

# Indian senior women’s team creates history by winning silver medal in 3rd AVC Challenge Cup

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THAILAND: The Indian Senior Women Volleyball Team created history by securing silver medal for the first time in a Princes Cup 3rd AVC Women's Challenge Cup held at Nakhon Pathom, Thailand from June 24 to 30, 2022.

Thailand survived a huge scare from India to beat the tough rivals in hard-fought five-set thriller 3-2 (23-25, 25-12, 25-22, 18-25, 15-13) in their final clash of the Princess Cup 3rd AVC Women's Challenge Cup at Nakhon Pathom Sports Centre Gymnasium at Thailand.

The opening set turned out to be a hotly-contested battle when both Thailand and India gave it all-out in their last clash to determine the eventual winners.

Amazingly, throughout the thrilling set, the gap between



Indian Senior Women's Volleyball Team receiving runner-up trophy at 3rd AVC Women's Challenge Cup.

the two sides was not more than 2 points.

Powerful Anushree K.P, Captain Nirmal, Soorya played fantastic volleyball in this nail biting thriller. Saranya declared Best Universal, Jini K.S Best Setter and Aswsthi D. adjudged Best Libero of the 3rd AVC Cup.

All credit goes to Indian women players who fought

well throughout this event by securing second position and silver medal.

Member Parliament Kandhamal and President, Volleyball Federation of India, Prof. (Dr.) Achyuta Samanta congratulated all the Members of the Indian women team and Head Coach, Pritam Singh Chauhan, Vaishali Phadtare and Manager Vijaypal Singh

for this creditable performance of Indian women's team.

Indian Team Head Coach Pritam Singh Chauhan and all the players' thanked Prof. Achyuta Samanta, President Volleyball Federation of India (VFI), MP Kandhamal & Founder KIIT & KISS for providing all facilities for preparation of Indian Team at KIIT

University Campus.

They also expressed gratitude to former Secretary-General VFI and international volleyball player, Ramavtar Singh Jakhar under whose supervision and guidance volleyball has gained a lot of ground in India as well at international level.

With hard work of Ramavtar Singh Jakhar, volleyball gain popularity in all the region of the country as one of its most played games.

Meanwhile, Patron-in-Chief Volleyball Association of Jammu and Kashmir, Raj Daluja, president Sidharth Daluja, Chief Executive Officer Kuldeep Magotra and other office bearers also congratulated the Indian women team for their silver medal achievements in the prestigious championship and extending their good wishes.

# JU's Summer State Showdown Basketball event concludes



Basketball teams posing with dignitaries at JU.

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JAMMU: Students of Directorate of Sports and Physical Education University of Jammu (JU) successfully hosted 3x3 Summer State Showdown Basketball Tournament on the JU Campus here.

The women's title trophy went to JU, who beat Ball Busters in the final to receive a cash prize of Rs 7100. Women JU team: Kiran Kour, Komal, Lakshika Jamwal, Tamanna). Runners-up Ball Busters (Anupriya, Sakshi, Rimjhim, Radhika) get Rs 5100 cash prize. The third place with Rs 3100 prize money went to STC Warriors. Anupriya (cash prize Rs 2100) named best player while Kiran Kour (Rs 1500) declared as best shooter. The best defender title went to Chitreshi (Rs 1500) and Shalhu (Rs 1500) declared emerging player.

Similarly, in men's category, Team Warriors (Ranbir

Singh, Shubham Sharma, Pranshu, Abhimaniyu Katoch) trounced Beeba Boys (Jaskirat, Amanjot Singh, Abhinav, Harun). Third place went to JU team (Neeraj Manhas, Hritik Khullar, Shivam Sharma). Most valuable player title went to Ranbir Singh (Rs 2100) and the best shooter trophy bagged by Shubham Sharma (Rs 1500). Jaskirat Singh (Rs 1500) declared best defender and emerging player title bagged by Pranshu Thakur (Rs 1500).

The competition held on league cum knockout basis among 32 teams, including seven in women section.

Added in Tokyo Olympic in the year 2020, 3x3 basketball is a variation of basketball game which consists of four players in each team (three players on court) for duration on 10 minutes with the aim to score points by putting the ball in the opponent's basket. This new vari-

ation of basketball is adopted and played all over the country.

This tournament is an initiative by students of B.P.Ed semester 4th (Hritik Khullar, Komal, Shivam Sharma, Muskan Rajput, Neeraj Manhas, Kiran Kour, Kajal Sharma and Manisha Manhas) under the guidance.

In the closing function, Harjinder Singh, former senior India team coach and present SAI coach Jammu was chief guest, who along with other guests felicitated the winners and runners-up teams as also those individual achievers.

President of Jewellers Association, Raman Suri graced the occasion as Guest of Honour along with Director Sports, Daud Iqbal. Other prominent present were Sushma Jamwal, Rohi Gupta and Ankush Gupta, Joginder Singh.

# Blind Cricket Match played at Shopian



Winner and runner-up teams posing with officials.

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SHOPIAN: On the directions of Deputy Commissioner, Shopian, Sachin Kumar Vaishya and Joint Director Youth Services and Sports Department, Bashir Ahmed,

the Department of Youth Services and Sports District Shopian in collaboration with District Administration Shopian on Thursday organised a Blind Cricket Match, first of its kind at Sports Stadium Batpora, here.

The Match was inaugurated by District Youth Services and Sports Officer, Gurmukh Singh Dutta.

On the occasion, South Blind Cricket Team and Central Blind Cricket team locked horns against each other resulting in Central Cricket Team winning the match.

The winner and runner up teams were awarded with trophies and all the players were awarded with certificates and uniforms by DYSSO Shopian.

The officers and officials of Youth Services and Sports Department, besides a large number of people were present to watch the match.

# Weightlifting camps from July 4

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JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Weightlifting Association shall hold 14-day coaching camps at Jammu and Srinagar from July 4 to 18 involving players from all three age groups of Youth, Junior and Seniors.

While the camp for Jammu shall take place at New Indoor Complex, MA Stadium, the coaching shall be provided for those Kashmir players at Srinagar.

Budding players from three district each of Jammu and Kashmir Divisions shall be involved in the 14-day coaching camp, a handout issued by

the Association informed.

At Jammu, players can contact Akash Virdhi (7006291258), Amit Kumar Sharma (9796648896), Manjit Singh (9469470004) and coordinator Dinesh Singh Pathania (9419107584).

Similarly, at Kashmir, interested players can contact Showkat Majid (9797786135), Azhar Siddiq (985840500) and Coordinator, Bashir Ahmed (9149641113).

The camp shall be conducted under the supervision of Daljit Singh, Ajaz Ahmed Chowdhary, Anis Ahmed Chowdhary, Ravi Singh and Sharat Chander Singh.

# Doda wrestler Nadeem wins Chhapanoo Dangal title

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KATRA: Wrestler Nadeem of Doda of J&K Police lifted 60TH Annual Chhapanoo (Fadya) Dangal Title by defeating Wrestler Manjit of Delhi in the main bout that lasted for 16 minutes at Village Chhapanoo near Paracheen Shiv Mandir in Tehsil and District Reasi.

The one day wrestling event (Dangal) was organized by Chapanoo Dangal Committee in association with J&K Indian Style Wrestling Association under the overall supervision of Sarpanch Sukhdev Singh, Sham Lal Sharma (Former Sarpanch) and Harbans Lal (Panch).

President J&K Indian Style Wrestling Association and Former Joint Secretary J&K Sports Council (JKSC), Shiv Kumar



President JKISWA, Shiv Kumar Sharma declaring wrestler Nadeem as winner.

Sharma was the chief guest, who gave away cash prizes to the winners and runner-up wrestler in presence of Sukhdev Singh (Sarpanch), Sham Lal Sharma (Former Sarpanch) and Harbans Lal (Panch).

Tehsildar Reasi Munshi Ram, Inspector Rakesh Kumar, and President Sat Guru Kabir Sabha Reasi Surindr Kumar Bhagat

were the guests of honour. Ashok Kesar Teacher, Former Sarpanch Rattan Singh and Bittu Jamwal were also present.

The winner of 1st malli bout Nadeem was awarded with cash prize of Rs. 6,000 while runner-up Wrestler Manjit was awarded with Rs 5,000. Baneet Sharma S/o Rattan Lal contributed Rs. 11,000 as financial assistance to the organizers.

The bouts were officiated by Deepak Wazir, Tulinder Kumar, Manjoor Hussain, Lal Singh, Punjab Singh (Panch), Babu Khan and Murli Dhar (Munna).

Members of organizing Committee who helped in smooth conduct of Dangal were Sarpanch Sukhdev Singh, former Sarpanch Sham Lal Sharma, Harbans Lal (Panch), Rattan Lal (Naib Sarpanch), Bishan Dass, Deepak Kumar, Yash Paul, Rakesh Kumar Master, Sat Paul, Karan Singh (Panch) Prem Singh (Panch), and Ram Raj Master.

Proceedings of the Dangal were conducted by Sarpanch Sukhdev Singh while Shiv Kumar Sharma presented votes of thanks. In total 68 bouts were

played in the Dangal an expenditure Rs. 1,00,000 has been incurred for conduct of this one day long wrestling event. The second main bout was won by Muneer Khan of Nargota who defeated Varinder of Sonipat and third bout was won by Vijay of Rohtak who defeated Murad Ali of Nagrota.

Shiv Kumar Sharma appreciated organizers for the arrangements to make the event successful. Sharma said such type of Dangal would boost the morale of Wrestlers in the J&K UT. He said traditional game of Wrestling was very popular in the rural and hilly areas from the old time. He said organizing the traditional dangal will go a long way in preserving the games and spirit of Sports.

# Hayatpura Club wins Volleyball title



Army officer presenting trophy to a winner team.

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RAJOURI: Hayatpura Volleyball Club clinched the title trophy in an event which was organised by the Indian Army in support with J&K Sports Council and Volleyball Association of Rajouri at Higher Secondary School

ground, Manjakote.

In the final, Hayatpura Club defeated Mangalnar Volleyball Club in straight sets of 29-27, 25-21. Commanding Officer of the local Army base was chief guest, who gave away the title trophies and other individual prizes.

Earlier, he interacted with the finalist teams and witnessed the final game. Sub Divisional Police Officer, Child Development Project Officer, Sarpanch Manjakote and Incharge Rajouri Volleyball Association, Mohd Tariq, SHO Manjakote, Gulzar Hussain ZPEO Manjakote and Razaq Khan (ZPEO Retd.) were the special guests.

A total eight teams participated in this event. Today's matches, including the final, officiated by the technical panel including Jameel Hussein, Zahied Khan, Shakil Khan, Shabir Khan, Sangeer Khan and Rashied Khan.

# Battle of equals as JKCA selects 15-member squads for Sr Men's One-Day final

## JKCA Blue (Jammu Province) to face JKCA Orange (Kashmir Province) on July 2

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JAMMU: The Jammu and Kashmir Cricket Association (JKCA) has selected the 15-member squads from both the divisions for the final match of the Senior Men's One-Day Tournament to be played on July 2 at Sher-e-Kashmir Cricket Stadium Srinagar. One gets a feeling that it will be the battle of equals as both the teams are almost equally strong. The teams: JKCA Blue (Jammu Province): Jatin Wadhawan, Suryansh Raina (WK), Shubham Khajuria, Shubham Pundir (C), Abdul Samad, Henan Malik, Abid Mushtaq, Yudhvir Singh, Ramdayal, Akash Choudhary, Sahil Lotra, Rohit Sharma, Ritik Singh, Yawar Ayoub and Abhishtant Bakshi. JKCA Orange (Kashmir Province): Adil Reshi, Amir Khan, Asif Ramzan (WK), Sheikh Usaid, Zaman Qayoom, Parvez Rasool, Waseem Raza (C), Nasir Lone, Irfan ul Haq, Aqub Nabi, Shahrulh Dar, Umar Nazir, Intiaz Ganie, Tahir Ahmed Bhat and Nadeem Dar.



Shubham Pundir (Captain JKCA Blue) and Waseem Raza (Captain JKCA Orange).

# Shiksha Niketan School secures 28 positions in class 12 results

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JAMMU: Students of Shiksha Niketan Higher Secondary School, Jeevan Nagar, have secured 28 positions in different streams in the Higher Secondary Part-II (Class XII) annual examination (summer zone) of the Jammu province, the results of which were declared in Thursday by the J&K Board of School Education (JKBOSE).

A total of 713 students of the school appeared in the Class XII board exams, out of which



Principal, Rameshwar Mengi congratulating meritorious students.

28 students secured positions, 570 got distinctions and 130 students got 1st grade.

There were celebrations in the school today as the meritorious students came along with

their parents.

Principal of the school, Rameshwar Mengi congratulated the students who brought laurels to the institution and their parents. The elated students danced on the beats of drums on the school premises.

The overall result is 98.17% which again is the greatest accomplishment or milestone for the Shiksha Niketan family. The position holders along with their respected parents were honoured by Principal, Rameshwar Mengi, the management, the incharges and the staff members.

# Shaheed Mehran Memorial tournament concludes at Agsi

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REASI: Shaheed Mehran Memorial tournament concluded on Thursday here at Agsi.

The tournament was organised by Shabir Ahmed Ghehdarmat with active coordination of Mahore, District Administration Mahore, JKP Mahore, ZEPO Mahore and PRIs of Block Gulabgarh.

In the final match MCC Bagga batted first and scored 209 runs for the loss of 5 wickets in the allotted 20 overs in response to which RCC Ladh could manage to score just 150 for the loss of 8 wickets in the allotted overs.

SDM Mahore, Mazahir Hussain Shah, participated as Chief Guest and SDPO Mahore, Chhabail Singh Bhau was guest of honour.

ZEPO Mahore, Doctor Amjad Bhat from CHC Mahore and other officials, besides a huge gathering of locals, PRIs and students



Winner team receiving trophy from Chief Guest.

from local institutions were present.

The Organizing committee thanked the District Administration Reasi to allow Organization of such a tournament in this historical and scenic place.

Locals also highlighted demands before the SDM Mahore like construction of road from Pagvala to Agsi, Mobile connectivity in Agsi, bringing Agsi and adjoining areas on the map of tourism, water connections and electricity connections for Agsi area beside other demands.

Later Prize distribution

ceremony was held in which prizes were presented among the players, Umpires and other associated officials.

It is pertinent to mention here that the winner team of the tournament was awarded with a trophy and cash prize of Rs 25000 and runner up team bagged a cash prize of Rs 15000, besides Player of the match and Players of the tournament were also suitably rewarded.

Locals also demanded permission to organise another tournament and a cultural event at Agsi after monsoons to which SDM Mahore agreed in principle.