

## JKCA's Sr Men's Multi-Day Tournament

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## STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: After taking an impressive 5-wicket haul in the first innings, Rohit Sharma once again displayed superb fast bowling skills and bamboozled batsmen to capture 4 wickets in the second essay, making it 9 wickets in the match, while Musaif Ajaz and Shubham Pundir showed stellar grit and tenacity to notch up big fifties and the duo of left-arm spinners Abid Mushtaq and Vanshaj

Sharma impressed today in the ongoing Senior Men's Multi-Day Tournament at Country Cricket Stadium Gharota and Jammu University ground, here.

This 'Cricket for Peace' Tournament, is being organised by the Jammu and Kashmir Cricket Association (JKCA).

At Country Cricket Stadium Gharota, JKCA Team A1 scripted an outright victory over JKCA A5 by 9

wickets.

Earlier, resuming from an overnight score of 34/3, JKCA A5 bundled out for 112 runs in 28.2 overs in their second innings, thus setting a victory target of 28 runs for JKCA A1. Skipper Abdul Samad (24) and Sunil Kumar (23) were the main contributors. Speedster Rohit Sharma and left-arm spinner Abid Mushtaq took 4 wickets each.

JKCA A1 chased the target

easily in 7 overs, losing 1 wicket in the process, thus won the match by 9 wickets.

At Jammu University ground, JKCA A2 was declared winner over JKCA A4 by virtue of first innings lead.

Earlier, resuming from an overnight score of 211/6, JKCA A2 added just six more runs to the total to bundle out for 217 runs in their first innings in reply to JKCA A4's total of 141 runs in first

innings. Ashank Singh added just 2 runs to his overnight individual score to make 63 runs, while Govind added 1-run to be dismissed on 50 runs. Sahil Lotra was the pick of the bowlers who took 6 wickets by conceding 75 runs, while Vanshaj Sharma bagged 3 and Aman claimed one.

JKCA A4 scored 253 runs in the second innings to set a target of 170 runs for JKCA A2. Musaif Ajaz top scored with power-packed 86 runs

while skipper Shubham Pundir scored brilliant 79 runs.

For JKCA A2, fast bowler Yudhveer Singh was the pick of the bowlers who took 4 wickets by conceding 40 runs, while skipper Ramdayal claimed 2 wickets.

Chasing a target of 170 runs in 40 overs in the second innings, JKCA A2 were 74/4 in 19 overs when rain stopped play. Samarpit Raina (33) and Abhishant Bakshi unbeaten 25 runs were the main scorers. For JKCA B4, Vanshaj took 3 wickets by conceding 8 runs, while Uzman claimed one.

This was the last event of historic Talent Hunt 2022 followed by a series of tournaments spread over for three long months. The final match of this Sr Men's Multi-Day Tournament is scheduled to be played at SK Stadium Srinagar from August 16 to 18, 2022.

## Junaid qualifies SAI certificate course in Cricket



Junaid Jhangir of Poonch receiving certificate after completing six-week course in Cricket.

## STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Junaid Jhangir of Poonch has become youngest cricketer from Jammu and Kashmir, who has successfully completed his six-week certificate course in Cricket.

Rustum have also qualified the certificate course in cricket from district Poonch.

Junaid Jhangir belongs to sports family. He is nephew of Mohd Tariq FIVB Level 1 qualified volleyball coach from Poonch.

Meanwhile, Mohd Tariq, who is chairman of Shaheed DySP Manjit Singh Memorial Volleyball Club Poonch, congratulated all three certificate holders in cricket.

## Tug of War meet held at Kulgam

## STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: District Kulgam Tug of War Championship held at Nadwa Public School Zangulpora in Kulgam. The event was organised by District Kulgam Tug of War Association under the aegis of J&K Tug of War Association.

The competition held in Sub-Junior, Junior and Senior categories in both boys and girls sections, a handout issued by the Association here today informed.

In boys Sub Junior age group Nowpora Tigers defeated Nadwa Club while the Junior title went to Shining Star Malipora, who beat Nadwa Club in the final.

The Senior men title bagged by District Sports Academy after they beat



Tug of war contest in progress.

## Shining Star.

The girls Sub-Junior title secured by Nadwa Club, who beat Shining Star and the Junior final won by Shining Star beating Nowpora in the final. In the Senior women clash, Nadwa Club defeated District Sports Academy.

Around 250 boys and girls participated in the Championship.

In the finals and closing function, chief guest, Mubarak Sahib and guest of honour, Mushtaq Ahmad, secretary District Anantnag Tug of War association, gave away the prizes.

Interacting with teams, the chief guest encouraged those young participants as also appreciated the organisers for the initiative.

The participants from different zones of district Jammu accompanied by the escort teachers participated in the competition.

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JAMMU: District Administration in collaboration with the Department of Education organized District Level National Anthem Singing Competition under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav here at Teacher Bhawan, Gandhi Nagar, here on Tuesday.

District Development Commissioner, Jammu Avny Lavasa was the Chief Guest, while Satish Kumar Sharma, ADC Jammu was the Guest of Honour on the occasion.

The participants from different zones of district Jammu accompanied by the escort teachers participated in the competition.

The participants enthralled the audience with their melodious rendition of the National Anthem. The audience gave a standing ovation, every time the National Anthem was sung by the participants.

Speaking on the occasion, the Deputy Commissioner said that the National Anthem is the pride of our Nation and congratulated the participants and motivated them to maximize their participation in the cultural programmes at school, zone and at higher levels.

Suraj Singh Rathore, Chief Education Officer, Jammu said that the education department has been organizing a series of activities like singing patriotic songs, Rangoli making, Flag making, Debates and Essay writing Competitions under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav at school level, zone level and at district level.

He further added that the same sequence was adopted for the National Anthem Singing Competition today.

In the competition, Palak Manhas of GGHSS Mubarak Mandi clinched 1st position in the competition, while Muskan Devi of GGHSS Jourian and Mridhul Sharma of St. Francis HSS Akhnoor bagged 2nd and 3rd positions, respectively.

Deputy Commissioner felicitated the winners of the competition, while certificates were also given to all the participants.

Ashok Kumar, Master GHS Mehran Mandrian and Arti Charak of GMS Chak Bana were the jury members.

## Distt-level National Anthem Singing

## Competition concludes at Teachers Bhawan



DC Jammu, Avny Lavasa along with other officers posing with participants.

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## Toddlers' World celebrates birthday of students



Glimpses of birthday celebrations of children at Toddlers' World - a unit of JKPS Kunjwani.

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JAMMU: Celebrating birthdays is as important as celebrating festivals. This day is important in every child's life when they can

share their happiness and feelings with those they love and trust.

On July 30 '22, Toddlers' World celebrated the mass birthdays of babies born in

the months of June and July. The school was decorated with balloons and bunting and the children were fascinated by it.

On birthday children

came in party dress with their parents with joy on their faces. The atmosphere was enthusiastic.

The warm welcome, charming decorations,

beautiful background, delightful birthday songs and well planned games for both the kids and the parents were the highlights of the party.

Apart from all this, the cake cutting ceremony was really amazing. Special gifts were given to the children by the school. They were surprised and really

happy to meet their teachers and friends. The festival was a huge success. The teachers wished the children.

Shivangi Pandotra

(Coordinator of Toddlers World) extended her warm wishes to the children and appreciated the parents for making their special day more special.

## Former South African umpire Rudi Koertzen died in car crash

## AGENCY

CAPE TOWN: Former international umpire Rudi Koertzen was killed in a car crash on Tuesday in South Africa. He was 73.

Koertzen is survived by his wife and four children.

The South African was on his way back home from Cape Town after a weekend of golf when the fatal accident happened. Three others were also killed in the crash early in the morning in Riversdale.

One of the most respected umpires in world cricket from the late 1990s until his retirement in 2010, Koertzen had officiated in nearly 400 international games.

"The world-famous cricket umpire, Rudi Koertzen, and three other people were killed in a head-on collision near Riversdale on Tuesday morning.

The 73-year-old Koertzen from Despatch in Nelson Mandela Bay was on his way back home from Cape Town after a golf weekend," Algoa FM News reported.

In 1997, Koertzen was appointed as a full-time ICC umpire and was one of the first members of the Elite Panel of ICC Umpires. He was the TV umpire in the 2003 and 2007 ICC World Cup finals and officiated in three men's ODI World Cups.

He had his share of controversies too, including continuing with the 2007 ODI World Cup final between Sri Lanka and Australia in near darkness due to a wrong interpretation of rule, which forced the ICC to not give him any assignment during the inaugural World T20, which was held in his own country, in 2007.

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During his tenure, he officiated as on-field and TV

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