

# Harmanpreet, Richa Ghosh guide India to 78-run win over UAE in Women's Asia Cup

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DAMBULLA: Contrasting fifties from skipper Harmanpreet Kaur and Richa Ghosh were complemented nicely by the bowlers as India notched up a massive 78-run win over UAE in their second match of the ongoing women's Asia Cup T20 tournament here on Sunday.

Invited to bat, Kaur played the anchor's role to perfection with a 47-ball 66, while Ghosh produced late charge with an unbeaten 29-ball-64 to power defending champions India to 201 for five, their first-ever 200-plus score in T20Is.

The bowlers, led by Deepti Sharma (2/23), then produced a clinical show to limit UAE to 123 for 7 as India put one foot in the semifinals.

With two wins in as many games, India occupy the top spot in group A with four points and have a Net Run Rate of +3.298.

India will play their third and final group game against



Nepal on Tuesday.

Chasing the daunting total, opener Esha Rohit Oza scored a 36-ball 38 (5x4, 1x6) but UAE never were in the chase as they kept losing wickets at regular intervals.

Pace duo of Renuka Singh (1/30) and Pooja Vastrakar (1/27) dismissed Theertha Satish (4) and Rinitha Rajith (7) as UAE slipped to 24 for 2 in 5.2 overs.

Deepti then struck in her third ball, removing Samaira Dharnidharka (5) but Oza and Kavisha Egodage (40 not out) played some entertain-

ing shots to score 20 runs in next three overs.

However, Tanuja Kanwar (1/14), who had replaced an injured Shreyanka Patil in the playing XI, had Oza stumped, while Radha Yadav (1/29) got rid of Khushi Sharma (10) as UAE fell to 95 for five in the 16th over.

Heena Hotehandani then became Deepti's second victim and Rithika was run out in the last ball as UAE finished far away from India's total.

Earlier, while the 35-year-old Harmanpreet blasted

seven fours and a six during her innings, Ghosh slammed as many as 12 boundaries and a maximum, including five consecutive hits to the fence in the final over of the innings bowled by

Hotehandani.

Kaur stitched two crucial partnerships, adding 54 off 39 balls with Jemimah Rodrigues and 75 off 45 balls with Ghosh to put India in a commanding position.

SCOREBOARD		
INDIA		
Shafali Verma	c †Theertha Satish b Dharnidharka	37
Smriti Mandhana	c Rinitha Rajith b Egodage	13
Dayalan Hemalatha	b Hotehandani	02
Harmanpreet (c)	run out (Nandakumar/Hotehandani)	66
Jemimah Rodrigues	c Rinitha Rajith b Egodage	14
Richa Ghosh	† not out	64
Pooja Vastrakar	not out	00
<b>Extras</b>		<b>05</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>201/5</b>
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES		
Esha Oza (c)	st †Ghosh b Kanwar	38
Theertha Satish	† c Kaur b Renuka Singh	04
Rinitha Rajith	b Vastrakar	07
Samaira Dharnidharka	c Kanwar b Sharma	05
Kavisha Egodage	not out	40
Khushi Sharma	c Mandhana b Yadav	10
Heena Hotehandani	c Shafali Verma b Sharma	08
Rithika Rajith	run out (Yadav/†Ghosh)	06
<b>Extras</b>		<b>05</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>123/7</b>

# Mission Shakti Sankalp HEW organises Legal awareness programme



Resource Person, Advocate Meenu Padha and others at an awareness programme.

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JAMMU: Mission Shakti SANKALP: Hub for Empowerment of Women and Social Welfare Department on Sunday organized an awareness session on women -centric provisions in Bharatiya Nyay Sanhita. Such training enables women to learn new laws for safety and protection and stay informed with emerging new law provisions and procedure like BNS (Bhartiya Nyay Sanhita), BNSS (Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita) and BSA

many as 90 females participated.

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(Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam).

The Resource Person, Advocate Meenu Padha explained about the new criminal laws and the replaced form of Indian Penal Code and also the importance of fundamental rights and duties for women. She also explained the POSCO Act and POSH Act.

The staff of HEW, BPM, NRLM Umeed and SHG members were present on the occasion.

# AJKCA hosts National Arbiters seminar



Participants posing with AJKCA members at Senior National Arbiters seminar.

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JAMMU: All J&K Chess Association (AJKCA) hosted the Senior National Arbiters seminar which was conducted by All India Chess Federation (AICF) at Hotel Nek, here.

In total, 40 aspirants from around the country participated in this seminar and those emerged successful shall be allowed to work as Arbiters in the National championships, a handout issued here today informed.

International Arbitrator, Vasanth was the resource person during the two days course thus delivering to the participants latest FIDE laws of chess. Later, exam was conducted to access the level of participants.

Earlier, Atul Kumar Gupta, working president AJKCA declared open the seminar in presence of Baldev Raj, president AJKCA; Comrade Parvez Sajad, treasurer AJKCA; SP Sharma, Arvindu and Asim Billa.

# DG Rural Sanitation inaugurates Nukkad Natak show at Baltal

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BALTAL: In a significant move to promote safe sanitation practices during the Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra, Anoo Malhotra, Director General (DG) Rural Sanitation, Jammu and Kashmir, inaugurated a Nukkad Natak show at the Baltal Base Camp. The event aimed to educate pilgrims and locals about the importance of maintaining hygiene and sanitation throughout the Yatra.

The Nukkad Natak, a popular street play format, was organized to engage the audience in an interactive and impactful manner. Through captivating performances, the artists conveyed crucial messages on the proper use



DG Rural Sanitation J&K, Anoo Malhotra visiting Baltal Base Camp.

of sanitation facilities, the importance of handwashing, and responsible waste disposal practices. The initiative is part of the broader Information, Education, and Communication (IEC) strategy designed to ensure a clean and hygienic environ-

ment during the pilgrimage.

Speaking at the event, Anoo Malhotra emphasized the significance of community involvement in maintaining sanitation standards. "It is imperative that we work collectively to uphold the sanctity of the Shri

Amarnath Ji Yatra by adhering to safe sanitation practices. This Nukkad Natak is a creative way to engage with the pilgrims and impart essential hygiene messages," she stated.

Following the Nukkad Natak, Malhotra visited the Waste Management Facilities operated by Urban Enviro Waste Management Ltd. at Domail camp. The site visit aimed to review the functionality of the sanitation facilities and ensure they are equipped to handle the influx of pilgrims. During her inspection, she interacted with the staff and assessed the operational efficiency of the waste management systems in place.

Malhotra expressed satis-

faction with the measures implemented by Urban Enviro Waste Management Ltd. "The facilities at Domail camp are crucial in our efforts to manage waste effectively and maintain a clean environment for the pilgrims. It is encouraging to see the commitment and diligence of the team in ensuring the success of these initiatives," she remarked.

The Directorate of Rural Sanitation, in collaboration with various stakeholders, continues to prioritize the well-being of pilgrims through comprehensive sanitation strategies. These efforts are pivotal in achieving the goal of sustainable sanitation and a zero-landfill pilgrimage experience.

# BCA organises U-14 Exposure Series to promote cricket

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BHADERWAH: Bhaderwah Cricket Academy (BCA) has launched a new initiative to promote cricket among budding cricketers in the erstwhile district Doda. As part of this scheme, an exposure series for the U-14 group (both boys & girls) has been organized, with plans to extend the exposure to Doda and Kishtwar.

The inaugural match of the U-14 cricket series was held today at College Ground Bhaderwah. The match was played between Dronacharya Cricket Academy and Bhaderwah Cricket Academy, with the support of the Excise and Taxation Department, Doda.

Sameer Malik, ex-Ranji Trophy player and BCCI-affiliated video analyst, has taken the initiative to organ-



Participating teams posing for a photograph with dignitaries at a programme.

ize this exposure series, successfully conducting its first phase.

On behalf of Bhaderwah Cricket Academy, Sameer Malik expressed gratitude to the Excise and Taxation Department for their generous sponsorship of the match.

This initiative is a step toward the mission of "Nasha Mukta Bharat," aiming to steer the new generation away from drug abuse and toward sports activities.

The commitment of the

Excise and Taxation Department to fostering community engagement and promoting a healthy, active lifestyle is truly commendable.

The match analysis revealed that Dronacharya Cricket Academy scored 123 runs while batting first, with Sakshi scoring 42 and Arushi scoring 24. Khalid, who took 4 wickets, and Areeb, who took 3 wickets, were the standout bowlers. Bhaderwah Cricket Academy

successfully chased the target with only 4 wickets down. Sarthik's unbeaten 52 earned him the title of Man of the Match, while Athsham also contributed with 18 runs. Piyush took two wickets for Dronacharya Cricket Academy.

The organizing committee recognized special performers of the day: Best Fielder - Haim, Best Batsman - Sarthik, Best Bowler - Khalid, and Man of the Match - Sarthik.

# Uppal gives important tips to students in interaction program of IMCSD

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JAMMU: In its ongoing effort to offer students exposure through a summer internship programme, the Institute of Mass Communication and Skill Development (IMCSD) conducted a special interaction session with Tarun Uppal, Chairperson of Nirbhay Bharat Foundation J&K, held at 'Talab Tillo, here. Uppal shared valuable insights with the students, emphasizing the significance of media as the fourth pillar of democracy. He highlighted the pivotal role of the media in fortifying democracy and upholding accountability, particularly of the ruling political parties.

Staying current in the field is crucial, staying informed about the latest global events. Maintain curiosity by asking questions like "Why did this



occur?" or "How did this transpire?" Embrace the fundamental principles of "5Ws" journalism: "Who, what, where, when, and why."

Uppal provided in-depth information about his NGO to the students, expressing his vision of advocating for a drug-free India.

Currently, through his organization, Nirbhay Bharat Foundation, he is dedicated to

empowering the youth of Jammu & Kashmir by creating opportunities for them to excel in sports, education, and cultural activities on both national and international platforms.

Uppal motivated the students by highlighting the vast opportunities available in their chosen field. From newspaper sections to electronic channels, reporting, editing, graphic design, 24-hour news coverage,

and entertainment channels, each sector offers ample prospects.

Additionally, cinema, OTT platforms, PR roles, and communication officer positions in both government and private sectors are eagerly anticipating their talents. In attendance at the special gathering were Janvi Sharma, Monica Bangotra, Palak Rajput, Ridhima Sharma, Chandni, Raghavi Sharma, Anandita Gupta, Mansha Sharma, Marish Akhtar, Rudraksh Vaidya, Gayatri Kapoor, Riya Chalotra, Niharika Sharma, Chahat Dabgotra, Shalu Devi, Sneha Sharma, Sneha, Baljeet Kaur, along with senior journalists Naveen Kaul, and Vicky Verma.

# IIM Jammu awarded First Prize for Excellence in Management Studies at Government Achievements & Schemes Expo 2024

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NEW DELHI: Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Jammu, under the exemplary leadership of Prof. B.S. Sahay, Director, IIM Jammu, was awarded the first prize for Excellence in Management Studies at the prestigious Government Achievements and Schemes Expo 2024.

The event, organized by NNS Media Group, is being held at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi, from July 20 to 22, 2024, and saw participation from various reputed organizations, educational institutes including IIMs ranging from IIM Amritsar and IIM Raipur. IIM Jammu emerged victorious among all the participating IIMs in the expo, clinching the first prize and showcasing its unwavering commitment to excellence in education and national development.

Prof. B.S. Sahay, Director, IIM Jammu, expressed his happiness at the achievement, stating that the award is a recognition of the institute's relentless efforts towards achieving educational excellence and aligning with the national development goals.

He emphasized that it reflects IIM Jammu's dedication to fostering an environment that nurtures future leaders who are



equipped to contribute significantly to the nation's progress.

The IIM Jammu team, represented by Dr. Jai Kamal and Dr. Rambabu Lavuri, faculty, IIM Jammu, supported by Shashank Mishra and Arvind Kumar, staff, IIM Jammu garnered significant attention from school children, parents, aspiring college students, and entrepreneurial enthusiasts.

The stall highlighted the institute's comprehensive layout and its pivotal role in nurturing future leaders. The wide footfalls and enthusiastic engagement of visitors were a testament to IIM Jammu's dynamic presence and its contributions to the field of management education.

The Government Achievements and Schemes Expo 2024 is renowned for its focus on various welfare and development schemes of

Central and State governments, as well as Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs).

The event also featured concurrent exhibitions such as the International Agriculture & Horti Expo, World Organic Expo, and Food & Technology Expo, emphasizing critical areas including Ayushman Yojana, MSMEs, health, family welfare, rural and tribal development, financial institutions, power and energy conservation, and more.

IIM Jammu's participation in the Government Achievements and Schemes Expo 2024 underscores the institute's dynamic presence and its unwavering commitment to educational and entrepreneurial excellence. The recognition received at the event is a testament to the institute's ongoing efforts to contribute to the nation's growth and development.

# Morchas are front line warriors of Party: BJP

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JAMMU: Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), Jammu & Kashmir held Morcha Sammelans at various places across the region.

J&K BJP General Secretary (organization) Ashok Koul, accompanied by Minority Morcha President Ranjodh Singh Nalwa, District President Rekha Mahajan and others addressed the Minority Morcha Sammelan at party headquarter, Trikuta Nagar.

BJYM Sammelan in Jammu North District for Jammu North constituency was chiefly addressed by former Dy CM Kavinder Gupta. J&K BJYM President Arun Prabhat and others also addressed the Sammelan.

SC Morcha Sammelan for Jammu East Constituency in Jammu District was chiefly addressed by DDC Chairperson Bharat Bhusan Bodhi and SC Morcha President Neelam Langeh. BJP District President Parmod Kapahi, Jaidev Rajwal, Morcha District President Chaman Lal Bhagat and others addressed the Sammelan. OBC Morcha Sammelan



J&K BJP General Secretary (organization) Ashok Koul speaking at a programme.

for Suchetgarh constituency in District Jammu Border was chiefly addressed by former Dy Mayor JMC Baldev Singh Billawaria.

BJP Vice-President Choudhary Sham Lal, DDC Prof Gharu Ram Bhagat, District President Sunil Shastri, OBC President Sunil Prajapati, Seh-Prabhari H.S. Pamm, Krishan Lal Suverwal President Vishkarama Sabha, District president OBC Morcha Ashok Birdi and others also addressed the Sammelan.

BJP Mahila Morcha Sammelan for Kishtwar constituency in Kishtwar District was chiefly addressed by DDC Vice-Chairperson Sangeeta Bhagat. District president

Chuni Lal, senior leader Brij Mohan, Raj Badyal, Mahila Morcha district president Anjali Chauhan and others also addressed the Sammelan.

Ashok Koul, while addressing the Sammelan termed the Morchas as the most important part of the organization.

He said that the Morchas are the eyes and ears of our organization, which aware us of all the developments in the society.

He said that the Morcha activists are directly living in their communities and hence have the first hand knowledge of the issues of their communities and hence have the invariable capacity to project their issues within the organization as well as on the other appropriate

platforms for the redressal. He also termed the Morchas as the front line warriors who extend the base of the party into the

# Tug of War trials on July 24

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JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Tug of War Association shall hold selection trials to pick up teams for the upcoming 26th Sub-Junior, 37th Junior (Boys and Girls) and 37th Senior Women National Tug of War Championships to be held in Agra in Uttar Pradesh from August five to August nine.

The trial shall be conducted by selection committee of the Association

communities and hence aid in the strengthening of the organization.

Kavinder Gupta in his address focused on the Modi government's priority to improve the socio-economic conditions of various communities and said that the 'Sabka Sath, Sabka Vikas' approach of Modi sarkar along with the dedicated work by party's Morchas has been instrumental in the growing popularity of Modi government which resulted into the formation of third successive Modi government at the centre.

at Unique International Public school Gadigarh here on July 24 from 4 pm onwards, a handout issued by the Association here today.

The selection process shall take place under the overall supervision of Jodh Singh Isher, general secretary of the Association.

Those selected players shall be attending the coaching camp expected to be held at the same venue from July 25.