

Three-day South Kashmir Volleyball Championship begins



VAJK office bearers presenting memento to the Chief Guest, Nuzhat Gul, Secretary Jammu and Kashmir Sports Council and participating teams posing with officials at Shopian.

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SHOPIAN: Three-day South Kashmir Volleyball Championship being organised by Volleyball Association of Jammu and Kashmir in collaboration with J&K Sports Council commenced at Sports Stadium, here on Saturday.

In the opening ceremony, Secretary Jammu and Kashmir Sports Council, Nuzhat Gul was the Chief Guest and International cricketer Parviat Rasool was the Guest of Honour.

Other prominent persons present were Gurpreet Singh District Youth Services and Sports Officer Shopian, Kuldeep Magotra Chief

Executive Officer Volleyball Association of Jammu and Kashmir, R.C Sharma Treasurer Volleyball Association of Jammu and Kashmir, Abdul Ahad Shah Secretary Anantanag, Mohd Tariq Joint Secretary Volleyball Association of Jammu and Kashmir, Nelofer Habib Secretary

Kulgum, Mudasir Ahmed Secretary Pulwama, Gulam Rasool Incharge Sports Stadium Shopian and Malik Shabir Organising Secretary. A total of 12 teams including four girls teams of south Kashmir are participating in the three-day tournament in which a total of 22 matches to be played.

Kuldeep Magotra, while talking to media, said this tournament is aimed to deviate the attention of youth towards sports especially volleyball and to eradicate the growing trend of drug menace in the society.

"Our goal is to introduce the game in every nook and corner of Kashmir valley and

for this purpose we are going to organise such events all over the UT especially in the Valley," he said.

Today's matches were officiated by Mulakh Raj, Anil Kumar, Sidarat Hussain, Waseem Akram, Abdul Hamid, Intazar Ali, Shafqat Hussain, Shabir Ahmed and Ajaz Ahmed.

Selection Chess meet for seniors begins



Chess selection competition in progress in Jammu on Saturday.

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JAMMU: Under the banner of All Jammu and Kashmir Chess Association (AJKCA) the selection events in senior

open category started today at Hotel Nek, here. The events is being organised by Jammu District Chess Association. Ten

selected players from this event shall be eligible for J&K UT Chess Championship to be held at Srinagar next month. About 90 players shall compete in different age groups in this four-day event, a handout issued by the Association here today informed.

Meanwhile, the age category and women events shall take place at the same venue on September 12.

Earlier, Atul Kumar Gupta, president AJKCA along with senior vice president, Baldev Raj declared open the event.

Inter-school selection-cum-trials of Zone Bishnah held



Participating players posing for a photograph with dignitaries.

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BISHNAH: The Department of Youth Services & Sports Jammu on Saturday conducted Inter-school Zonal level selection-cum-trials in the discipline of Wrestling (Only Boys), kabaddi, yoga of all age group for boys & girls at

Anant Vidya Kender Kanhal and GHS Chak Murar. The events were held under the chairmanship of District Youth Services & Sports Officer Jammu Sukhdev Raj Sharma and over all supervision of Surbjeet Kour, Zonal Physical Education Officer

Bishnah. The chief guest present on the occasion was Harbans Lal Dogra, Principal Anant Vidya Kender Kanhal and Gurneet Kour, GHS Chak Murar. All the field staff of zone Bishnah were present during the trials.

RHS students shine in various events

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Students Rich Harvest School, Bari Brahmana, brought laurels to school by winning medals in various events.



Abhijay Singh Charak, Aneesha Sharma, Sirjaneet Kour

Abhijay Singh Charak, a young coursecating kaleidoscope, brought laurels to RHS by bagging the second prize in 'Duel of Doubt', an inter-school debate competition, organized by Jodhamal Public School, under the banner of Sahodaya School Complex. It saw participation of over twenty schools from Jammu province and Abhijay won second prize in the national level MUN on UN Human Rights Council, through his representation of Indian portfolio in the same. Anisha Sharma, a student of class XI, has established her identity as a young shooter at various events and has earned a place for the forthcoming 'Khelo India Contest', in the category of '10 Meter Air Rifle Shooting for Women'. Sirjaneet Kaur, a young bud of class V, received the third prize, in an inter-school debate that included participants from twenty-five CBSE schools.

Prominent coaches join J&K Kudo Association Kudo vital tool to discipline and guide youth in facing tough times: SDPO Nijon



SDPO Prosecution Pooja Nijon and others officials.

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JAMMU: Kudo Association of District Jammu affiliated with J&K Kudo Association recognised by Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports Govt of India and SGFI on Saturday organised a programme in Jammu where many Coaches and Karatekas from different styles of Martial arts join Kudo under the presence of Chairman Jammu Province Puneet Arora, District President Gulshan Rattan, Joint Secretary Himanshu Heer. On this occasion,

Vishal Manyal joined as Vice President Jammu Province along with other Coaches Aman Verma, Manjeet Kumar, Rohit Kumar, Amandeep, Rubby, Shivani Charak. SDPO Prosecution Pooja Nijon was Chief Guest on the occasion. Appreciating the organizer of Kudo in J&K, Pooja Nijon said that One of the purposes of martial arts is to train the mind and body to become strong and utilize that strength for the improvement of our community. Also it is a useful method of cultivating the youth who will

contribute to the society through the tough times and events in their life, she said. SDPO further said that nowadays, physical education for the youth in the world has become the need of hour. Kudo is, we can dare to say, a vital "tool" to discipline them and a guide even in ourselves. Speaking on the occasion, Arora said that Kudo is a mixed Budo sport comprising full contact punches, kicks, throwing, and submission techniques on the ground. Kudo has its origins in Kakuto Karate (Combat Karate), but It is not just a mixed fighting with emphasis on competition side.

It is a life-long sport, system for youth education, method of self-defence and health maintenance for adults. Along with this elements it stresses the "Reigi" or respect and etiquette in its tradition. In this sense it is a "Modern Budo" that has already spread in more than 60 countries around the world.

ASSOCHAM organises session on 'New Central Sector Scheme for Industrial Development of J&K'



ASSOCHAM team members posing for a photograph with Anoo Malhotra, Director Industries Jammu, Smita Sethi, MD SIDCO, SICOP and R R Joshi, Chairman ACTL.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: J&K Council of The Associated Chamber of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM) today organized a session on New Central Sector Scheme for Industrial Development of Jammu and Kashmir.

Anoo Malhotra, Director Industries Jammu and Smita Sethi, MD SIDCO, SICOP and R R Joshi, Chairman ACTL were special Guest during the function.

The session was started with welcome address by the Manik Batra, Chairman ASSOCHAM J&K Council after which R R Joshi, Chairman ACTL briefed the gathering about his upcoming Inland Container Depot at Samba.

During her address, Anoo Malhotra said, "We are real-

ly expecting decent investment and are ensuring that both new and existing units should get benefits of different incentives which are provided by both the central sector scheme and new policy of UT of J&K."

"I request the investors to come forward and avail the benefits of Private Industrial estate development policy 2021-30," she added.

She also addressed the queries of the industrialists attending the event.

"ASSOCHAM is India's oldest and apex trade body of the country. We have been engaging with the central and state Govt at various levels regarding policy matters and post covid relief measures. Today we had hosted a discussion on the new central sector scheme

with Ms Anoo Malhotra and Ms Smita Sethi, we also invited Mr R R Joshi, Chairman, ACTL pvt ltd who is setting up the pvt freight terminal at ICD Samba. Overall it was a very fruitful discussion," said Manik Batra, Chairman ASSOCHAM J&K Council. Mementoes were presented to special guests during the event.

The session concluded with formal vote of Thanks by Dr. M A Alim, Co-Chairman, ASSOCHAM J&K Council.

"It was a much needed session on the new central sector scheme. Anoo Mam was kind enough to answer all the queries raised by the members. ASSOCHAM will continue to organize such events in future," Dr. M A Alim said.

Online Inter school competitions of Zone Gandhi Nagar conclude

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Bharti Foundation in association with Zonal Education Officer (ZEO), Gandhi Nagar organized a valedictory ceremony for the series of Online Inter school competitions held during the session 2020-21.

Various online competitions like calligraphy, quiz competition, best out of waste, Rangoli, TLM, Diya Making etc. were held during the session in which 410 students and 102 teachers from 41 schools of Zone Gandhi Nagar participated.

All the winners of the compe-



Officials presenting memento to a dignitary.

titions were being felicitated by ZEO Gandhi Nagar and Bharti Foundation.

Veena Tikoo, ZEO Gandhi

Nagar congratulated all the winners and participating schools for their achievements.

She also applauded the efforts

Rohit Verma meets Anurag Thakur



Joint Secretary IBBFF, Rohit Verma along with Union Minister Anurag Singh.

Sham Langar welcomes LG's invitation to global investors

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Sham Lal Langar, Convener Bharatiya Janata Party Trade and Industries Cell, Jammu and Kashmir while welcoming Lt Governor Manoj Sinha for inviting global investors to J&K has reiterated the commitment of BJP Government at the Centre towards the overall development of Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory. In a statement issued to media here today, Sham Lal Langar while endorsing the statement of Lt Governor Manoj Sinha given the other day. "The industrial holiday of the Union Territory is over and we are open for business," said that the Rs. 28,400 cr Industrial Development Scheme is beyond any doubt going to prove to be a game changer in facilitating the industrial growth in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir. He said that the concern of the Union Govt as well as the Union Territory

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Administration is amply evident from the Lt Governor's invitation to the global investors to come to Jammu and Kashmir and partner in its rapid economic growth. Lauding the LG's determination to reverse the trend of the past seven decades by boosting the targets for economic growth and employment, the BJP leader appealed to the concerned stakeholders to adopt an attitude that would augment the trust and confidence of the global business conglomerate. He said that even responsibility lies on the shoulders of local stakeholders of trade, commerce and industry to come forward with zeal and enthusiasm to build the industrial base for the economy and strengthen the social stability of this sensitive region that witnessed turmoil for decades due to terrorism and mismanagement by successive regimes in the erstwhile State of Jammu and Kashmir.

Vikram qualifies Ph.D

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Vikram Bishnoi, son of Ram Singh and Savitri Devi, resident of Village and Post office Muklawa, Sriganganagar, Rajasthan has been declared qualified for the award of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) in Agricultural Entomology by Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agriculture Science & Technology of Jammu (SKUAST-J).



He worked on the topic "Diversity of insect pollinators and their impact on apple (malusdomestica Borkh) production with special reference to apiscerana F" Under the supervision of Prof. D.P Abrol, former Dean Faculty of Agriculture SKUAST-Jammu.

National Lok Adalat held in UTs of J&K, Ladakh

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: J&K Legal Services Authority and Ladakh Legal Services Authority, under the stewardship of Justice Pankaj Mithal, Chief Justice, High Court of J&K & Patron-in-Chief J&K & Ladakh Legal Services Authorities and under the guidance of Justice Ali Mohammad Magrey, Executive Chairman J&K Legal Services Authority and Justice Dhiraj Singh Thakur, Executive Chairman, Ladakh Legal Services Authority on Saturday organized National Lok Adalat throughout the U.Ts of J&K and Ladakh.

In order to have maximum response and settlements between the parties in cases like MACT, matrimonial, cheque bounce cases under NI Act, Money recovery cases, etc., it was advised to organize pre-Lok Adalat sittings or pre-counselling sessions (either video or tele-conferencing or physical with social distancing) well before the date of National

Lok Adalat so that parties may get one or more chances for entering into negotiation/dialogue with the opposite parties. Apart this, webinars were organized to sensitize the officers of Legal Services Authorities/Committees, Panel Lawyers and PLVs about the importance of Lok Adalat as a mode for Alternate Dispute Resolution.

Justice Ali Mohammad Magrey, Executive Chairman, J&K Legal Services Authority inaugurated the National Lok Adalat at Budgam. Thereafter, Executive Chairman accompanied by Justice Vinod Chatterji Koul visited Pulwama and Anantanag to have first hand information about the proceedings going on in the benches constituted for the purpose. In Jammu wing of the High Court, the National Lok Adalat was inaugurated by Justice Tashi Rabstan,

Chairman High Court Legal Services Committee. As per the information received from the districts, out of a total number of 103905 cases taken up by 137 Benches in the day long National Lok Adalat at various courts across the UT of J&K, 79176 Cases were disposed of and an amount of Rs. 1,08,49,68,507/- was awarded as compensation/settlement amount in civil, criminal, labour disputes, Electricity and Water Bills cases, Land Acquisition, Family matters, cheque dishonour and Bank Recovery cases. Like wise in Ladakh a total of 553 Cases were taken up by 9 benches and 392 cases were disposed of and an amount of Rs. 2,61,08,552/- was awarded as compensation/settlement amount in civil, criminal, labour disputes, Electricity and Water Bills cases, Land Acquisition, Family matters, cheque dishonour and Bank Recovery cases.

As per the directions of Justice Ali Mohammad Magrey, the main focus in this National Lok Adalat was on the cases of people from inaccessible areas.

Before the Lok Adalat, the Executive Chairman had few video conferences with all Chairmen and Secretaries of DLSAs and emphasized to identify and settle the cases of this vulnerable section of the society. Out of 79176 cases settled in National Lok Adalat 6507 cases from the inaccessible areas were also settled.

M. K. Sharma, Member Secretary, J&K and Ladakh Legal Services Authorities thanked all the participants including the Judicial Officers, Secretaries, DLSAs, Advocates, representatives of insurance companies & banks, staff of the courts & Legal Services Institutions & litigants for their pragmatic approach in settlement of cases in such a large number.

120 students participated in Netball selection trial

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Two days selection trial for upcoming 26th Sub Junior National Netball championship going to be held at Delhi from September 18 to 26, 2021 was conducted at Dushera Ground, Gandhi Nagar, here under the supervision of Saktish, Manager deputed as an Observer by Jammu and Kashmir Sports Council, Jammu.

In the said trials, nearly 120 students participated from different schools. Till the departure of the team the camp will be continued at the same venue.

Handwara Police organises mini marathon



Participants at a starting point.

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HANDWARA: In connection with celebration of Azadi Ka Amrit Mohatsav a mini marathon was organized by Handwara Police today in which Police personnel, Students of various Schools and Local Youth of Handwara area participated. The mini marathon was categorized into three age groups viz below 18, 19 and 25-40 years.

The marathon was started from GDC Handwara passing through Chotipora, Kohru and culminated at

Main Market Langate. The event was organized to celebrate the completion of 75 years of India's freedom by giving boost to the sports activities channelising youth energy in positive manner and to re-affirm the inherent strength of our nation to withstand any threat to the unity and sovereignty. On the conclusion of the event Handwara Police congratulated the winner and runner up and distributed the prizes among the 1st, 2nd and 3rd on all the age groups respectively.