

National Sports Day: J&K Sports Council honours sports promoters, journalists

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JAMMU: To mark National Sports Day celebrations, the Jammu wing of Jammu and Kashmir Sports Council on Monday evening honoured the sports promoters including the veterans and journalists for their contributions in the field and boosting the sportspersons time to time here at a function organized at K K Haklu Astro-Turf Stadium.Additional Director General of Police, Jammu Zone, Mukesh Singh along with Divisional Commissioner Jammu, Ramesh Kumar were the special guests.In his welcome address, sports promoter and member, Sports Council, Ranjeet Kalra highlighted the role of Jammu and Kashmir administration headed by Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha, who is also the president of J&K Sports Council.He said, "It is because of LG Manoj Sinha's efforts and vision, the sports sector in the recent years is witnessing a major reformation, which resulted in swelling of medal tally in various disciplines at national and international levels for Jammu and Kashmir."Moreover, he said



Senior journalist and ex-President Press Club Jammu, Manu Srivatsa receiving award from ADGP Jammu Zone, Mukesh Singh on National Sports Day function.

that the visionary Secretary, J&K Sports Council, Nuzhat Gul is converting dreams of many sportspersons into realities, adding, "J&K sports are seeing an era of progress across the Union Territory with major initiatives being undertaken for sports welfare."ADGP Mukesh Singh while congratulating the gathering, remembered the hockey legend Major Dhyan Chand on his birth anniversary and lauded the J&K Sports Council for initiating this event to acknowledge those contributing into the sports field.Divisional Commissioner Jammu, Ramesh Kumar also extended greetings to the organizing body stating that it

is an encouragement to those who are sweating hard to promote sports and working for its welfare and upliftment. However, those honoured in sports promoters category are Anil Gupta, Manzoor Ahmad Bhatt, Vijay Saraf, Sushant Gupta, Payal Jain, Rajesh Gill, Veer Pratap Singh, Dharamveer Singh, Gaurav Mahajan, Mohd Tariq, Sanjeev Singh, Romesh Mahajan (Cricket), H S Gill (Volleyball), Amarjeet Singh (Basketball), Veena Chib (Hockey), Veena Sharma (Cricket), Ram Khajuria (Mountaineering), Madan Khajuria (Skating), Usha Chunnai (Physical

Educationist).Meanwhile in journalists category, Manu Srivatsa (veteran journalist), Shiv Chander Sharma, Sudhir Kumar, Sanjeev Sharma, Vishal Bharti, Amit Verma, Vikas Abrol, Goldie Sharma, Rajesh Dhar, Vivek Suri and Naveen Kaul.Divisional Sports Officer, Jammu, Ashok Singh, member Sports Council, Rajeev Sharma, managers Satish Gupta and S P Singh among others from J&K Sports Council, players and sports enthusiasts graced the occasion.An exhibition girl's hockey match was also played to mark the celebrations and a tribute to the hockey legend Major Dhyan Chand.

Chugh, Raina felicitate young Cricket star Amaan Zari



BJP National General Secretary Tarun Chugh and J&K BJP President Ravinder Raina felicitating young Cricket star Amaan Zari.

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JAMMU: Jammu & Kashmir Bhartiya Janata Party leaders felicitated young cricket star Amaan Zari, who hails from Rajouri district of Jammu region.

BJP National General Secretary & Prabhari J&K Tarun Chugh accompanied by J&K BJP President

Ravinder Raina, General Secretary (Org.) Ashok Koul, Seh-Prabhari J&K BJP Ashish Sood, former Dy. CM Dr. Nirmal Singh and others senior leaders felicitated the budding cricket talent of the region.

Tarun Chugh termed him as an inspiration for border district Rajouri and a motivation for thousands

of talented young cricketers of the area. He said the boy is a budding talented cricketer who will bring name and fame to his parents, mentors and the region.

Ravinder, while felicitating him, asked him to concentrate maximally on his game and said that BJP is always there to facilitate and promote the young talent from Jammu & Kashmir.

District Kathua Volleyball Championship from Oct 14



District Volleyball Association Kathua members during a meeting.

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KATHUA: A meeting of the office-bearers and representatives of various volleyball clubs registered with District Volleyball Association Kathua was held on Monday at Bhagwan Shri Parshuram Dham, Gurha Mundian, Hiranagar, here.

President of the Association, Madan Lal Toofan chaired the meeting.

In the meeting, it was decided to hold District Volleyball Championship

at Govt Middle School Chhapper from October 14 to 16, 2022. Different Committees were formed for smooth conduct of the Championship.

Prominent persons who attended the meeting include Mohinder Sharma General Secretary, Surat Singh Jasrotia Vice-President, Madan Lal Coach, Ram Lal Joint Secretary, Kamal Sharma, Goswami, Hayden, Yash Sharma, Deepak and Kamal Sharma, President of Mela Club.

'Avoid Drugs Play Sports' Taekwondo Championship concludes at Poonch



Budding players posing after winning medals during Closing ceremony of Avoid Drugs Play Sports Taekwondo Championship at Poonch.

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JAMMU: Avoid Drugs and Play Sports Taekwondo Championship organised by Youth Association for Services of Humanity and National in collaboration with J&K Excise Department and Poonch Taekwondo Academy.

The championship was organised under the Direction of Excise Commissioner, Pankaj Sharma and Deputy Excise Commissioner, Kusam

Sharma. Earlier Intaiz Salaria, Chairman YASHAN said that our main motto of organising this championship is to channelize their energy in positive manner: Around 300 Taekwondo players took part in this championship. This Chief Guest of the closing ceremony was Tazeem Akhter Chairperson DDC Poonch while Wajhat Hussain Kazmi Sub Judge and Secretary DLISA, Sunil Sharma

Chairman MC Poonch was the Guests of Honour and Premprakash Luthra Vice President PDTA, Mohd Bashir IC Manager Sports Stadium Poonch, Mohd Taj Mir Senior leader, Mohd Zaman senior Advocate and Pardeep Khanna were the Special Guests. The championship was organised under the technical supervision of Officials of Rajinder Singh Taekwondo Coach, Ashaq Hussain, Hasan, Akarshit

Sudan, Toseef Tahir and Vishvas Sudan. Vanshika Sharma, Zainab Kazmi and Surpreet Kour adjudged as best players of the championship in Junior, Sub junior and Cadet Girls categories While Amakesh kumar adjudged as Best player of the championship in Boys Cadet category. The function was presented Pardeep Khanna.

Earlier the Championship was declared open by Gurdjeet Singh Saraf, State Co-ordinator Minority Morcha. Others present were Mohd Arif Excise Inspector Poonch, Amit Sharma Joint Secretary PDTA, Naresh Chander Municipal Councillor; Ravinder Kumar Bitta President District Refugee Cell and Sunil Kumar Sarpanch Ajote.

JU's Sports Policy in offing: Prof Umesh

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JAMMU: Every year National Sports Day is observed on 29th August to commemorate the birthday of Indian hockey legend Major Dhyan Chand.

Born on 29 August 1905 in present-day Prayagraj, UP, Major Dhyan Chand was the captain of the Gold medal-winning Indian hockey team at the Berlin Olympics in 1936. The Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu celebrated National Sports Day 2022 at the University Campus.

Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu, was the Chief Guest whereas Prof. Naresh Padha, Dean Academic Affairs, Prof. Arvind Jasrotia, Registrar, University of Jammu, Prof. Rajeev Rattan Sharma Director CDC, Prof. Prakash C. Anthal, Dean Student's Welfare, Dr. Dharminder Magotra Joint Registrar, Ranjeet Kalra, Member J&K Sports Council, Rashid Ahmed Choudhary, DySP International Fencer, Manmeet Singh, Gatka Association, Abhishek Jain, Secy. J&K Kick Boxing Association, H.S Chib, Retd.



VC JU, Prof. Umesh Rai posing with other faculty members and players.

Physical Director, Ramesh Magotra, Retd. T.T Coach and Rajan Sharma, Secy. J&K Boxing Association, Dr. Roopali Slathia Physical Director were the Guests of Honour on the occasion.

Prof. Umesh Rai, in his address, enlightened the gathering with the message that "We celebrate National Sports Day to embrace sportsmanship and brotherhood that comes with sports. National sports day is celebrated graciously all over the world to honor national sports teams for their outstanding performance for the respective countries.

It is pertinent to embrace sports traditions as it encourages sportsmanship among people and keeps the hardships that they bring to the country in the form of achievements.

Sports day is all about motivating and encouraging sportsmen with their efforts that they put forward and commendable teamwork."

the Vice-Chancellor congratulated the entire staff of the Directorate and also said that the university will organize various Sports Events of National level in the future for the promotion of Sports in J&K. He also ensured the Directorate for infrastructure development including synthetic Kho-Kho ground, Synthetic Basketball Court, Shooting Range and Multipurpose Hall for all indoor games.

He strongly laid emphasis on the University Sports Policy will be implemented soon in order to attract the real talent of JKUT. He further appreciated the efforts of the

Directorate for conducting such events throughout the year.

Earlier, Dr. Daud Iqbal Baba, Director Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, JU presented formal welcome address and share that National Sports Day does not represent only a day to embrace Sports, to know its importance.

Impressive demonstrations of Yoga,Gatka, Fencing, andKick-Boxing were performed during the function. At last, the award ceremony was held in which the prominent personalities of J&K in Sports, players along with Coaches & Managers who won medals for the University in All India Inter University / National/ International competitions for the session 2021-22 were felicitated.

DYSS celebrates National Sports Day with enthusiasm



Shridhar Patil (IPS), AIG Tech, interacting with players during National Sports Day celebrations in Jammu.

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JAMMU: The Department of Youth Services and Sports on Monday organised various competitions in the disciplines of Hockey, Football, Volleyball and Kabaddi at KK Hakhu Stadium Jammu and Khel Goan Nagrota to celebrate National Sports Day with enthusiasm and fervour.

Shridhar Patil (IPS), AIG Tech, was the Chief Guest on the occasion, while Jitender Mishra (JKAS) Deputy Director Youth Services and Sports was

the guest of honour.

The competitions were held under the patronage of Director Youth Services and Sports J&K, Sh Subash Chibber, under the overall supervision of Sh Sukh Dev Sharma, DYSSO Jammu.

ZPEO, Dansal . Veena Tickoo provided Football, Kabbadi and Volleyball teams for the competition and also invited APS Nagrota and Sainik School Nagrota teams for friendly competitions on the occasion.

SIKS GHSS Boys celebrates National Sports Day

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UDHAMPUR: National Sports Day was celebrated with great pomp and show in Shaheed Inspector Kamal Singh Government Model Higher Secondary School (SIKS) Boys Udhampur.

A grand function was organized in the school premises wherein Deputy Inspector General (Police) Mohammad Suleman Choudhary was the Chief Guest, while Dr. Jogeshwar Gupta President, Municipal Council Udhampur and Dr. Vinod Kumar SSP Udhampur were the Guests of Honour.

ASP, Anwar -Ul-Haq, CEO, Arvin Koul, DYSSO, Swarn Singh, besides PRI members including Surinder Singh Khalsa Vice President MC, Anil Arora Councilor; Mannat Choudhary international player, Kuldeep Magotra CEO VAJK, R.C Sharma International coach, Dr. Brij Baloria International coach were also present on the occasion.

On his arrival, the Chief Guest was presented the Guard of Honour by the NCC Cadets of the host school. He



DIG Mohammad Suleman Choudhary honouring Volleyball icon Mannat Choudhary.

unfurled the National Tricolour.

Sports competitions in Tug of war, Kabbadi etc were organized which were highly praised by the spectators. The players took part in the competitions with great spirit of sportsmanship and won or lost the matches by a narrow margin of points.

The Chief Guest appreciated the teachers and the students for celebrating the National sports Day in a befitting manner. He exhorted the students to play one or the other game to keep them physically and mentally fit. He said that drug menace was a big challenge to be dealt with, and interest in

games and sports is the best way to check this menace.

On this occasion, the winners were awarded by the Chief Guest and other dignitaries.

Mementos were also presented to the guests. Mannat Choudhary, the international player of Volleyball from Jammu, was given a memento, tracksuit and a cash amount of Rs. 5100.

Pawan Kumar acting Principal of the school presented vote of thanks, while Amit Sharma PET conducted the proceedings of the programme. All the teachers and the students of the school remained present.

Sumit, Shilpa scale Mount Yunam

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JAMMU: Sumit Khajuria and Shilpa Charak of Mountaineering Association of J&K (MAJK) gave a real tribute to hockey legend Major Dhyan Chand by unfurling the National Flag on Mount Yunam (6111m) on the National Sports Day.

Starting from the Advance base camp (5200m) at 2 am in the morning, both Sumit and Shilpa reached the summit at 9.30 am after a gruelling climb of seven and a half hours. Their happiness knew no bounds when they unfurled the National



Sumit Khajuria (with National Flag) and Shilpa Charak (with an Ice Axe) on the top of Mount Yunam (20050 ft).

Tricolour on the top of the peak along with two other climbers from Himachal Pradesh. Complete details are awaited.

Mount Yunam is located in the rugged region of Lahaul Spiti area of Himachal Pradesh near the famous Baralacha La

pass on the Manali- Leh road. The expedition was sponsored by J&K Sports Council.

Meanwhile, members of the MAJK led by its president Zorawar Singh Jamwal, senior vice president, Ram Khajuria; secretary, Shavetia Khajuria, senior members Khurshid Ahmad, Jameel Mustafa, Rakesh Goswami and Navneet Gupta have congratulated Sumit and Shilpa for grand success of the expedition. They also expressed gratitude to the Sports Council for the sponsorship of the expedition.