

## Boys U-14 Inter-School Cricket Tournament

# JKCA Leopards, Green Valley, DPS Sgr script big wins

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JAMMU: Heavy rains lashed Jammu and played spoilsport as none of the matches scheduled for the day in three different venues could be played and have been rescheduled, while in Srinagar JKCA Leopards, Green Valley School and DPS Srinagar registered big victories in the ongoing historic U-14 Boys Inter-School Cricket Tournament, being organised by the Jammu and Kashmir Cricket Association (JKCA) across various venues in Jammu and Srinagar.

At Doon School Ground, JKCA Leopards thrashed Leads School by 9 wickets. Batting first, Leeds School bundled out for 87 runs in 15 overs. Amaan top scored with 38 runs, while Reyana contributed 24 runs to the



Dignitary presenting man of the match award to a player.

total. Hazim was the wrecker-in-chief, who captured 5 wickets including a hat-trick, while Milad bagged 4 wickets.

In reply, JKCA Leopards chased the target by losing one wicket, thus winning the match by 9 wickets. Arslan 34 and Muzain 28 were the main contributors. Hazim was declared as the player of

the match.

Earlier, in the first match at Doon School, Green Valley trounced Foundation School in an easy contest by 9 wickets.

Green Valley chased the paltry total of 75 runs in just 7 overs, losing one wicket in the process to win the match by 9 wickets.

Foundation School earlier

collapsed at 74 runs in 12 overs. Tameen top scored with 19 runs. Himalaya bagged 4 wickets, while Ibrahim took 3 wickets for Green Valley School. For his all-round display, Ibrahim was adjudged as the player of the match.

At DPS Srinagar, Delhi Public School Srinagar registered a narrow win by 6

runs over Burn Hall School.

Winning the toss and deciding to bat first, Delhi Public School scored 131 runs in 20 overs by losing 4 wickets. Rafid top scored with 34 runs, while Dyan contributed 32 runs. For Burn Hall School, Humail took two wickets. Burn Hall school managed to score 125 runs only, thus losing the match by 6 runs. Usman top scored with 26 runs.

For Delhi Public School Azam took 3 wickets and was adjudged player of the match which was presented to him by Mudasir Ahmad, Sports Head of DPS Srinagar.

Tomorrow's Fixture of matches in Jammu

JKCA Tigers Vs Jodhamal School; Birla Vs GD Goenka and Heritage School Vs JKPS.

## 5 J&K men attend referee course in Goal Ball Shot



Selected coaches posing for photograph.

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JAMMU: Five senior players have qualified the coach cum referee course in newly introduced game of Goal Ball Shot in the Union Territory of J&K under the banner of Goal Ball Shot Association of J&K (GBSAJK).

The course was organised by the Goal Ball Shot Association of India at Delhi between July 11 and July 15

under the guidance of technical individuals, a handbook issued by the Association here today informed.

Those successfully attended the course included Anil Dogra, Kapil, Rohit Vadan, Sunny Dogra and Rahul.

Meanwhile, general secretary of the Goal Ball Shot Association of J&K, Ashutosh Sharma expressed gratitude to the national

body president, Harmanjeet Singh and general secretary, Rajendra Prasad for accommodating maximum number of officials from J&K for the expertise course in coaching and refereeing.

Important to mention here that J&K men in the recent past won a medal at the national level in the Goal Ball Shot thus made their presence felt.

## Yudhvir leads plantation-cum-sanitation drive at Govt Hari Singh School

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JAMMU: In a significant step towards promoting environmental sustainability and cleanliness, a plantation-cum-sanitation drive was organised today at Government Hari Singh Higher Secondary School, Jammu, under the banner of the "Clean Jammu, Green Jammu" initiative.

The event was conducted by Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC) in collaboration with the Urban Forestry Division of the J&K Forest Department.

On the occasion, Senior BJP leader and MLA Jammu East, Yudhvir Sethi was the chief guest.

Yudhvir stressed that schools are the ideal platforms to cultivate environmental values among the younger generation.

He emphasized the impor-



MLA Yudhvir Sethi planting the sapling.

tance of community participation in environmental conservation efforts and called upon the youth to lead the change for a greener future.

"It is our collective responsibility to preserve nature and ensure a clean and green environment for the generations to come," he said.

He said that such drives at the local level contribute meaningfully to realizing the Prime Minister's dream of a

cleaner, healthier, and more vibrant India.

Yudhvir also assured full support from his end for future activities aimed at improving urban greenery and sanitation, and urged other institutions to take inspiration from such drives. "Clean surroundings and green spaces are essential for a healthy society, and every citizen must contribute actively," he added.

The event was held under the dynamic leadership of Charu Anand, Principal of the school, who played a vital role in mobilizing students, faculty, and local residents for the noble cause. A large number of saplings were planted within the school premises by enthusiastic students and staff, who actively took part in the sanitation efforts as well.

Prominent officers from the Urban Forestry Division including Dr. Divyan Rabia Khan, Ashwani, and Rafiq, along with Dr. Vinod, Health Officer from JMC, were also present.

Others who joined the initiative included Govind Sareen, Parveen Kerni, Adarsh Jathiar, Sanjeev Sawhney, Arun Sethi, Sardar Harvinder Singh, Rakesh Jandyal, Sardar Funny, and Sanjay Majotra.

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JAMMU: The University of Jammu (JU) has achieved a remarkable milestone in the field of collaborative research by becoming a spoke institution under the prestigious Anusandhan National Research Foundation-Partnerships for Accelerated Innovation and Research (ANRF-PAIR) programme.

The university will collaborate with IIT Delhi, which is serving as the hub institution, in thematic areas such as Sustainable Environment, Photonics, and System Design for Clean Energy Transition.

The ANRF-PAIR initiative, launched by the Government of India, aims to foster accelerated innovation and research through strategic partnerships between hub institutions of



national importance and collaborating academic institutions (spokes).

Out of over 200 eligible spoke institutions and 32 hub institutions, only 18 hub institutions and 106 spoke institutions were finally selected for research grants after a rigorous evaluation process.

It is noteworthy that the University of Jammu is among the few State Universities in the country to be selected under this competitive scheme.

This success was made possible through the visionary leadership of Prof. Umesh

Rai, Vice Chancellor, whose continuous mentoring played a pivotal role in the University's achievement.

The ANRF-PAIR project proposal was meticulously developed under the guidance of Prof. Neelu Rohmetra, Dean of Research Studies, and led by Prof. Satya Paul, Principal Investigator from the Department of Chemistry.

The proposal was supported by 14 Co-PIs and faculty members from diverse departments including Botany, Physics, Electronics, Biotechnology, Computer Science,

Environmental Science, and The Business School.

Prof. Rai congratulated the team for their collective efforts and expressed optimism that the collaboration with IIT Delhi will open new avenues for cutting-edge research.

Prof. Neelu Rohmetra also extended her gratitude to ANRF, IIT Delhi, and partner institutions like DTU, Dr. Y.S. Parmar University, IGDUTW, and NSUT, emphasizing the programme's potential in enhancing research capacity and innovation at the University of Jammu.

## ABVP Kishtwar organises seminar, felicitation program to honour meritorious students, athletes

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KISHTWAR: The Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP) Kishtwar unit organized a vibrant seminar and felicitation program to celebrate the achievements of meritorious students and athletes who have excelled in Taekwondo and KalariPAYATTU. The event was held to mark National Students Day and ABVP Foundation Day, drawing enthusiastic participation from students, parents, and faculty members.

The program was graced by Shagun Parihar, Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA), Kishtwar, as the Chief Guest, and Sannak Shrivats, State Secretary, ABVP Jammu & Kashmir, as the Guest of Honour.

The ceremony began with



a welcome address by Prof. Vikram Shan, who emphasized the significance of the event in recognizing the dedication and hard work of young achievers in both academics and sports.

In her keynote address, Chief Guest Shagun Parihar congratulated all the meri-

torious students and athletes. She commended ABVP Kishtwar for its initiative and said, "The program to honour students and athletes is truly commendable. It not only serves to recognize talent but also inspires others to strive for excellence. I hope ABVP

continues this tradition of motivation and recognition in the years ahead."

Guest of Honour Sannak Shrivats highlighted ABVP's vision and long-term goals for student empowerment.

He remarked, "ABVP is committed to shaping the future of Bharat by empowering students with knowledge, skills, and values. Our vision for 2027 is focused on creating leaders and nation-builders who will drive positive societal change. Events like these are stepping stones towards building a brighter, stronger Bharat."

The event celebrated the academic success of board toppers and the sporting excellence of local athletes, bringing recognition to their achievements and encouraging others to fol-

low their example. Participants received certificates and mementos, acknowledging their hard work and dedication.

Vinay Aryan delivered the vote of thanks, expressing heartfelt gratitude to the chief guest, guest of honour, students, parents, and faculty members for making the event a success. He also appreciated the continuous support from the local community in promoting education and youth development.

ABVP Kishtwar's initiative reflects its unwavering commitment to fostering academic brilliance, athletic spirit, and the overall development of students. The event concluded on a high note, with smiles and applause echoing the spirit of pride and celebration throughout the venue.

## KCIS felicitates Ronav Parihar for Bollywood Debut in Sarzameen

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JAMMU: In a proud celebration of talent and achievement, KC International School (KCIS) hosted a felicitation ceremony on Tuesday in honour of Ronav Parihar, a student of School who has catapulted into the limelight with his Bollywood debut in the much-anticipated film Sarzameen, produced under the big banner of Dharma Productions.

The event was graced by Ronav's mother Nidhi Parihar, Chaitanya Chowdhary, President, KC International School, Anupama Sinha, Principal and Roma Devi, Vice Principal.

Ronav's cinematic journey begins alongside Bollywood stalwarts Kajol, Prithviraj Sukumaran, and Ibrahim Ali Khan, marking a momentous entry into the world of cinema. His success has brought immense pride not just to his family but to the entire KCIS community.

The felicitation ceremony, held at the school campus on Tuesday, July 22, saw an enthusiastic gathering of students, faculty, and parents,



highlighting the school's commitment to recognizing and nurturing talent beyond academics.

In his address, Chaitanya Chowdhary expressed his admiration for Ronav's accomplishments: "KC International School takes immense pride in students like Ronav, who truly embody our school's values and spirit of excellence. His achievement is a testament to what our young talents can accomplish when given the right guidance and support." Principal Anupama Sinha, while congratulating Ronav and his family, said, "Ronav's journey from classroom to the silver screen is inspira-

tional. We are incredibly proud of his dedication and wish him continued success in cinema and life."

Parents of the students were also invited to be part of the celebratory event, making it a memorable and inspiring moment for the entire school community.

As KC International School continues to foster holistic education and excellence, Ronav Parihar's success story stands as an outstanding example of what hard work, passion, and support can achieve.

Congratulations, Ronav! The entire KCIS family stands behind you as you shine both on and off screen.

## CUJ Research Scholar awarded CSIR Senior Research Fellowship

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JAMMU: The Central University of Jammu is proud to announce that Dhiksha Sharma, a Research Scholar from the Department of Chemistry and Chemical Sciences, has been selected for the prestigious Senior Research Fellowship (Direct) awarded by the Human Resource Development Group (HRDG), Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), Government of India.

Diksha Sharma is currently conducting her research under the supervision of Dr. Tapta Kanchan Roy (Supervisor) and Dr. Sujata Kundan (Co-Supervisor).

Her selection for this highly competitive and esteemed fellowship stands as a testament to her academic excellence, perseverance, and commitment to advancing scientific research.

The Senior Research



Fellowship (SRF-Direct) by CSIR is awarded to meritorious doctoral students who demonstrate outstanding research potential and competence. This achievement highlights not only the scholar's individual capabilities but also the vibrant research environment fostered by the Central University of Jammu.

Prof. Sanjeev Jain, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Jammu extends its heartfelt congratulations to Dhiksha Sharma and her mentors, and wishes her continued success in her academic and research endeavours.

## J&K wins 7 medals in Kickboxing

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JAMMU: The J&K team returned with seven medals won in the WAKO India Senior and Masters National Kickboxing Championship which held at Raipur in Chhattisgarh from July 16 to 21.

The 10-member J&K contingent (male and female) brought laurels to the UT securing three gold and four bronze medals in different weight groups, a handbook issued by the Kickboxing Association of J&K (KAJK) here on Tuesday informed.

The team was accompanied by Sudarshan Singh and Irfan Choudhary as official coaches.

The medal winners: GOLD: Syed Mohammad Aazim, Munish and Meenakshi. BRONZE: Priyanka Thakur, Vidhyuta Sharma, Manik



Winner posing with medals along with coaches.

Singh Manhas and Kanav Dogra.

Meanwhile, the medal winners were received by Abhishek Jain, general secretary of KAJK. He congratulated the athletes for their improved performance and extended good wishes for their

future endeavors.

Vice president of the Association, Gorav Chopra also lauded the team's efforts and assured his continued support in promoting and developing kickboxing as a mainstream sport in J&K.

## Aneesha wins Silver in prize money Shooting tourney

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JAMMU: Aneesha Sharma, a rising star of J&K and a trainee of Mission Olympics Shooting Academy Jammu (MOSAJ) performed exceptionally well to finish second in the Sports For All - National Reward Program which held at the Karni Singh Shooting Range, New Delhi.

As per the reports reaching here, Aneesha competed against the best shooting talent from across India and secured Silver. She scored an impressive 631 in the qualification round to earn a well deserved place among the top eight finalists.

In a high-pressure final, she displayed remarkable poise and precision to claim the Silver medal (2nd Place). For her sec-



Organisers presenting cheque to winner.

ond position, Aneesha presented a cash reward of Rs 30,000 by the organisers in recognition of her dedication and excellence.

In the valedictory function K. Sultan, general secretary of the National Rifle Association of India (NRAI) was the chief guest, who felicitated the position holders. The medal added another feather to Aneesha's

cap and stood as a proud moment for MOSAJ, as well as her dedicated coaches, Vishal Mehra and Aman Singh.

On behalf of the Jammu and Kashmir Rifle Association (JKRA), president, Surinder Singh Sodhi; chairman Kuldeep Jamwal, and general secretary DySP Sharat Chandar Singh congratulated Aneesha for bringing laurels to J&K.