizing these tournaments and other sports activities.

Earlier SSP Kathua R C Kotwal in his welcome address thanked the DGP J&K, all other dignitaries, DDC members, sponsors and the spectators for making the closing ceremony a grand success.

Pertinent to mention that the 10th edition of Police Martyrs Memorial Tournament league matches was inaugurated by the DGP J&K on 19th December 2021. During the tournament 31 matches that included league, quarter final, semi final and final

matches were played. All matches were telecasted live on YouTube channel.

The Winning Team, Vicky XI Pathankot lifted the championship trophy and was awarded cash prize of Rs 3.50 lakh whereas Runner up team LB Shastri Club Delhi was given cash prize of Rs 2.50 lakh. Man of the Series was won by Sohail Dhaliwal and was awarded the Maruti Car Alto 800. Ankit Choudhary was declared the Man of the Match of the final and was awarded with a cash prize of Rs. 20000 along with a trophy.

Som Veer (Sabi Cricket Club Hoshiarpur) was declared the Best Bowler and Koushal Suman (L B Shastri Club Delhi) was declared the Best Batsman, both were awarded motor bikes for their splendid performance.

J&K bodybuilding team flagged-off for Nationals



Selected J&K bodybuilding team posing with officials during flagging off ceremony.

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JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Sports Council officials Ashok Singh, Satish Gupta and Balbir Singh on Tuesday flagged off J&K bodybuilding team for participation in 11th Federation Cup National Bodybuilding Championship 2022 to be held at Gangtok,

Sikkim from March 11 to 13, 2022.

Secretary General BBAJK, Rajesh Dutta congratulated the team and wished them to perform well in national championship and bring laurels to J&K UT.

Vinay Sharma Vice President BBAJK also gave

best wishes to all the body-builders and expressed hope that they will illuminate the name of UT at national level.

Team Sidhant Jamwal, Harisk Kumar, Goray Dogra, Kumar Gorav, Kunal Verma, Rohit Sharma and Surbhi Sharma. Other present were Bupinder Singh and Sanjay Bali.

"We are thankful to the district police for illumination of the statue of Shaheed Manjit at Bus Stand. Such acts on part of the government help grow love for the Nation among youngsters," said chairman of the Shaheed Manjit Volleyball Club, Mohd Tariq while sharing the development.

Poonch Police illuminates DySP Manjit Singh's statue

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POONCH: Paying respects to the brave hearts in recognition of their supreme sacrifices, the District Police Poonch have illuminated the statue of Shaheed DySP Manjit Singh at Bus Stand area, here.

J&K Police officer, Manjit, who laid down his life while fighting militants at Bus Stand area of the Poonch city on March 14, 2021.

Since DySP Manjit Singh was an outstanding sportsperson and closely associated with the game of Volleyball, a club was formed in his name-Shaheed DySP Manjit Singh Memorial Volleyball Club by backbone of Volleyball in Poonch, Mohd Tariq.

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Khalsa Warriors meet MBS Club in Hockey final



Participating teams posing for a photograph with dignitaries.

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JAMMU: Khalsa Warriors shall take on MBS Hockey Club in the final of the ongoing Jammu District Senior men's Hockey Championship being organised by Hockey Jammu and Kashmir at K K Hakku Stadium, here 3 pm tomorrow.

Earlier, in the semifinals, decided on Tuesday, MBS Hockey Club defeated Dashmesh Club 6-2. Prabhjot Singh remained star striker, who struck thrice in the 34th, 44th and 59th minutes of the match while other goals came through Minder Singh (4th),

Koushal (28th) and Tarandeep Singh (52nd). From Dashmesh Club, Maganveer Singh (23rd) and Hirdey (42nd) were the scorers. In other semifinal, Khalsa Warrior blanked Young Star Hockey Club 4-0. Sikanderpal Singh netted three goals in the 48th, 55th and 58th minutes of the match. Rajveer Singh scored one goal in 29th minute. Rajveer Sharma President Hockey J&K was the Chief Guest. Today's matches were officiated by the technical panel including Harvinder Singh, Gurpreet Singh, Charanjit Singh, Tejinder Singh, Minakshi Khajuria and Angat Singh.

Bishnah zone holds YSS Cup events



Players posing for photograph with dignitaries at Bishnah in Jammu.

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JAMMU: The Department of Youth Services and Sports, J&K UT, District Jammu, Zone Bishnah organised Inter-Panchayat zonal level Tournament (YSS Cup 2021-22) in the discipline of kabaddi, kho-kho and volleyball for boys at Govt. High School Chak Murar.

The Tournament was held under the chairman-

ship of District Youth Services & Sports Officer Jammu, Sukhdev Singh, DDC Member along with Sarpanch Nisha Sharma and Vice President of All Panchayat Union Jammu and Kashmir Jatinder

Singh.

A total of 231 participants participated in the tournament.

All the efforts of the staff members were appreciated by the DDC member and Sarpanchs of the Panchayats and vote of thanks was presented by ZPEO Bishnah.

The matches were officiated by all the PEL, PEM, PET, REK and NYCs of zone Bishnah.

The function was held in the early hours of the day and the welcome address by Secretary J&K Sports Council, Nuzhat Gul set the ball rolling. It was her who floated the idea of organizing such events for the first time by the Sports Council apart from routine sports events.

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Highlighting the role of women in different fields, speakers spoke their hearts out and appreciated the role played by females in respective fields and nation building.

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Speaking on the occasion, Nuzhat Gul took a journey down the memory lane and how the role played by her grandmother helped her family in business in addition to attending daily household chores. She said, women are the chief architect of this society and only she has the power to make it better and progressive. She further added that International Women's Day is a global day to commemorate the achievements of women. She said, "the day also marks a call to eradicate the gender related bias and bring women at par with men. She further added that women are capable of transforming society with their sheer determination, dedication, grit and wisdom.

Ashu Gupta, Joint Director Planning quoting a famous philosopher said, "God is with woman, she will not fall", all she needs is a level playing field and see her soaring the skies and carrying others along".

Prof. Twinkle Suri, Dean Cluster University Jammu highlighted the role of women in upbringing of children and how she shapes and chisels them into future prospectus thus playing a vital role in the development and growth of the societies across the globe since times immemorial.

The others who spoke on the occasion included female coaches from Sports Council, YSS and women from other walks of life who despite of all odds are marching in their routine lives.

The function concluded with vote of thanks by Ashok Singh, Divisional Sports Officer Jammu, who also anchored the event. The Secretary Sports Council distributed mementos among the participants, speakers, players and coaches followed by high tea for all the participants.

Advocate Deepika Mahajan said, "Women as a mother is an institution in itself, who defines orientations of a child". She further added that, women force is a force to reckon with and said that women are capable of transforming society by their wisdom.

Similar function was also

held in the Pologround Indoor Hall, Srinagar, which marked the attendance of women from different walks of life including Government Departments, Sports, Business and social figures etc. The prominent participants included Tanushree (IPS) SP East Srinagar and Samia Rashid, Engineer by profession turned potter.

The Divisional Sports Officer Kashmir, Nuzhat Farooq, while welcoming the guests, highlighted the role played by women in the society. She said, females are second to none and most of the achievers in the sports in J&K this year have been females.

Tanshuree (IPS) while appreciating the role of J&K Sports Council in grooming the female athletes said that she has been visiting J&K Sports Council Training centers for two years by now and it is heartening to see young girls rubbing shoulders with their male counterparts, excelling and improving all the time.

Other participants also underlined the role of women in the growth and development of society in particular and country in general.

Jammu Wrestling meet on March 11

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JAMMU: Wrestling Association of Jammu and Kashmir shall hold District Jammu Wrestling Championship at Wrestling Hall, University of Jammu (JU), here on March 11.

Those interested eligible wrestlers (men and women), who belongs to district Jammu, are advised to report at the venue on the given date bringing along Aadhaar Card, Date of Birth Certificate and two passport size photographs.

The weighing shall be held at 8 am on the competition day, followed by the competition. For further clarifications, the wrestlers desirous of taking part in the event can contact Dheeraj Sharma (9419685822), Om Parkash (9797596802), Jai Bharat (9717024777) and Ravinder Kumar (9149826972).



Taekwondo Trainees along with Rekha Sharma Chairperson Beti Bachao Beti Padhao on the occasion of International Women's Day celebrations at Poonch.

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JAMMU: Poonch District Taekwondo Association (PDTA) in collaboration with Poonch District Taekwondo Academy celebrated International Women's Day under the banner of Jammu and Kashmir Taekwondo Association (JKTA) at Dabur Bungalow, here.

Chairperson Beti Bachao Beti Padhao J&K, Rekha Sharma, was the Chief Guest and Ambika Kour Saraf, District President Beti Bachao Beti Padhao was the Guest of Honour on the occasion. They were accompanied by Gurdeep Singh Saraf J&K Co-ordinator Minority Morcha, Aman Dabur District

Youth President, Ravinder Kumar Bitta President District Refugee Cell and Jyoti Bhalla District President Mahila Morcha.

Earlier, the gathering was welcomed by Rajinder Singh, Taekwondo Coach and PET from DYSS and Taekwondo girls also presented a Bonquet to the Chief Guest.

Rajinder Singh congratulated all the women on International Women's Day.

Rekha Sharma congratulated Poonch District Taekwondo Association for providing excellent platform to the girls of Poonch by imparting them free training in taekwondo. She also con-

gratulated Rajinder Singh for producing national and international stuff from border District Poonch.

She also assured every possible help to raise the standard of Taekwondo in Poonch and promised to provide soft infrastructure and equipments for Taekwondo girls of Poonch.

This was stated by Deputy Director Youth Services and Sports, Jitender Mishra during the celebration of International Women's Day in an impressive function at Sports House, MA Stadium, here on Tuesday.

The function was attended by all the female staff members of the Directorate and the male members as well.

Mishra said that the theme of International Women's Day 2022 is "gender equality today for a sustainable tomorrow".

He said the Women's Day celebrates the very essence of the women all over the world, adding that this day marks the importance of why women should be treated equally without any bias or prejudice.

He further said in the word 'WOMAN', W stands for wonderful wife, O stands for outstanding friend, M stands for marvellous daughter, A stands for adorable sister and N stands for nurturing mother.

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Prominent among others present on the occasion were SO Establishment Ajaz Ahmed Haji, SO Accounts, Shivamand Singh Mankotia, besides women staffers including Anju Bala, Bhawana, Bunty and Shweta.

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