

35th J&K Junior Volleyball Championship

Udhampur girls new champion, Jammu boys retain trophy



Chief Guest, Commissioner JMC, Rahul Yadav in presence VAK office bearers presenting trophies to winner girls and boys teams and a volleyball match in progress at Jammu on Sunday.

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JAMMU: District Udhampur girls emerged new champion while boys' trophy was retained by the hosts Jammu district in the 35th J&K UT Junior Volleyball Championship which concluded today at

MA Stadium, here.

In the girls final, Udhampur defeated Samba 3-1 (25-12, 28-26, 22-25, 25-23) while the title clash between Jammu and Samba boys retained a one-sided contest with former making it 3-0 (25-

12,25-18,25-15) win.

Semifinals: Samba beat Ganderbal 3-2 (23-25,19-25,25-22,25-22,15-10) and Jammu beat Poonch 3-0 (25-20,25-18,25-21).

In the valedictory function, Commissioner JMC, Rahul Yadav was Chief

Guest, who presented the title trophies and other individual prizes.

Saroj Sethi, Senior Manager Chenab Valley Power Projects Limited was guest of honour whereas Rajeev Sharma, member J&K Sports

Council presided over the fuction.

The organisers also gave away cash prizes worth Rs 40,000 to the teams and individual players.

Earlier, General Secretary of the Association, Vijay Magotra

presented a brief note of the three-day event.

Raj Daluja, patron-in -chief Volleyball Association of J&K also encouraged the teams and officials.

Among others present were Balvinder Singh, Surya Bhanu Pratap

Singh, Ashok Padha, Abdul Ahad Shah, Nilofer Habib, Balbinder Singh, Akbar Ali, Suresh Chib, Subash Shastri, Veena Kumari, Manpreet Kour, Rajeev Dogra, Prateek Kumar and Naresh Kumar.

The matches were offici-

ated by the technical panel including Amarjeet Singh, Mulkhraj Sharma, Amit Sharma, Neeraj Sharma, Intizar Ali, Mohd. Shabir, Sidharth Hussain, Wasim Akram, Parvinder Singh, Manzoor, Shah Faisal and Abdul Qayoom.

‘Be aware, be safe-Let’s support a drug free society’



SHO Pacca Danga Jammu, Rakesh Jamwal delivering lecture on drug abuse at JK Public School Panjtirthi.

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JAMMU: SHO Pacca Danga Jammu, Rakesh Jamwal visited JK Public School Panjtirthi to sensitize the jakians about the bad effects of drug addiction.

He addressed the students and staff members and expressed, "Students have to play a pivotal role to curb the drug menace which has

gripped the whole country." He spoke in detail on different aspects of narcotics & addiction and other important aspects related to drug abuse.

He also threw light on burning topics like cyber-crime, types of cybercrimes such as hacking, credit card fraud, cyber terrorism, cyber stalking, cyber bullying, child pornography,

financial crimes arising out and related cyber crimes such as crime against persons, crime against property and crime against Government and tips / preventive measures against cybercrime.

He shared his experience while dealing and treating the drug addicts.

He gave a detailed speech on how to recognize that a

person is addicted of drugs, treatment and testing process and also presented a detailed presentation about the menace of drugs, sources, causes, consequences, role of parents, society, teachers, Police, Health Department and Judiciary .

He urged teachers to keep a close watch on the activities and behaviour of

students and be conscious towards them.

The students posed many questions related to the topic.

The Principal of JKPS Panjtirthi, Suman Banbah appreciated the steps taken by J&K Police to curb the menace of drug abuse from the society and urged the Department to hold more such interactive sessions in future too.

She further remarked, "Drug addiction is one the gravest issues that our youths are facing these days. The youth of India is intelligent and promising. Their enthusiasm and energy should be put to good use and such programs and interactive sessions leave an everlasting impact on the new generation and that is the need of the hour."

J&K Boxing Championship concludes

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JAMMU: J&K UT Boxing Championship, organised by Boxing Association of J&K, concluded with prize distribution function at Boxing Ring, MA Stadium, here on Sunday. Dr Harbaksh Singh, Chief Medical Officer was chief guest, who presented medals and other individual prizes. Member Sports Council, Rajeev Sharma was guest of honour. International Wushu player, Bhanu Partap Singh was among those prominent present. The special guests complimented the performance of young boxers and appreciated the Association for holding domestic activities on a regular basis thus providing budding talent platform.



The event was conducted by the technical panel including Anil Wadhwa, Sandeep Singh Chib, Sajad Ahmed, Rajesh Dogra, Sanjeev Singh Jawwal, Aman Sangral, Gaoutam Sharma, Naresh Kumar, Avinash Kumar, Sunny,

Farooq Ahmed Khan and Rahul Kumar. Earlier, general secretary of the Association, Rajesh Sharma presented a detailed report of the event and expressed thanks to the J&K Sports Council and J&K Olympic Association for the support.

Humanity Public School bids farewell to outgoing teachers

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SAMBA: The staff of the Humanity Public School, Bassi Kalan, Bari Brahmana bid farewell to the outgoing teachers. Filled with curiosity and zeal, the farewell ceremony was organized by the teachers recently in the school campus. The day was a fiesta devoted to the years spent together with each other; to reminisce joyous moments.



The function commenced with the formal welcome of the Principal, Gaurav Charak and Vice-Principal Anku Charak along with the Incharges of different wings- Akashdeep Raina (Senior Incharge), Prashidh Singh (Incharge of Hr. sec. wing), Namrta Sharma (Incharge of High wing), Vandana Sharma (Incharge of Primary Wing), Shivani Sharma (Coordinator of Pre-Primary wing), Mahan Singh (Sports Incharge), Meenu Khajuria (Activity Incharge) and Varinder Kumar (IT

Incharge). The programme followed by sharing the experiences by the outgoing teachers. The mementoes and bouquets were presented to all outgoing teachers by the Principal, Gaurav Charak and Vice-Principal, Anku Charak as a token of dedicated service. Principal, Gaurav Charak enlightened the teachers with his inspirational speech. He told all the teachers to uphold the school motto- Education for knowledge, wisdom, character and courage. He motivated the teachers to live

a happy and contended life ahead. Vice-Principal, Anku Charak blessed the outgoing teachers and provided them with essential tips. During the function new teachers who joined the school for coming session 2024-25 were also welcomed by the HPS Staff in the school during the event with bouquets. The outgoing teachers were wished good luck for future years. The presenter of the programme was Shakeela. All the teaching staff relished the farewell buffet as the day came to an emotional close.

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Prof (Dr) Daud Iqbal Baba, Director Sports University of Jammu, was the chief guest on the occasion, while Suhail Ahmed, Observer from Wushu Association of India; Vijay Saraf, General Secretary Wushu Association of India; Rajeev Sharma, Member J&K Sports Council; Chandar Chander, DySP PCR Jammu and General Secretary J&K Athletics Association, Sunil Sharma, General Secretary Archery Association of J&K; Dronacharya Awardee Kuldeep Handoo; Bayneet, General Secretary Wushu Association of Jammu and Kashmir and Kirti Dhar,



Dr Daud Iqbal Baba, Director Sports JU presenting trophy a team at Jammu on Sunday.

Media Head of Wushu Association of J&K were the Guests of Honour.

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Mohit's masterclass, Miller's brilliance propel Gujarat Titans to win vs Hyderabad

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AHMEDABAD: Dishing out an all-round show, Gujarat Titans brought down high-flying Sunrisers Hyderabad with a clinical seven-wicket win in the Indian Premier League (IPL) here Sunday.

Veteran seamer Mohit Sharma was at his deceptive best in the last over for his splendid figures of 3/25, while Afghan spin twins Rashid Khan and Noor Ahmad bossed the middle overs as GT restricted the marauding SRH to a modest 162/8 after Pat Cummins opted to bat.

SRH must be disappointed with themselves after putting on board an astonishing 277 for five in their last outing.

South African batter David Miller found his flair in his 44 not out from 27 balls to anchor the small chase despite suffering cramps and finished the game with a six off Jaydev Unadkat in the first ball of the final over.

Sai Sudharsan also lifted his game, top-scoring for GT with his 45 from 36 balls as GT won with five balls to spare.

GT now have won both their matches at home. Their only loss came against Chennai Super Kings in an away match.

SRH have suffered two losses and with one win they have two points from three matches.

GT had things under control in pursuit of the small target at their home venue and Wriddhiman Saha did his job to set the tone. He stepped out to Bhvneshtwar Kumar for a boundary, and then pulled Jaydev Unadkat over square leg.

But Saha could not convert his start and mistimed Shahbaz Ahmed to be dismissed for 25.

From going at nine runs per over, GT suddenly struggled to pace the innings with Sai Sudharsan typically slow at one end.

Gill was looking fluent at the other end but Sudharsan was unable to rotate the strike and ate up a lot of deliveries, putting pressure on his skipper.

Gill eventually threw his wicket away, holing out to Abdul Samad at long on in a soft dismissal.

With Miller also struggling to get going, the Cummins-led side fancied their chances at the halfway mark where GT were 78/2, needing 85 from the back-10.

With 18 from 20 balls, the Tamil Nadu youngster Sudharsan once again found himself at the receiving end as he broke free against Unadkat in the 12th over, hitting the leftarm pacer for a boundary.

Miller too soon get into the act and the small target didn't help the cause for SRH.

Fresh from smashing a record 277 in their last game, SRH were going great guns with 56/1 inside the power-play but the young and experienced Afghan duo of Noor (1/32) and Rashid (1/33) turned the match on its head in the crucial 7-15th over phase.

Noor dismissed the in-form SRH opener Travis Head (19), while Rashid sent back explosive Heinrich Klaasen (24) before taking a splendid forward-diving catch at long-on to see the back of Aiden Markram (17).

J&K bags overall 3rd; 2nd in Taolu Boys, Girls

Manipur emerges overall champion in 23rd Sub Jr National Wushu C'ship

Sportspersons are messengers of peace, harmony: Dr Daud

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affairs of J&K Sports Council in a most befitting manner.

Earlier, Vijay Saraf in his welcome address highlighted the activities of the Association, while later-on in the vote of thanks Kuldeep Handoo extended thanks to Wushu Association of India for providing them the opportunity to hold this mega event.

Handoo lauded the commitment of LG Manoj Sinha led J&K Administration in promoting sports and games and raising sports infra even at the panchayat level.