

# Chibber inaugurates historic Capability Building Programme

## Says need to provide cutting-edge training, mentorship to empower youth



Director YSS, Subash Chander Chibber and others at inauguration of Orientation and Capability Building Programme.

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JAMMU: In a momentous occasion marked by the spirit of advancement and empowerment, the Director Youth Services and Sports, Subash Chander Chibber inaugurated the first ever Orientation and Capability Building Programme in the sports history of Jammu and Kashmir, involving both the teachers and the players, here on Tuesday.

The Director was accompanied by the Deputy Director

Youth Services and Sports (Central), Jitender Mishra, Joint Director Youth Services and Sports Jammu, Ved Parkash, District Youth Services and Sports Officer Jammu, Kharati Lal and Accounts Officer Directorate, Sunil Kumar Sharma.

The event took place at Youth Hostel Nagrota Jammu as a regular feature heralding a new era of proficiency and skill enhancement in various sports disciplines. Designed to cater to the

evolving needs of both the teachers and the student players, this pioneering programme seeks to equip participants with the latest skills and techniques essential for success in their respective sports disciplines.

Through a comprehensive curriculum blending theoretical insights with practical demonstrations, proficient and resourceful individuals from the department will facilitate a holistic learning experience, fostering healthy

interactions and dynamic engagement.

"The programme's primary objective is to enhance the capabilities of the participants, enabling them to excel in the prestigious National School Games held annually across the country. By providing participants with unparalleled opportunities for growth and development, the initiative aims to bolster India's representation and performance on the national sports scene," maintained

Subash Chibber.

He emphasised the significance of such initiatives in nurturing talent and fostering a culture of excellence in sports.

"Our commitment to holistic development of youth extends beyond mere participation; it encompasses the provision of cutting-edge training and mentorship to empower our students and the educators," remarked the Director.

The Joint Director Jammu commended the initiative, highlighting it's potential to harness the untapped potential of aspiring athletes and educators, while Deputy Director Central echoed similar sentiments, underscoring the transformative impact of the Capacity Building initiatives in shaping the trajectory of sports development in the region.

# J&K team leaves for Mr. India National Body Building Championship



J&K body builders posing with officials before leaving for nationals.

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JAMMU: Under the banner of Jammu and Kashmir Sports Council, Jammu and Kashmir Body Building team on Thursday left for Ludhiana to take part in the upcoming 23rd Senior National Body Building Championship 2024 scheduled to be held at Ludhiana from March 16 to 17, 2024.

Rajesh Dutta, an office bearer of Body Building Association of Jammu and Kashmir (BBAJK) congratulated the selected team and

flagged off the team from here today. Naresh Sharma Secretary BBAJK also wished them to perform well in National Championship and bring laurels to J&K. Deepak Sharma, Pritesh Bakshi, Ajit Singh and Shine Ghai were part of the team who left for the upcoming Mr. India Body Building Championship in Ludhiana. Other office bearers of the Association including Arun Sharma, Vinay Sharma, Sanjay Bali and Vimaljit were present during the event.

# Civil ADM-XI defeats Airforce-XI in Thrilling Match

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UDHAMPUR: In a thrilling encounter between Civil ADM -XI (DM-XI) and Airforce XI, the Civil ADM -XI emerged triumphant, showcasing remarkable skills and teamwork under the guidance of Captain Rafiq Jaral, SDM Ramnagar.

Opting to bowl first after winning the toss, Airforce XI aimed to capitalize on early breakthroughs. Despite early setbacks, with four wickets down for just 38 runs in 7 overs, Civil ADM -XI rallied back but thanks to Ritik's outstanding innings of 40 runs off 29 deliveries and Sahil Verma's steady 25 runs off 21 balls, setting a competitive total of 125 runs in 15 overs. Vikrant and Asif of Airforce XI delivered exceptional bowling performances, each claiming 2 wickets in their 3 overs, exerting pressure on the Civil ADM-XI batting lineup.

In response, Airforce XI



struggled to forge partnerships, managing only 69 runs on the scoreboard. The standout moment of the match was Nasir's phenomenal bowling, clinching a remarkable 5 wickets in just 3 overs, earning him the well-deserved Man of the Match accolade.

Civil ADM-XI demonstrated outstanding performance throughout the tournament, securing victories in all four matches against Udhampur XI, Army Commander XI, CAPF-XI, and today, Airforce XI, thereby earning their spot in the final match.

Commentator Captain Sachayan Ghosh and

Inderjeet Gupta, a legendary bowler and mentor, provided insightful commentary throughout the match.

Raman Kumar, Rakesh, and Deepak Sharma officiated as umpires for the Bhaichara tournament.

The team captain conveyed heartfelt appreciation to 71 Sub Area, Northern Command Udhampur, for graciously hosting the Bhaichara T-20 Cricket tournament. Additionally, he expressed gratitude to District Magistrate Udhampur, Saloni Rai, for her invaluable support throughout the entirety of the tournament.

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AKHNOOR: Former Dy Chief Minister and Chairman JK Congress Campaign Committee, Tara Chand on Thursday said that for the first time the SCs, STs, OBCs and other oppressed classes have been brought into the centre stage of politics in the country by Rahul Gandhi and asked the weaker sections to fully support the Congress Party and Rahul Gandhi to transform the political system in the country and change the destiny of our future generations.

Addressing a largely attended rally of SC/ST/OBC and other weaker sections at village Bhamal here, Tara Chand expressed gratitude to the party leadership of Mallikarjun Kharge especially Rahul Gandhi for transforming the entire dynamics of the politics of this country by bringing the oppressed sections of the society



Chairman JK Congress Campaign Committee, Tara Chand addressing public meeting.

ty into the centre stage of the country's politics and changing the entire political course.

The people of weaker sections of society should understand and realize the difference brought about by the latest struggle of Rahul Gandhi and Congress Party for the betterment and due share of the weaker sections, into the main stream politics of the country, he said adding that Congress Party has lot of contributions

towards the participation and upliftment of the Dalits, backward, marginalized communities in every sphere including reservation in services, professional courses and in political sphere of the country right from parliament, state legislatures and PRLs, as it all started from Nehru era and continued and improved further.

It was Pt. Nehru as PM who appointed Dr. B.R. Ambedkar as first law minister of India

and entrusted him the job of drafting the Constitution, which is under threat of change by the BJP-RSS, today, if not stopped, he said. Tara Chand said that under the leadership of Rahul Gandhi, congress has started a movement to bring these communities into the centre stage of mainstream politics, when the entire politics of all political parties and the country now revolves around the oppressed classes and weaker sections and it will change the destiny of our people and ensure real justice to them.

It is time for the poor and weaker sections to pick up thread and rally around congress and Rahul Gandhi's leadership for the betterment of their future generations.

Terming Modi Guarantees as Election Jumlas, the senior Congress leader asked people to trust congress

PCC General Secretary Narinder Sharma, PCC Secretary Sahil Sharma, Vijay Chib, Hans Raj Bhagat, Baldev Raj Bhagat-Vice Chairman PCC SC Cell, Babu Ram Bhagat, Surinder Kumar, Tarsem Lal, Sahil Bhagat, Capt. Kali Dass, Capt. Ramesh Lal, Ramesh Verma, Vipin Lal Chalotra, Bachan Lal, Mangesh Kumar, Gopal Dass, Sham Lal Verma, Ashok Kumar and Deep Bhagat addressed the gathering.

# Brilliant Samad blossoms in DY Patil Invitational T20 Tournament

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MUMBAI: Representing Krunal Pandya led DY Patil Red team, J&K's explosive batter Abdul Samad sparked with the willow to guide his side emerge champions in the prestigious DY Patil Invitational T20 Tournament at DY Patil ground, Navi Mumbai.

In the finals against Income Tax, Samad played a power-packed knock of 32 runs in just 13 balls, studded with 3 fours and 2 sixes.

DY Patil Red scored a huge total of 221 runs in 20 overs, while in reply, Income Tax XI managed to score 173 runs, thus DY Patil Red won the match by 48 runs to lift the title trophy.

Earlier, in the semifinals against CAG, Samad showed stellar grit and tenacity to notch up 18-ball 40 runs with one four and 4 massive sixes.

Batting first, DY Patil Red scored 221 runs in the stipulated 20 overs, losing 7 wickets in the process, while in reply CAG bundled out for paltry 130 runs to lose the match by a big margin of 91 runs.

In the quarterfinals of this prestigious tournament, DY Patil Red got the better of Reliance-1 by 6 wickets.

Batting first, Hardik Pandya led Reliance-1 scored a good total of 186 runs in 20 overs, losing 6 wickets in the process, while DY Patil Red chased the target in 19.4 overs by losing 4 wickets to win the match by 6 wickets.

Samad scored unbeaten 49 runs off just 31 balls, studded with 4 fours and 3 sixes, guiding his team to 6-wicket victory.

Both Samad and Umran Malik have now joined their Sunrisers Hyderabad IPL team today.



# Financial Literacy workshop empowers youth at GDC Basohli

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KATHUA: The Department of Economics Government Degree College Basohli, under the guidance of Principal Dr. Nidhi Kotwal, in collaboration with the National Institute of Securities Market (NISM) and AXIS Bank organized a two-day workshop on Financial Literacy for Youth.

Led by Dr. Neha Bandral, Head of the Department of Economics, the workshop featured Prof. Nishant Narang, Assistant Professor at GDC Jawali, Himachal Pradesh, as the keynote speaker and resource person.

Prof. Narang, a certified Securities Market Trainer by SEBI, delivered insightful sessions over the two days.

In two days workshop, total eight sessions were held on



Resource person speaking at workshop in GDC Basohli.

different topics.

First session was based on saving and investment, in which the resource person talked about the promotion of saving so that judicious investment can be made to beat inflation. Second session was based on the complete detail of the primary market. In third session, resource person threw light on the working of secondary market. How

primary market actually work with the help of well established secondary market.

In the fourth session, Prof. Narang talked about investing in the Sovereign Gold Bonds (SGBs). He added that investors can invest in SGBs through their demat accounts or via online banking.

The country's top lender State Bank of India (SBI) allows buying SGBs online.

First day of the workshop was concluded with the vote of thanks by Dr. Neha Bandral.

On second day, fifth session was based on the working of mutual funds. Prof. Narang gave knowledge about the primary steps to start investing in Mutual Funds Online: How to open an account, learn how to pick Mutual Funds, understand how Mutual Funds work, and start investing to the students.

He further added that despite the abundance of investment options available, mutual Funds remain one of the best and most practical ways to invest your money.

Sessions sixth, seventh and eight were based on Complaint redressal system, SCORES, SARATHI APP, which helps the investors to reduce risk and maximize

their return.

In the eighth session, Prof. Nishant Narang elaborated the career options in securities market such as that of a broker, advisor, portfolio manager, research analyst, investment banker, relationship manager, professional investor and trader.

The workshop was attended by sixty students of different streams of the college. In the concluding session, Principal GDC Basohli said that no matter the age, young and old adults alike have a hard time learning something unless they understand and internalize the significance of the information and how it can best serve them in long-term.

Financial knowledge and independence are the goals for which many adults strive

long after their graduation.

This type of awareness workshop covers different topics and helps to manage your money better and set goals for your financial future. She advised the students to live a financially healthy life.

Principal GDC Basohli along with other senior faculty facilitated the key note speaker with a memento.

The program was attended by Prof. Jasvinder Singh (Head, Dept. of Physics), Prof. Shub Kumar Sharma (Head, Dept. of Sanskrit), Prof. Roshan Lal (Head, Dept. of Chemistry), Dr. Neeraj Balgotra, (Head, Dept. of Education), Dr. Ujala Sharma, (Head, Dept. of English), Dr. Vaishno Devi (Head, Dept. of Dogri) and other faculty members.

# Madhav of JKPS Panjtirthi wins silver in J&K UT Athletics Championship

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JAMMU: Madhav Sharma, a student of class 7th of JK Pubic School (JKPS) Panjtirthi, won silver medal in the Jammu and Kashmir UT Athletics Championship organised by Jammu and Kashmir Amateur Athletics Association recently.

The Principal of JKPS Panjtirthi, Suman Banbah congratulated the jakian and wished him luck for his future endeavours.

She remarked, "The only thing that over comes hard luck is hard work. Imagine with all your mind, believe with all your heart and achieve with all your might."



Principal JKPS Panjtirthi, Suman Banbah felicitating a winner student.

# Dr Poonia interacts with traders, seeks suggestions from entrepreneurs for BJP manifesto

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JAMMU: Dr Satish Poonia, former Rajasthan BJP President and National Executive Member, while asserting that BJP is the world's largest political party, has said that people's suggestions have always been the top priority for the party in formulating the strategies to be followed for the welfare of the nation and its people.

He expressed this during

# Dial 9090902024 to reach out to PM



Dr Satish Poonia, former Rajasthan BJP President speaking in a meeting at Jammu.

his interaction with MSME entrepreneurs of Jammu Lok Sabha constituency held on Thursday at Jammu Club under the "Viksit Bharat, Modi Ki Guarantee" campaign.

Prominent among those present on the occasion were MP Jugal Kishore Sharma, senior BJP leader Devender Rana and Sunil Sethi, Chief Spokesperson, BJP J&K. It is pertinent to mention here that today's meeting was specifically organized with the aim of seeking suggestions from the MSME entrepreneurs before finalizing the party manifesto for the upcoming Parliamentary elections.

Addressing the entrepreneurs during the interaction session, the senior BJP

leader stated that their suggestions will be of utmost importance so far as the shaping of party's manifesto is concerned as it is going to have a far-reaching impact on the future governance and ultimately upon the nation and its people's future.

Dr Poonia said that the entrepreneurs can directly forward their valuable suggestions to the Prime Minister Narendra Modi by dialing 9090902024.

He urged the MSME entrepreneurs to ensure that "Viksit Bharat, Modi Ki Guarantee" campaign becomes a great success.

At the outset of the programme, Ved Sharma, Co-incharge BJP All Cell, J&K along with Sham Lal

Langer, Convenor BJP Trade Cell felicitated Dr Poonia.

MP Jugal Kishore lauded the MSME entrepreneurs for their unflinching support to the party's policies and programmes. Terming them as a very important constituent of the Party cadre, he hoped that they will play a crucial role in ensuring a third consecutive term to the Modi led BJP Govt at the Centre.

Senior leader Devender Rana, while highlighting the steps taken by the BJP Govt for the welfare of the industries and commerce sector said that the party has full faith in the MSME entrepreneurs and they will definitely forward their suggestions well in time so that these are

included in the BJP's manifesto and will get fulfilled soon after the party takes the reins of governance yet again after an unprecedented victory in the upcoming elections. Sunil Sethi said that the business community especially the industry entrepreneurs have a significant role to play in shaping the future of the nation as they constitute the driving force of the economy.

He said that their opinion and suggestions hold great significance to give economic boost to the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir. He appealed to the participating entrepreneurs to send their suggestions to the Prime Minister at the earliest so that these get included in the BJP manifesto.

The participating traders also gave their valuable suggestions and applauded Prime Minister Modi for taking this laudable initiative. Chander Mohan, former Mayor presented vote of thanks. Neeraj Anand, Convenor Industries Cell, BJP, J&K conducted the proceedings of the programme.

# Delhi Toofans come from behind to beat Calicut Heroes in Super 5s stage

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CHANNAI: Delhi Toofans maintained their winning run in the Super 5s stage of the third season of the RuPay Prime Volleyball League powered by A23, beating Calicut Heroes 14-16, 15-9, 15-11, 15-13, at the Jawaharlal Nehru Indoor Stadium, Chennai on Wednesday. Danial Aponza was named the Player of the Match.

The game saw an unusual start with Calicut calling a review on the very first point. Aponza and Vikas Maan earned attack points for their respective sides.



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Anand defied gravity to showcase Delhi's fighting spirit. But Jerome's sizzling spikes troubled Delhi's defence.

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Saqlain's super serve opened up the doors for Delhi's comeback. A miscommunication between Danial and his teammates cost them a super point, and Delhi Toofans brought the contest back to level terms.

Dodic's attacks and Aponza's blocking maintained Delhi's momentum, only to be broken up by Ashwin's super serve. But Calicut's unforced errors kept piling up, helping Delhi take control. Danial came to life in defence as Calicut launched a fightback. Aponza's quickness earned Delhi a risky super point, and he helped his side get a sensational win with his all-round display.