

# Khelo India Water Sports Festival: Mohsin Ali, Sajad & Muhammad Hussain bring laurels for J&K

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
SRINAGAR: Mohsin Ali, Sajad Hussain and Muhammad Hussain all hailing from humble backgrounds around Dal Lake have brought laurels for Jammu and Kashmir UT at the national stage in the Khelo India Water Sports Festival (KIWSF), 2025.

Mohsin won the gold in K-1 1000 metre men's kayaking, Sajad silver in C-2 500 metre Canoe Slalom, and Hussain silver in C-2 Canoe 500 metres men and bronze in C-1 Canoe 1000 metres men.

The three medals enabled hosts J&K finish seventh among 28 states and Union Territories that took part in the Games.

The families of all three water sports athletes struggle to make ends meet, yet they encouraged their children to participate in water sports events, and one of the reasons for this is their confidence in SAI.



Medal winners posing with officials.

The SAI centre, set up at Nehru Park inside Dal Lake, is playing a major role in turning around the careers of these water sports athletes.

Mohsin, Sajad and Hussain have all been training at the SAI's Nehru Park Centre and honing their skills under the guidance of SAI's water sports coaches. Sajad said

after training at the centre," he said.

Hailing from the Mir Bahri area in the interiors of the Dal Lake, Sajad said that being a Shikarawallah's son, it was difficult to venture into endurance sports like canoeing, as it requires a proper diet, besides hard work and proper training.

Muhammad Hussain, said that he had faced numerous hardships on the way to his success and was thankful to SAI, which had set up the SAI centre at Nehru Park, which was instrumental in his success.

"We aren't well off financially, and if we were to train on our own, it would not be possible for us to excel," he said. "It was the training that we got at SAI Jammu centre at Nehru Park that made a difference."

Hussain said that training at the centre and participating in sports also keeps youth

# Danish wins Bronze in Elite Cup

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Danish Manzoor from Baramulla won Bronze medal in the 13th Elite Cup International Taekwondo Championship which held in Amman, Jordan.

The event was organised by the Jordan National Taekwondo Federation, attracting top athletes and Olympic contenders from across the Middle East.

Before entering the tournament, Danish attended a coaching camp under the guidance of Coach Ayman Alhusami, one of the national coaches of the Jordan Olympic team. His dedication and rigorous preparation culminated in his first international medal for India.

Danish expressed his gratitude to the mentors and supporters saying, "This medal is the result of the guidance of coach, Master Atul Pangotra and support of J&K Taekwondo Association (JKTA)."

The HELP Foundation sponsored Danish for both his training camp and the championship, making this achievement possible.

This victory marks a historic moment for Baramulla and Jammu and Kashmir, showing



causing the region's sporting potential on the global stage.

Meanwhile, president of the JKTA congratulated Danish for bringing laurels to India and J&K. The Secretary of the J&K Sports Council, Nuzhat Gul also hailed Danish.

# KC Gurukul Public School shines at Inter-Zonal Competitions

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: KC Gurukul Public School announced the remarkable achievements of its students who have once again brought glory to the institution through their stellar performances in the Inter-Zonal Competitions. Their dedication, perseverance, and sportsmanship have set a shining example for their peers and the school community.

Our young intellectuals made us immensely proud at the Inter-Zonal chess Competition.

Saksham Sharma of class XII stood 1st in boys' category and Arya Talwar of Class IX stood 1st in Girls category. Both students showcased exceptional skills and strate-



School faculty felicitating winner students.

gic brilliance, emerging as Winners in their respective categories.

Their victory has earned them the prestigious opportunity to represent at the Inter-State Level, marking a significant milestone in their journey of excellence.

The sporting spirit of KC Gurukul Public School shone brightly on the football field as well. In the U-19 Boys Football category, the Jammu team secured a thrilling victory with remarkable contributions from our talented players.

Nishay (Class XI) Main Squad Player, Aman (Class X) Main Squad Player and Aryan Bhat (Class XI) - Extra Player, lending strong support to the team.

Their teamwork, discipline, and determination played a pivotal role in the team's success and brought immense pride to the school. The winners have qualified at the District level and further advanced to the state level.

The school management wholeheartedly congratulated these young achievers for their commendable performance. Their achievements not only bring honor to KC Gurukul Public School but also inspire their fellow students to strive for excellence in academics, sports and extracurricular pursuits.

# KCIS concludes Youth Tech Fest 2025 with inspiration

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: KC International School successfully hosted the second edition of the prestigious KC International Young Technological Fest (KIYTF'25), a two-day celebration of innovation, creativity, and the transformative power of technology.

The fest was ceremoniously inaugurated on 22nd August by Chief Guest Dr. Jatinder Manhas, JKAS, Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science & IT, and Associate Director, Skill Innovation Incubation Entrepreneurship Development Centre, University of Jammu, in the esteemed presence of Chaitanya Chowdhary, President, KCIS, and Principal Anupama Sinha.

The opening ceremony commenced with the traditional lighting of the ceremonial lamp, followed by a soulful welcome song. Vice Principal Ms. Roma Gupta set the tone with her inspiring address on the role of technology in shaping future



Winner students posing for a photograph with faculty members.

leaders, while Dr. Manhas, in his keynote speech, applauded the brilliance of the young participants and urged them to harness technology responsibly for sustainable and impactful solutions.

Over two dynamic days, the fest showcased the creativity, problem-solving skills, and leadership of students through a series of competitions and events that highlighted the boundless possibilities of technology in reimagining the future.

The closing ceremony on 23rd August was graced by the Chief Guest Prof. Vibhakar Mansotra, Professor and Head, Department of Computer

Science & IT, University of Jammu, who, in his address, inspired students to view technology not merely as a tool, but as a catalyst for meaningful transformation.

The highlight of the day was the Overall Winner Trophy ceremony. Hermann Gmeiner School was declared Second Runner-Up, while GD Goenka School secured the First Runner-Up position. In a remarkable gesture reflecting the spirit of Atithi Devo Bhavah, the Overall Winner Trophy was conferred upon Jodhamal Public School, even though KC International School topped the leaderboard with victories in 13 categories.

Dignitaries were felicitated with mementos for their contributions. Delivering the Vote of Thanks, Principal Anupama Sinha lauded the collaborative spirit of the fest and expressed immense pride in the students' innovation, creativity, and teamwork.

The event concluded with the National Anthem, leaving the gathering imbued with a deep sense of pride and unity.

KCIYTF'25 stood as a powerful testament to KC International School's unwavering commitment to nurturing curiosity, creativity, and leadership in the ever-evolving world of technology.

# J&K Karate team wins 4 medals



Medal winner J&K team posing with officials.

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Karate team returned with four medals won in the 33rd National Karate Championship which

held at Chattisgarh. Participated under the banner of Amateur Karate Association of Jammu and Kashmir, the team won Silver and three Bronze medals in different weight categories.

While Mohammad Zaid bagged Silver, other three Bronze medals came through Moeen Shafkat, Murtaza

Sultan and Rudhr Dewan.

"This achievement is a testament to the hard work, dedication, and perseverance of our team members, coaches, and management. We are grateful to our chief instructor, Shihan Sanjeev Dewan, who is 6th degree black belt, for his guidance and mentorship," a handout issued by the Association here today mentioned.

The championship witnessed participation from all over the country a part of the annual activity of the All India Karate Federation (AIKF).

# Rajan elected joint secretary of BFI

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: General secretary of the J&K Amateur Boxing Association, Rajan Sharma has been elected as joint secretary of the Boxing Federation of India (BFI) during the AGM that took place at Gurugram.

Rajan, former Divisional Sports Officer of the J&K Sports Council and qualified boxing coach and international technical official, was the unanimous choice of the members of the BFI. A widely travelled sports official, Rajan Sharma was part of the Indian contingent in the London Olympics and Asian Games at Jakarta as also Paris Olympics. Rajan attributes his success to unconditional love for the game of boxing and commitment to work for the development of the game in J&K.

"It was president of the BFI, Ajay Singh who wanted me to be part of the Federation team. A number of new faces have been included in the BFI management by Mr Singh, who himself has been elected as president for the third consecutive term.

# Gandhi Nagar boys win U-19 Football final

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Gandhi Nagar zone won the inter-Zone district level under-19 girls Football title in the annual event, which was organised by the Department of Youth Services and Sports (DYSS) at Khelo Gaon, here on Saturday.

In the final, Gandhi Nagar defeated Zone Satwari 2-1 via tie-breaker. Shine and Manteesha scored for winning team while Ridhima netted the ball for Satwari.

Semifinals: Zone Gandhi Nagar beat Zone Jammu 1-0. Zone Satwari beat Zone Miran Sahib 3-0.

Similarly, in girls under-19 Volleyball, Zone Jourian outplayed Zone Jammu 2-0. Semifinals: Zone Jammu bt Zone Gandhi Nagar 2-0; Zone Jourian beat Zone Satwari 2-0.

**CHESS:** The competition in Chess was still incomplete in under-17 and under-19 age categories. The Results: Under-17: Avni of Zone Jammu beat Aditi of Zone Bishnah; Sirat of Zone Jammu beat Sonam of Zone Miran Sahib; Shireen of Zone Gandhi Nagar beat Mehreen of Zone Bhalwal; Mishthi of Zone Bhalwal beat Tejasuini of Zone Jammu. Under-19: Arya of Zone Jammu beat Swastika of Zone Akhnoor; Sugandhi of Zone Bhalwal Zone beat Vanshika of Zone Jammu; Harshita of Zone Bhalwal beat Somuya of Zone Gandhi Nagar.

# Jammu District tops 7th State Grappling Championship 2025

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
SAMBA: The 7th State Grappling Championship 2025, organized by the Grappling Association of Jammu and Kashmir, concluded successfully at Indore Sports Stadium, Samba, with enthusiastic participation from across the Union Territory.

A total of 270 players competed in both GI Grappling and No-GI categories.

Jammu District emerged as the overall champion, securing the 1st position, followed by Kathua in 2nd place and Samba in 3rd.

The event was graced by Chief Guest Verinder Singh Chib, who encouraged the young athletes and appreciated the efforts of the association for promoting grappling sports in the region.

The championship was managed under the leadership of Association members including Chanveer Singh (President), Akshat Gupta (Vice President), Guljinder Singh (General Secretary), Hariveer Singh, Bhanu Partap, Rajeshwa Singh, Sant Kumar (Joint Secretary), Rajat Sharma, Nishant, Sameer, and other members.

# Udhampur, Jammu girls win Handball titles



Participating teams posing with officials.

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
UDHAMPUR: Girls from host district Udhampur in under-14 and Jammu in under-17 emerged winners of the inter-district Divisional level Handball competitions, organised by the Department of Youth Services and Sports (DYSS) at Mini Stadium, here today.

Part of the annual calendar of activities, four teams in each group contested for

the top honours in this event. While in under-14 final, Udhampur trounced district Jammu 1-0 in a low scoring game. Similarly, in under-17 category, Jammu made it a 8-4 win against Udhampur.

The winners and runners-up teams presented the title trophies and merit certificates by district (DYSS) officer, Romesh Chander Mishra amidst encouragement and good wishes to the athletes for the upcoming UT level competitions. Also present were Zonal Physical Education Officer (ZPEO), Pushpinder Kour (Tikri) and Vijay Kumar (Pancheri).

The district officer told the participating teams to work hard in both sports and academics so as to create a balance for the overall development in life.

# Raman achieves hole-in-one at JTGC

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: The Jammu Tawi Golf Course (JTGC) celebrated the milestone achieved by member Golfer, Raman Pargotra, who scored a rare Hole-in-One during his play at the Course, here.

This outstanding feat was accomplished on Par-3, Hole No. 2, where Pargotra drove the ball straight into the cup - an unforgettable moment of skill, precision, and com-

posure, a handout issued by the JTGC mentioned.

For golfers everywhere, a Hole-in-One is a lifelong dream and among the rarest accomplishments in the sport. And, Pargotra has etched his name in the proud legacy of the Jammu Tawi Golf Course with this exceptional achievement.

Congratulating Raman Pargotra, Manav Gupta, Secretary, Jammu Tawi Golf Course, said, "We are

delighted to see one of our members achieve this rare milestone. A Hole-in-One reflects not only skill but also focus, determination, and belief. Pargotra's feat will inspire many golfers at our course to pursue excellence in the game."

Further, the management and members of the JTGC extend their warmest congratulations to Raman Pargotra and wish him many more memorable rounds ahead.

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**SHORT TERM NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER**  
**E-NIT NO GWD/65 OF 2025-26 DATED 22.08.2025**

On behalf of the Lt. Governor, UT of J&K, the Executive Engineer Jal Shakti Mech. Ground Water Drilling Division Jammu invites tenders by e-tendering mode from reputed and registered firms with Jal Shakti PHE/I&FC Dept. J&K Govt. who have sufficient experience in the field of drilling and are well equipped with drilling Rigs suitable for ODEX method of drilling.

Name of the Work	Name of the Division	Cost of Tender Document/Tender Fee (In Rs)	Qty.	Estimated cost (value of work) (in Rs.)	Earnest Money (In Rs)	Validity of Rates
Deep Drilling of 125 mm dia Bore Holes by using ODEX method including providing, installation, testing, commissioning of Mark-II Hand Pumps and construction of platforms at (18 Nos) different locations in District Jammu on Turnkey Basis (EPC) under UT Capex Budget 2025-26 (Tribal Plan)	Jal Shakti Mech. Ground Water Drilling Division Jammu	1000.00 (Non-Refundable) Deposited in Govt. treasury through e-challan under the receipt head 0215 in favour of the Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti Mech. GWD Div. Jammu payable at Jammu mentioning name of work	18 Nos	Rs. 72.00 lacs	@ 2% of the estimated value in shape of Fresh CDR/FDR pledged to Executive Engineer PHE (M) GWD Division	31 <sup>st</sup> March 2026

- The complete bidding process shall be online.
- Bid documents can be seen and downloaded from the website <http://jktenders.gov.in> from 22.08.2025 to 04.09.2025.
- The pre bid meeting if desired by the participating firms shall be held in the office of the Executive Engineer Jal Shakti (M) GWD Division Jammu on 23.08.2025 (1300 hrs).
- The bids shall be submitted/uploaded from the website <http://jktenders.gov.in> from 25.08.2025 (1400 hrs) to 04.09.2025 (1800 hrs).

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Dated:- 23/08/2025

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Executive Engineer  
Jal Shakti Mech. G.W.D. Division  
Jammu