

J&K inching closer towards achieving excellence in sports: LG

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SRINAGAR: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Thursday dedicated revamped Sher-e-Kashmir Indoor Sports Complex at Gogji Bagh, Srinagar to the sportspersons. He also unveiled the calendar of Sports Activities 2022-23 under the "My Youth My Pride" Campaign, on the occasion.

Pertinently, the Indoor Sports Complex which was badly affected during 2014 floods has been modernized with top of the line facilities for sportspersons. Its renovation was completed at a cost of Rs 14.76 crore by the J&K Sports Council under JKIDFC Languishing Projects and has facilities like Multi-activity playing area, Taekwondo hall, Basketball Court, outdoor Gymnasium, besides all other modern amenities.

Speaking on the occasion, the Lt Governor congratulated the winners and participants of the Khelo India Youth Games which recently concluded in Haryana.

"Truly inspired by the heart-warming performance of our athletes in the recently concluded Khelo India Youth Games in Haryana. J&K has improved its medal tally and now our players with a strong winner's instinct are aiming for gold in upcoming Asian and World Championships", the Lt Governor said.

Noting that Sports ecosystem in the

UT has been made world class under the guidance of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the Lt Governor observed that J&K is inching closer towards achieving excellence in sports. Our promising sportspersons are being given maximum opportunities for training in India and abroad, he added.

The Lt Governor observed that the youth of Jammu and Kashmir now have access to ample opportunities based only on merit and skill with absolute transparency.

He further said that the government has ensured a secure and attractive career track for medal winners in the National as well as International Games.

Speaking on the sports policy rolled out for the overall benefit of sportspersons and securing their future, the Lt Governor said that for the first time after 2014, at least 200 sportspersons will get government jobs in coming months. Our objective is to create maximum incentives for talented sportspersons, he added.

The Lt Governor further observed that owing to enhanced availability of upgraded sports infrastructure, now notable sporting events are being organized in the UT and our talented youths are getting the opportunity to play as well as learn from the famous players.

"Senior National Archery



LG Manoj Sinha inaugurating renovated Sher-e-Kashmir Indoor Sports Complex in Srinagar.

Championship was held in Jammu in March this year and 1014 female and male players including 50 international level players participated in it. We are all set to organize 16 more national and international tournaments this year on the same grand scale. Soon, National Table Tennis Championship, Senior Volleyball Championship will be organized in this indoor stadium in which our youngsters will get a chance to show their talent and it will also be a great opportunity to learn in the presence of international players", he added.

It was further informed that promising gymnast Bavleen Kaur from J&K will participate in the Asian Games and

renowned fencers, Shreya and Vishal will represent the country at the World Championships. Eight athletes from the UT including Aqsa Gulzar, Komal Dhiman, Suhaib Jeelani, Ravesh Ahmed, Saqib, Karan Chopra, Adil Manzoor, Bilqis Maqbool will represent the country in the Pencak Silat Championship to be held in July next month.

The Lt Governor noted that under the guidance of Hon'ble Prime Minister, the industrial sector is witnessing massive inflow of investments and that will translate into a host of entrepreneurial and employment opportunities for our enterprising youths.

Highlighting the UT government's

consistent efforts towards empowering the youth, the Lt Governor said that more than a dozen schemes are being run under 'Mission Youth' to make our youth capable and future ready. At least 5 young boys and girls have become entrepreneurs in every panchayat and are fulfilling their dreams through Mumkin, Rise Together, AVSAR and Tourist Village Network programmes.

The Lt Governor congratulated noted sportspersons of Jammu and Kashmir who have brought laurels to the UT at various national and international levels in the last few months. He made a special mention of cricketer Umran Malik; Beijing Olympian, Arif Khan; Wushu Gold Medalist, Sadia Tariq; Cyclist Adil Altaf; Rakshanda Mehak; Rakesh Kumar; Chandep Singh and footballer Ishan Pandita.

The Lt Governor also called for collective efforts of administration and people to uproot the evil of Drugs from the society so that youngsters can channelize their energies and achieve big in life.

"On one hand the government is giving wings to dream of youth while on the other, the enemies of peace are making nefarious attempts to misguide them. I urge our young generation to dedicate themselves in shaping J&K's future", the Lt Governor said.

Junaid Azim Mattu, Mayor SMC,

while speaking on the occasion, congratulated the sportspersons of the region for the indoor sports facility.

Nuzhat Gul, Secretary, J&K Sports Council, gave a detailed briefing about the achievements made so far, besides various initiatives being taken for promoting sports in the UT.

Sports enthusiast of Rural, Tribal, Urban and Border areas, by way of a signature campaign, expressed their gratitude to the Lt Governor led UT Government for conceptualizing and implementing "My Youth My Pride" campaign and giving opportunities to the players at grass root level to excel in sports.

Young Sportspersons demonstrated their skills and abilities in various sports disciplines, besides staging impressive March Past to mark the occasion.

Aftab Malik, DDC Chairman Srinagar; Alok Kumar, Principal Secretary Youth Services and Sports; Pandurang K Pole, Divisional Commissioner Kashmir; Sarmad Hafeez, Secretary to the Government, Tourism Department; Vijay Kumar, IGP Kashmir; Mohd Aijaz, Deputy Commissioner Srinagar, besides senior officers of police and civil administration, prominent sports personalities, budding sportspersons in large numbers were present on the occasion.

JKP Wrestler Dillar wins Aghar Jitto Dangal

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JAMMU: Wrestler Dillar Khan of J&K Police lifted the 57th Annual Aghar Jitto Kesari Dangal title defeating Deepak Kakran of Guru Hanuman Akhara Delhi in the main bout that lasted for 21 minutes at village Aghar Jitto in Tehsil Katra of district Reasi.

Dangal was organized to pay tributes to the great revolutionary farmer, Baba Jitto and Bua Kouri. The event was part of three days historic Mela at Aghar Jitto.

Former Joint Secretary of J&K Sports Council (JKSC) and president J&K Indian Style Wrestling Association, Shiv Kumar Sharma was the chief guest who

gave away cash prizes to those winners and runners-up wrestlers in presence of



President JKISWA, Shiv Kumar Sharma declaring Dillar Khan as winner.

man), Krishan Singh (Pappu) former Sarpanch and President Awardee, Gopal Krishan Komal (Retd. ZEO).

Jugal Kishore, social activist prominent wrestling promoter and leading businessman of Delhi, presided over the function.

Proceeding of the Dangal conducted by executive mem-

ber of Senior Citizens Welfare Forum Katra, Gopal Krishan Komal while Krishan Singh presented vote of thanks.

The bouts were officiated by Deepak Wazir, Om parkash Verma, Tulinder Kumar and Kartar Singh. Inspector RS Rana was guest of honour.

Winner of the main bout,

Dillar Khan awarded with a cash prize of Rs. 12,000 along with Traditional Gurj (Gadda) and Patta by chief guest Shiv Kumar Sharma and Jugal Kishore while runners-up wrestler Deepak Kakran got Rs. 10,000.

In total, 45 bouts decided in this dangal. The second main bout won by Chandi of Kohlapur (Maharashtra) who defeated Surjeet Singh of J&K Police of Narkote (Reasi) while third bout won by Mam Hussain of Jhajarkotli (Domel) who defeated Sanjay of Delhi.

Members who helped in the conduct this dangal included

Baba Mohan Lal (chairman) Krishan Singh, Suneel Kholi (president), former ZEO Gopal Krishan Komal, Jugal Kishore Sharma (Bunty),

Romesh Kumar Samotra, Gopal Krishan, Mohinder Kumar, Ram Paul Verma, Sonu Rana, Numberdar Mangat Ram.

Other Results: Muneer of Domail beat Subash of Reasi, Gurdev of Devi Garh beat Radha of Didi, Sabmlak of Nomain beat Veer Singh of Reasi, Rahul of Magal beat Vijay of Jammu, Karnail of Reasi beat Rinku of Sonipat, Arun of Reasi beat Gourav of Jammu, Balwan of J&K Police beat Sudesh of UP, Sheru of Reasi beat Ishvar of Haryana, Ganesh of Reasi beat Sikander of Delhi, Sudesh of Noun Devian beat Shotu of Udhampur, Zakat Ali of Zuda beat Deepak of Reasi, Tofek of Zuda beat Rahul of Nomain, Shubam of Akhnoor beat Imtiaz of Zuda and Varun of Reasi beat Ajeet Singh of Khanikote.

UVC defeats CVC, lifts Volleyball C'ship trophy 2022

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UDHAMPUR: Three days long Volleyball tournament organized by 137 Bn CRPF under at SRTC Omara Morh, Udhampur Co concluded on Thursday. In men final UCB defeated CVC and lift the trophy.

On concluding day of tournament final matches was played between UVC versus CVC team. Wherein commandant of Bn Mohd. Khalid Khan was the chief guest. In men final match UVC beats CVC by the margin of 24-25,25-21,23-25, 25z21 and 16-14. Speaking on the ocesion commandant exhorted both team winner

Udhampur Police holds Volleyball Tournament under CAP

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UDHAMPUR: Volleyball Tournament under Civic Action Programme was organized by District Police Udhampur at Police Post Dudu under the jurisdiction of Police Station Basantgarh which concluded on Thursday.

Ten teams of different Clubs of District Udhampur participated in the Tournament. Kulraj Singh, SDM Dudu was the chief guest. Prominent among others locals of the area were also present on the occasion. Speaking on the occasion, Incharge police Post Dudu PSI Tanvinder complimented the organizers for the successful conduct of the tournament, adding that holding of this tournament was a step forward to encourage the sports culture for healthy society and to bridge the gap between Police and public. Earlier, in the final, Kirchi team defeated Khaned Volleyball team to lift the title trophy. Later-on, SDM Dudu, IC PP Dudu along with other dignitaries distributed cash prizes and trophies to the winners teams of the Tournament.



Winner team receiving trophy from dignitaries.

and runner up team to display the game with true sportsmanship. He said sports is very vital for young generation to keep physically fit and follow disciplined life. While District president Udhampur Volleyball Association and veteran Volleyball player Raj Guru also extended greets to both teams for their excellent performance exhibiting true sportsmen spirit too. Raj Guru also expressed satisfaction towards team of referee for officiating in pro-

fessional manner to pass their judgment during matches.

Today matches were officiated by Kuldeep Kumar, Manik Nargotra, Naveen Kumar, Sanjay Verma and Suresh Pal. Other who witness the tournament were Kartar Singh Ahlawat 2 I/C (A&A), L.R. Meena 2 I/C (Ops), Ashok Pada, Som Dutt, Suresh Khajuria and Tanvir Ahmed other rank officers and dignitaries of Udhampur were also present.

Month-long Volleyball camp concludes at Poonch



Participants posing with officials during culmination of Volleyball camp.

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POONCH: The month-long Summer Volleyball coaching camp, organised by Shaheed DySP Manjit Singh Memorial Volleyball Club, concluded on Thursday at Government Degree College grounds, here. In total, 55 young and promising players from across the UT of J&K took part in this camp. To encourage those young talent, Waheed Ahmed Bandey (JKAS) graced the valedictory function as chief guest while Parvaiz Shah (JKAS) was guest of honour. Both special guests interacted with the campers and boosted them to take up sports in a big way. Speaking on the occasion, the chief guest highlighted the role of Club and was all praise for chairman and man behind the successful camp, Mohd Tariq. Among those present were Anwar Choudhary (ZEO), Matinder Pal Singh, and Gurvinder Singh.

AM Hyundai launches new Hyundai Venue

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JAMMU: AM Hyundai the biggest Signature Dealership of Hyundai Motor India Ltd. In Jammu & Kashmir on Thursday launched the highly awaited new Hyundai Venue.

The Unveiling of the New Hyundai Venue was done by AGM State Bank of India Sandeep Kumar along with Senior Relation Manager SBI and Pradeep Kumar CSO SBI.

Also present at the occasion were HIMIL Officials, Ojas Kapoor TSM NRO 1, Ankit Kumar H-TSM NRO1, Akshat Bhargava ISL NRO1 and Nittin Sharma TPSPM NRO1

The unveiling took place in presence of Chairman AM Hyundai Group, Jatinder Gupta, Managing Director AM Hyundai Sanjay Mahajan Directors Ankur Mahajan and Director



Dignitaries launching new Hyundai Venue at AM Hyundai, Jammu

Akshay Mahajan.

Speaking at the launch of 'the new Hyundai VENUE', Chairman AM Hyundai Jatinder Gupta Said, "The new Hyundai VENUE has been developed to personify the aspirations of our beloved customers. With a keen focus on Design, Technology, Functionality and Space, the new Hyundai VENUE is here to elevate customer experiences and amplify the

Hyundai SUV Life. Being India's No.1 SUV maker of 2020 and 2021, we are immensely grateful to our customers for placing their love and trust in brand Hyundai. The new Hyundai VENUE will build further on the legacy of this brand and thrill customers with its Bold and Dynamic persona, while enabling the next level of comfort, connectivity and convenience."

Newspaper reading keeps us well-informed: Principal JKPS Kunjwani

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JAMMU: Highlighting the importance of newspaper reading for students to become the future leaders in their chosen fields, Principal JK Public School Kunjwani Rajesh Rathore addressed the teachers of the school and shared his views with the intellectual audience.

"Reading newspaper daily is a great habit that equips and empowers every reader with the latest in the world. It's a potential tool to keep oneself abreast of time. Its educational value is phenomenal. It carries plethora of information regarding the latest happenings in the world, what all is going on in the country, town & nearby areas", he reflected.

"The front page covers all the major national news items. That's the reason: why some of the news items on the front page are ended with a phrase 'CONT'D ON PAGE 3/5/7/9'. Regular reading of newspaper keeps a reader well informed. One gets to know about the sequential development of every national or international happening".

"Major meetings, chaired by the Hon'ble LG of J&K, are covered on the front page. "Children must take a note of the policy decisions & developmental plans of the Govt.



They must be well-informed about the facts and figure. Having a natural flair for jotting down the budgetary allocations for different departments is a must for every well-informed future leader", added the Principal.

"Students of Secondary classes (IX&X) and Sr. Secondary (XI&XII) classes must be familiar with the names of the bureaucrats of J&K cadre. When a comprehensive list of major reshuffle of IAS, IPS, JKAS or JKPS officers is published in the newspapers, then youngsters shouldn't sound completely ignorant. Names of Principal Secretary/Commissioner Secretary of various departments should be on

the finger tips of the senior students".

"Like-wise, they must be familiar with the names of the top cops, namely, DGP, ADGs of various departments, IG Jammu & Srinagar, DIG of various ranges of Jammu division & SP/SSPs of all the districts of Jammu division. Students should also be familiar with the starring on the shoulders/vehicles of the police officers".

"It will be worth appreciating, if every school prepares a comprehensive board to be displayed at a strategic location on the school campus with details of major administrative positions of the UT of J&K

and their current incumbents".

"Newspapers cover all the major global news items pertaining to international relations, diplomatic ties, business ventures etc. It keeps students informed about the names of the global leaders and international agencies".

"Casting a glance on the page, covering all the Business news items at national & global level is a must. Equipping children in the domain of financial literacy is expected from every futuristic institution. Profit/loss of various top MNCs in Q-1 is expected from the GenNext. Every student must be well-versed with the economic terms, namely, GDP/GNP/ current inflation rate/progress of India towards attaining \$5 trillion economy target by 2024-25 etc".

"Sports news items are covered brilliantly by all the newspapers. Sports correspondents, being creative geniuses, compose press release with special flavours, whether it be cricket, soccer, basketball, volleyball, tennis, swimming, track & field events or any other sports discipline. A conscious reading of sports columns may inspire young sports enthusiasts to venture into the sphere of Sports journalism".

"Editorial page of the newspapers holds prime importance for those students, who are serious aspirants for the UPSC exams, grooming themselves as future writers, journalists, columnists etc. Main articles, editorial comments, letters to the Editor with esp emphasis on maintaining the high standard of expression in English make it an extremely sought-after page for the language lovers".

"Every household must subscribe to a leading daily in English. No magazine may be compared with a newspaper, as newspapers are quite reasonable, all encompassing & full of variety. Schools & teachers must impart a proper training to students on how to utilize this potential resource. A regular reader of a newspaper is a walking encyclopaedia with variety facts & figures on his/her finger tips. IAS aspirants must maintain variety box files to stack articles, editorial comments, letters to the editor, interviews, mind your language, off d' cuff, speaking tree etc. No child, studying in an English medium school, should try to borrow a newspaper from the neighbourhood. Ask yourself: Have I subscribed to any newspaper in English?", summed up the Principal.