

# Samson, Mukesh fire India to 42-run win over Zimbabwe in 5th T20I, bag series 4-1

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
HARARE: Sanju Samson's well-crafted fifty and Mukesh Kumar's disciplined spell helped India wind up their Zimbabwe tour with a comprehensive 42-run victory in the fifth and final T20I here on Sunday.

With this win, India clinched the series 4-1. Samson's (58, 45b) was central to India's healthy 167 for six along with Shivam Dube's flashy 26 (12b). Then the India bowlers led by Mukesh (4/22), Shivam Dube (2/25) and Washington Sundar (1/7) did their job, bundling out Zimbabwe for 125 in 18.3 overs.

After the early dismissal of Wessly Madhevere, who dragged the third ball of the first over by pacer Mukesh onto his stumps, and Brian Bennett, the pair of Tadiwanashe Marumani (27) and Dion Myers (34) added 44 runs for the third wicket to keep the hosts in the hunt.

Marumani's switch-hit four off leg-spinner Ravi Bishnoi, who went for a few runs in this match, was quite stunning in its execution.

But such shots were few and far between from the Zimbabwe batters. Marumani went for a sweep shot against Washington but missed the line altogether as the ball crashed on to his upper torso to get adjudged as leg-before.

Dube tailed a shuffling Myers with a quicker delivery onto his body, and the Zimbabwe batter merely



chipped the ball to Abhishek Sharma at short third man. The final nail on their hope was the run out of skipper Sikandar Raza (8), which came in a cartwheel of four wickets for nine runs.

Mukesh, who bagged his career-best T20 figure, fittingly ended Zimbabwe innings going through the gate of Richard Ngarava.

Earlier, Samson (1x4, 4x6) and Rivan Parag (22, 24b) added 65 runs for the fourth wicket as India recovered from a middling Power Play in which they scored 44 for three.

Yashasvi Jaiswal (12), who made an unbeaten 93 in the fourth T20I, started the proceedings with two sixes in the first two balls of the innings bowled by Raza.

But in the fourth ball of the same over, Jaiswal played the wrong line to a delivery on the middle and leg stump to get bowled.

Abhishek, who was dropped on 10 by Bennett off Blessing Muzarabani, did not last long, edging the pacer two balls later to Clive Madande behind the wicket.

Skipper Shubman Gill, who received a reprieve on 11, was never in his fluent self and smashed left-arm seamer Ngarava straight into the hands of Raza in the deep.

At 44 for three, India needed a partnership to steady the innings. Samson and Parag provided just that.

Their alliance was all about prudence than the-

atrics, choosing the correct delivery to punish.

It was the right approach too considering the pitch was not precisely a belter as it was in the previous two matches, offering a hint of turn.

However, Samson showed his aggressive side when the opportunity presented itself.

He biffed leg-spinner Brandon Mavuto for two sixes in a row and the second shot was a little marvel.

Mavuto angled the ball into Samson's leg-stump, but the right-hander gave himself enough space to

carve that over extra cover for a maximum.

Samson brought up his fifty in 39 balls, his second in T20Is, but Parag departed as India were looking for some late acceleration.

The right-hander perished to Mavuto while looking to clear the fence, and Samson too could not carry on till the end of the innings.

He took on Muzarabani, the most impressive among home side bowlers, but ended up giving a catch to tumbling Marumani.

However, the tourists found some late steam through Dube's fireworks.

## SCOREBOARD

India		
Yashasvi Jaiswal	c Sikandar Raza	12
Shubman Gill	(c) c Sikandar Raza	13
Abhishek Sharma	c Madande b Muzarabani	14
Sanju Samson	c Marumani b Muzarabani	58
Rivan Parag	c Ngarava b Mavuta	22
Shivam Dube	run out (Sikandar Raza/Faraz Akram)	26
Rinku Singh	not out	01
Washington Sundar	not out	01
<b>Extras</b>		<b>10</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>167/6</b>
Zimbabwe		
Wessly Madhevere	b Mukesh Kumar	00
Tadiwanashe Marumani	lbw b Washington Sundar	27
Brian Bennett	c Dube b Mukesh Kumar	10
Dion Myers	c Abhishek Sharma b Dube	34
Sikandar Raza	(c) run out (Dube)	08
Johnathan Campbell	c Deshpande b Dube	04
Clive Madande	c Samson b Abhishek Sharma	01
Faraz Akram	c Samson b Mukesh Kumar	27
Brandon Mavuta	c & b Deshpande	04
Blessing Muzarabani	not out	01
Richard Ngarava	b Mukesh Kumar	00
<b>Extras</b>		<b>09</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>125/10</b>

# Rahul to represent team India in international ICN Beach Physique Competitions 2024



ICN Beach Physique Competitions for 2024, which will take place in Bali, Indonesia, and Canberra, Australia.

At 60 years old, Rahul Dev Manhas is a retired government official and a fitness expert.

In the recently concluded ICN Nationals held at New Delhi on July 13 at Talkatora indoor Stadium, he achieved notable success. He secured first place in the 50-plus masters category and second place in the 40-plus masters category.

Apart from his competitive achievements, Rahul Dev Manhas is actively involved in imparting fitness training.

He selects his students through a rigorous interview process, ensuring that he can provide personalized and effective training to a limited number of students.

His dedication to fitness and his achievements in competitive bodybuilding highlight his commitment to maintaining physical fitness and promoting a healthy lifestyle.

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Rahul Dev Manhas has been selected once again as the flag bearer for Team India in the international

# Mahim, Utkarsh lead in Shooting Championship



Shooters participating in 13th Jammu District Shooting Championship at Jammu.

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: On the penultimate day of the 13th Jammu District Shooting Championship at Aim 10X Shooting Academy, Vikas Lane, here on Sunday, Sharat Chander Singh, Chief Executive Officer of the Jammu and Kashmir Rifle Association (JKRA), visited the venue.

Sharat Chander observed the shooting competitions across different age categories

and interacted with the participating shooters.

Mahim Satti from Aim 10X Shooting Academy was leading in the 10m Air Pistol Youth Men category with a score of 362/400.

Meanwhile, Utkarsh Khajuria from Mission Olympics Shooting Academy was the top scorer in the 10m Air Rifle Senior Men category.

The final results of the championship will be announced during the valedic-

tory function and prize distribution ceremony scheduled for July 17, 2024.

The matches were conducted under the supervision of Priya Chib, Tarun Dev Singh Jamwal (Member, Technical Committee, JKRA), and Rajesh Virdhya (Chairman, Technical Committee, JKRA).

Also present at the event were Vishal Mehra, Aman Singh (Coaches, MOSAJ), and Pranav Sambyal (Coach, Aim 10x Shooting Academy).

# Tarsem, Danish attain certification as National coaches in Kalarippayattu

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Two members of the Kalarippayattu Association of Jammu & Kashmir, namely Tarsem Sharma and Danish Sharma, have successfully attained certification as National coaches in Kalarippayattu.

This accomplishment follows their participation in the rigorous five-day National Level Certification Course organized by the Indian Kalarippayattu Federation at Central Stadium, Trivandrum - Kerala, held from July 10 to 14, 2024.

Their achievement underscores their dedication to advancing their skills and expertise in this traditional Indian martial art.



# Design academic odyssey as per aptitude: Rana tells meritorious pass outs

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

NAGROTA: Senior BJP leader Devender Singh Rana on Sunday exhorted the meritorious students to design their academic path as per aptitude and innate abilities to meet the challenges of the obtaining competitive world.

"Having passed the crucial classes with flying colours, focus on now upon what you want to be in consultation with parents and teachers", Rana told 158 students of Block Nagrota while felicitating them on their outstanding score in the recently declared results for class 10th and 12th.

Devender Rana told the students that they were fortunate enough to pursue their studies in an era when the government led by the visionary Prime Minister Narendra Modi is focused on youth empowerment and giving new wings to those aspiring for excellence.

He referred to the measures initiated during the past one decade in the educational sector of Jammu and Kashmir,



Senior BJP leader Devender Singh Rana felicitating meritorious students.

which inter alia include establishment of about 50 degree colleges and enrolment of more than 45000 children, with girls benefiting the most.

He recalled how difficult it used to be for the governments even to think of spending huge amounts of money in the field of education and skill development.

But the Prime Minister has made it possible to spend more

# HCES holds selection trials for national championship 2024



Aveleen Kour, Joint Director of RDD, Manjit Singh, President of Sikhs 4 All Foundation, posing with other dignitaries and participants.

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

UDHAMPUR: The Harman Cultural and Educational Society (HCES) in Jammu organized state-level trials for Dance, Acting, and Singing at the Sher-a-Kashmir Police Academy Auditorium in Udhampur.

These trials were held in preparation for the upcoming National Dance/Acting/Singing Competition 2024, scheduled to take place in Ayodhya, Uttar Pradesh, organized by the Performing Arts Association of India.

Approximately 100-120 children and youth from various

age groups and different districts of Jammu & Kashmir participated in the trials, showcasing their talents across various dance forms.

The performances were well-received by the audience in attendance. Aveleen Kour, Joint Director of RDD, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest, while Manjit Singh, the honorable President of Sikhs 4 All Foundation, attended as the Guest of Honour. A galaxy of special guests were present and enjoyed the performance of the children. The event commenced with the traditional lighting of the lamp by the Chief Guest and other dignitaries.

A panel of judges selected the best performers from the trials, who will now represent Jammu & Kashmir at the national level competition in Ayodhya in August 2024.

The Chief Guest and other guests felicitated the selected performers and extended their best wishes for their future competitions.

Gurvinder Kour, the General Secretary of Harman Cultural and Educational Society, concluded the event by delivering the vote of thanks, expressing gratitude to all participants, guests, and organizers for making the event successful and memorable.

# Minnu Mani to lead India A Women across formats against Australia A

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

MUMBAI: Off-spinner Minnu Mani will lead the India 'A' Women with Shweta Sehrawat as her deputy during the multi-format tour of Australia beginning August 7.

India is scheduled to play three T20s, three 50-over ties and a four-day clash against Australia 'A' during the upcoming tour.

The squad also consists of Sajana Sajeevan, Uma Chetry and Saika Ishaque.

Shabnam Shakeel has also been included but her selection is subject to fitness. The 27-year-old fast bowler Saima Thakor has been added to the squad on standby.

India A squad: Minnu Mani (c), Shweta Sehrawat (vc), Priya Punia, Shubha Sathesh, Tejal Hasabnis, Kiran Navgire, Sajana

Sajeevan, Uma Chetry (wk), Shipra Giri (wk), Raghavi Bisht, Saika Ishaque, Mannat Kashyap, Tanuja Kanwar, Priya Mishra, Meghna Singh, Sayali Satghare, Shabnam Shakeel and S Yashasri.

Standby: Saima Thakor

Schedule:

August 7 - 1st T20 (Allan Border Field, Brisbane)

August 9 - 2nd T20 (Allan Border Field, Brisbane)

August 11 - 3rd T20 (Allan Border Field, Brisbane)

August 14 - 1st 50-over (Mackay)

August 16 - 2nd 50-over (Mackay)

August 18 - 3rd 50-over (Mackay)

August 22-25 - 4-day encounter (Gold Coast).

# GHSS Nagri Parole shines in class 11 result

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

KATHUA: The results of the HSP-1 session 2023-24 from Government Higher Secondary School (GHSS) Nagri Parole, Kathua, reflect commendable academic achievements.

Out of 136 students who appeared for the examinations, 119 qualified, while 17 will have to reappear or were unsuccessful.

The overall pass percentage stands impressively at 87.5 per-

cent, with 39 students achieving distinctions, 51 securing 1st divisions, 24 earning 2nd divisions, and 5 obtaining 3rd divisions.

Among the top performers are Rohit Badyal, Palak Devi, and Preeti Saini, who scored exceptionally well with 95.4 per cent, 93.8 per cent, and 93.2 per cent respectively.

Their achievements are followed closely by Kushal Gupta, Geetanjali (92.4 pc), Geetanjali

(91.8 pc), Avantika Verma (89.6 pc), Janvi Devi (89.4 pc), Konika Saini (88.6 pc), Nancy Devi (83 pc), Aryan Kumar (83 pc), Abhay Singh (81.6 pc), Anjana Badyal (81 pc), Shaina (80.4 pc). These results underscore the dedication of both students and educators at Government HSS Nagri Parole in Kathua, highlighting their commitment to academic excellence and success in the HSP-1 examinations.

# JSKK Divyang students shine in 11th class Board Exam

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: The Divyang students of the School for Hearing Handicapped have once again registered brilliant results in 11th class examination, declared by the J&K Board of School Education on Sunday.

This school is run by a prominent charitable NGO, J&K Samaj Kalyan Kendra, Jammu (SKK). Out of five speech and hearing-impaired students of the

school who appeared in the Board exam, three got distinction while two got first division. Karanjit Singh and Surekha Devi jointly stood first in the school with 80.4 per cent marks. Earlier in matriculation results, Sudha Choudhary topped the class with securing 462 out of 500 marks.

Other five students too secured distinction. However, two Divyang students had got reappear.

Both Surekha Devi and Sudha Choudhary are the recipients of a scholarship from a German based NGO for the last two years. Both girls were selected for this Rs 36000 scholarship, based on 'merit cum poverty'. This Scholarship, granted through the good offices of well-known academician, social activist, and President of the Dogri Sanstha, Prof Latit Magotra. By standing first in Board

exams both the Divyang girls have justified the scholarship.

The President K B Jandial and the members of the SKK have congratulated the Divyang students for their outstanding performance in the Board exams and bring laurels to the School. They also commended the Principal and the teaching faculty, and the parents for putting in hard work that is instrumental in this brilliant result.

# Join hands with DPAP headed by Azad: Maheshwar



Advocate Maheshwar Singh Manhas, Provincial General Secretary DPAP Jammu addressing public meeting.

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Advocate Maheshwar Singh Manhas, Provincial General Secretary

DPAP Jammu, on Sunday addressed a meeting at Khajurian Mohalla (Ward 59) Jammu North Assembly seg-

ment.

While addressing the people of the area, Manhas appealed to the people to join hands with DPAP headed by Ghulam Nabi Azad Sahib (Former CM of J&K) for the progress, peace and development of J&K and it's people.

He added that the short term of Ghulam Nabi Azad as CM of J&K state is appreciated by the people of all walks of life and it is the proper time for people to unite and fight for getting the Statehood restored.

He assured the people that he

will leave no stone unturned to get their problems solved.

The meeting was organised by youth leaders Akshay Tenotra, Rajeev Bhagat and Arjun Singh Chib.

Prominent among others who were present and spoke includes Pawan Kumar (Raju Mahajan) Block president Janipur Paloura, Madan Pal Singh District Vice president Jammu Urban, Rajeshwar Singh Block President Janipur Paloura and Davinder Khajuria President DPAP Block Bhalwal.