

Delhi wrestler Sumit lifts Aghar Jitto Kesari Dangal title

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
KATRA: Wrestler Sumit Gujjar of Guru Hanuman Akhara, Delhi on Tuesday lifted "58th Aghar Jitto Kesari Dangal title 2023" by defeating wrestler Nadeem of Doda in the first main mali bout that lasted for 12 minutes.

Aghar Jitto Kesari Dangal is organised at village Aghar Jitto in Tehsil Katra District Reasi on the last day of the three day historic Mela held every year in the memory of the great revolutionary Farmer Baba Jitto and Bua Kouri.

ADC Reasi, Abdul Sattar was the chief guest, who gave away cash prizes to the wrestlers. Shiv Kumar Sharma, President J&K Indian Style Wrestling Association and Senior Vice President Indian Style Wrestling Association of India presided over the function. Naib Tehsildar Katra Ashok Kumar and Jugal Kishore Sharma (Bunty) prominent social activist and leading businessman of Delhi were the guests of hon-



ADC Reasi, Abdul Sattar and other dignitaries and winner wrestler.

our Dangal was organized by Aghar Jitto Dangal Committee in association with J&K Indian Style Wrestling Association under the overall supervision of former Joint Secretary J&K State Sports Council, Shiv Kumar Sharma.

The bouts were officiated by Naresh Kumar (Pappu Lakari), Om Parkash Verma, Tulinder Kumar, Raj Singh, Pawan Kumar and Nazir Ahmid.

Wrestler Sumit, the winner of 1st mali bout was awarded with cash prize of Rs.15,000 along with traditional Gurj (Gadda) and Patta by chief guest Abdul Sattar, Shiv

Kumar Sharma and Jugal Kishore Sharma (Bunty) while runner-up wrestler Nadeem got cash prize of Rs.10,000.

In all, 42 bouts were played the said dangaand total Rs.2,00,000 was distributed as cash prizes among the wrestlers.

Jugal Kishore Sharma (Bunty) contributed Rs.30,000 as financial assistance to the organizers i.e prize money for the first mali bout. Retd. Social welfare officer Mohan Lal Kholi, contributed Rs.20,000 i.e prize money for the second main mali and Rs.7,000 was contributed by Tripura Bala

Sundrani Maha Durga Vaishno Mandir Aghar Jitoo. 2nd main mali bout was won by wrestler Babba of Domana Akhara of Kot Bhawal Jammu who defeated wrestler Vishal of Delhi. Winner Babba got Rs.10,000, while runner-up wrestler Vikas got Rs.10,000. Another second mali bout was won by wrestler Surjit Singh of J&K Police of Reasi by defeating wrestler Ankush of Rohtak .Winner wrestler Surjit Dingh got Rs.10,000 while runner-up Ankush got Rs.8,000.

3rd mali bout was won by wrestler Maam Hussain of Domel, who defeated wrestler Ali of Patti (Punjab). The winner wrestler Maam Hussain got Rs.8,000 while runner-up wrestler Ali got Rs.5,000.

Members of the Aghar Jitto Dangal Committee who helped in the conduct of dangal included Baba Mohan Lal (Chairman), Ex.Sarpanch Krishan Singh (Pappu), Suneel Kholi (President), former ZEO ,President

Awardee Gopal Krishan Komal, Jugal Kishore Sharma (Bunty), Romesh Kumar Sanmotra (BJP Mandal President), Gopal Krishan, Mohinder Kumar, Ram Paul Verma, Sanjay Kumar, Sonu Rana and Numberdar Mangat Ram.

Proceedings of the dangal were conducted by Gopal Krishan Komal and Anil Kumar of Reasi.

Shiv Kumar Sharma, President Senior citizens welfare Forum Katra (Regd.) honoured prominent social activist Badri Nath, age 83 years of village Aghar Jitto by presenting him Mata Ki Chumari in presence of senior citizens Gopal Krishan, Retd ZEO Channay Ram ,Chuni Lal and others.

Among others, Mohan of Delhi beat Shamsher of Talwar; Gurdev Singh of J&K Police of Devigarh beat Bagga of Punjab and Balwan Singh of Sheep breeding department of Reasi beat Vishal of U.P.

Shiv Kumar Sharma appealed all the youths to adopt sports as part of life.

Shubham slams 37-ball ton; scores 617 runs in 9 innings

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: J&K's talented batter Shubham Khajuria creates a record in England by slamming fastest ever century in England Cricket Leagues, scoring power-packed ton in just 37 balls against Glossop Cricket Club while representing Westhoughton Cricket Club.

With this century, Shubham has four hundreds including a double century in his kitty.

Against Glossop Cricket Club, Shubham took just 42 balls to score 114 runs, studded with 11 boundaries and 9 sixes.

Earlier, Glossop Cricket Club scored 195 runs in 50 overs. B Schultz (35), L Dale (26) and CW Gill (22) were the main contributors.

For Westhoughton Cricket Club, M Morris was the wrecker-in-chief, who took 6 wickets by con-



Shubham Khajuria during his power-packed century in England.

ceding 53 runs in his 12 overs, while A Patel bagged 2 wickets.

In reply, Westhoughton Cricket Club rode on Shubham's brilliance and reached the target easily in 24.5 overs, losing 2 wickets in the process, thus won the match by 8 wickets. Shubham showed stellar grit and tenacity to notch up cracking century.

In a total of 9 matches, Shubham played all 9

innings and scored a total of 617 runs with an average of 102.83, hitting 43 boundaries and 52 sixes.

"I am highly thankful to the Administrators of Jammu and Kashmir Cricket Association (JKCA) for permitting me to play cricket in England. I am scoring bulk of runs and enjoying pre-season preparation here," Shubham wrote in a message.

Inter-departmental Tournament 2022-2023 at JU Mathematics, Education, Urdu Deptts register wins



Participating teams posing for a photograph with officials at JU on Tuesday.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Department of Mathematics among three departments won in scheduled matches in the ongoing inter-department cricket tournament of the University of Jammu (JU), organised by the Campus Sports Committee, here on Tuesday.

The Results: Mathematics Department beat

Geology Department by seven wickets; Education Department beat Statistics Department by five wickets; and Urdu Department beat Economics Department by six runs. Today's matches officiated by the technical panel including Raj Kumar Bakshi, Thair Mahmood, Vijay Kumar, Sachin Singh and Saleem-ur Rahman.

Dr Nishant qualifies Ph.D



■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Dr. Nishant Verma, son of Bansil Lal and Neelam, resident of H.No.156, Kali Jani, Pacea Danga Jammu has been qualified for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) in Buddhist Studies by the University of Jammu. He worked on the topic "Mahayana Buddhism in Historical and Philosophical Perspectives" under the supervision of Prof. Ram Nandan Singh.

JKPS Panjtirthi coach Aman wins gold in National Taekwondo C'ship

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Founder-INARA and the coach of JK Public School (JKPS), Panjtirthi, Aman Gupta won gold in National Taekwondo Championship-2023 organized by Taekwondo Indian Association under Youth & Sports Development Association of India at Amritsar.

The Principal of JKPS Panjtirthi, Suman Banbah congratulated Aman Gupta and said, "Heartiest congratulations to the Winner. Those who try their best, always taste victory!"



Principal JKPS Panjtirthi, Suman Banbah honouring coach Aman Gupta.

Educational institutions celebrate World Environment Day



NSS volunteers of KC College of Education with faculty during a programme.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Various educational institutions on Monday celebrated World Environment Day by organizing different programmes.

The Environmental Club, in collaboration with the NSS unit of K.C. College of Education observed World Environment Day by organizing an awareness campaign on Monday. Based on this year's theme 'Beat Plastic Pollution', an activity was initiated where the club members and NSS volunteers made paper and

cloth bags using old newspapers and clothes respectively. During this activity, they also prepared placards with slogans against plastic pollution written on them. After this activity, a rally was carried out in the Udheywala area. On their way, the students of the college interacted with the inhabitants of the area explaining to them the severe environmental and health consequences of single-use plastic products especially polythene. They also refocused the attention

on solutions to plastic pollution. During the campaign, the members of the club distributed paper and cloth bags prepared by them to the locals especially to the shopkeepers of the area. Principal of the college, Dr. Sanjay Tickoo appreciated the club members for their efforts and also highlighted the ways to reduce environmental and health conse-



GDCW Kathua faculty and students taking a pledge.

quences of using plastic. Convenor of the Club, Dr. Puja Sharma convened the event and added that the club will continue to observe such days which serve as a reminder that people's actions towards environmental protection are important.

The Eco Club of

Government Degree College for Women, Kathua celebrated World Environmental Day, 2023 under the guidance of Prof (Dr.) Savi Behl, Principal of the college. Along with students, teaching and non-teaching staff present on the occasion took the "Lifestyle for Environment Pledge" to adopt environmentally friendly habits.

Students also chanted many slogans that talked about environmental issues and the measures to curb them. They also promised that it is their duty to protect the environment. The proceedings of the programme were conducted by Dr Poonam Sambyal, Covenor Eco-Club.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Organised by the Jammu and Kashmir Tug of War Association, the 5th District Jammu Tug of War Championship got underway at

Unique International Public Higher Secondary School Gadigarh, here on Tuesday.

About 200 participants, representing different teams, are competing in under-17, under-19, senior men and women categories. After the preliminary rounds of the competition, the finals are slated for tomorrow at the same venue.



Participating teams posing for photograph with dignitaries.

Earlier, the tournament was declared open by Jodh Singh Isher, general secretary of the Association in the presence of Jasbir Singh, chairman of Unique International Public Higher Secondary school.

Among other distinguished guests present were Nirlap Kour, Headmaster and Arti Janwal, Coordinator of the host school.

The competition officiated by the technical panel includ-

Vishwa Bharati organises Investiture Ceremony



Students Council members posing with faculty during investiture ceremony.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Vishwa Bharati Higher Secondary School on Tuesday organized an Investiture Ceremony for the election of Students Council for the session 2023-2024.

Aditya Pandita was elected as Head boy and Manvi Sharma as head girl whereas Jatin Pandita was elected as Vice Head boy and Divya Mehra as Vice Head girl. Dipesh Goja was elected as Sports Secretary and Jenisha Handoo

DPS Jammu organises Art of Living workshop for children

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Delhi Public School (DPS) Jammu recently organized an impactful Art of Living workshop, aimed at promoting well-being and personal growth among its students.

Led by renowned Art of Living faculty members, Chitwan Singh Nanda and Ritvik Mahajan, the workshop received an enthusiastic response from the participants.

Chitwan Singh Nanda and Ritvik Mahajan, with their



expertise conducted several fun-filled activities and also provided practical tools and valuable insights for the participants to implement in their

daily lives.

Principal DPS Jammu, Ruchi Chhabra appreciated the efforts of the AOL faculty and thanked both of them for guid-

ing participants towards holistic well-being and personal development.

Also present at the workshop was Dr. Rajan Salafia, a senior Art of Living faculty member and the State Teachers' Coordinator in Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh.

Dr. Salafia stressed on the importance of prioritizing the mental health of children and adolescents, particularly during the challenging times brought about by the COVID-19 crisis.

SMVDU scholar bags best paper award at Intl Conference

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

KATRA: Rohini Raina, Scholar at the School of Computer Science and Engineering, Shri Mata

Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU), received the best paper award at the international conference on Innovation & Research in Science and Technology for Sustainable Development (ICIRSTSD-2023), organized by OP Jindal University Raigarh in association with the Institution's Innovation Council (Ministry of HRD Initiative) on May 25-26 2023.

Raina presented a paper titled 'A Review of Machine Learning Approaches for Detection and Classification of Leukemia Disease,' which is co-authored by Dr. Naveen Kumar Gondhi, Assistant Professor at SMVDU.

The experts at the conference appreciated the work carried out by Ms. Raina and also rewarded her with a cash prize.

DYSS holds inter-zone meet at Reasi



Participants posing for a photograph with dignitaries and officials.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

REASI: Department of Youth Services and Sports (DYSS) organized Inter-Zone District level events for under-14 and under-17 boys in the disciplines of Tug of War, Chess, Carrom, Rope Skipping, Badminton and Yoga at General Zorawar Singh Stadium and Indoor Sports Complex, here on Tuesday.

The event took place under the supervision of district (DYSS) officer, Tersem Singh. Also present were Ram Krishan Bhat, Zonal Physical Education Officer (ZPEO) Reasi.

Over 125 boys drawn from different Zones of Chassana, Mahore, Arnas, Pouni and Reasi participat-

ed in this tournament.

The Results (Finals): YOGA: Under 14: Harshit Zone (Reasi) Ist; Amit Zone (Pouni) 2nd AND Vevain (Pouni) 3rd. Under 17: Kartik Bhagat (Pouni) Ist; Govind Sharma (Pouni) 2nd and Krish Sharma (Pouni), 3rd. TUG OF WAR: Under-14: Zone Reasi beat Zone Pouni. Under-17: Zone Reasi beat Pouni. CARROM: Under-14: Doubles: Ansh Singh and Arun Kumar of Zone Reasi beat Sourabh and Rohit of Zone Pouni. Singles: Kuldeep Singh (Pouni) beat Ram dutt (Reasi). Under 17: Doubles: Kartik and Akshit of zone (Pouni) beat Sumit and Sunder of zone Reasi.

Singles: Under-17: Turaib ul Farim of Arnas beat Gursimran of Pouni. CHESS: Under-14: Single-Tanmay Jamwal (Reasi) beat Sachit Kumar (Reasi). Under-17: Tanish Sharma (Pouni) beat Neeraj Singh (Pouni). TABLE TENNIS: Under-14: Zone Reasi beat Zone Arnas. ROPE SKIPPING: Under-14: Vansh Dogra (Reasi), Ist and Swayam Verma, 2nd. Under-17: Anchal Singh (Reasi), Ist and Gursimran (Pouni), 2nd. BAD-MINTON: Under-14: Singles: Mohd. Inran (Reasi) beat Mukesh Singh (Arnas). Double: Ayush Sharma and Pankaj (Pouni) beat Anil and Vasu Varma (Reasi).