

# J&K Men Volleyball Championship begins at Srinagar



Chief Guest, Secretary JKSC, Nuzhat Gul posing with teams and other dignitaries while inaugural match of volleyball championship in progress.

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SRINAGAR: The three-day 33rd J&K UT Senior Men Volleyball Championship being organised by District Srinagar Association under the banner of Volleyball Association of J&K (VAJK), commenced at Indoor Hall Polo Ground, here.

The event was declared open by the Chief Guest, Secretary J&K Sports Council (JKSC), Nuzhat Gul. She lauded the role of Association for taking the game of volleyball to remote and far off areas of J&K. Teams playing in the opening match also interacted with the Secretary JKSC.

A total of over 300 play-

The Chief Guest urged upon the people especially sportsmen to come forward in patronizing recognized/professional sports Associations.

She expressed thanks to the officials of the Association for advocating strongly against social evils and successful conduct of South Kashmir Volleyball Championship for boys and girls in which total 12 teams participated.

In total, 18 teams drawn across J&K, including the departmental side of J&K Armed Police, are taking part in this competition.

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ers/officials are participating in the event and act as ambassadors in their respective districts to spread the message of drug-de-addiction & other social evils.

Earlier, General Secretary of VAK, V K Magotra welcomed the Chief Guest amidst presentation of detailed not of the activities.

CEO VAJK Kuldeep Magotra and Organizing Secretary of the

Championship, Amir Bhai presented memento to the

Chief Guest and Guest of Honour, Divisional Sports Officer (c) Nusrat Gazala.

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Tarzan Retd Director of Physical Education Kashmir University, Munneer Aalam, Jayad Bhat, Meer Momin, Soheyal Koul besides Abdul Ahad Shah Vice-President, R.C. Sharma Treasurer, Mohd Tariq Joint Secretary, executive members of Volleyball Association of J&K, Secretaries of District Volleyball Associations and large number of sport lovers.

Today's matches were officiated by Neeraj Sharma, Muluk Raj, Amit Kumar, Khalid Hussain, Siderat Hussain, Abdul Hamid, Intizar Ali, Manzoor Khan, Waseem Akram, Anil Kumar, Shafqat, Mohd Alyas and

Shabir Ahmed.

The Results: Preliminary Round: Baramulla bt Anantnag 2-1 (16-25, 25-23, 15-12); Kathua bt Pulwama 2-1 (25-21, 22-25, 16-14); Pooh bt Ramban 2-0 (25-22, 25-20); Jammu bt Budgam 2-0 (25-11, 25-16); Kulgam bt Udhampur 2-1 (25-20, 19-25, 15-09); Samba bt Rajouri 2-0 (25-18, 25-22); Ganderbal bt Srinagar 2-0 (25-19, 25-22); Kathua bt Kupwara 2-0 (25-19, 25-22); Shopian bt Srinagar 2-0 (31-29, 25-18); JKP bt Budgam 2-0 (25-11, 25-11); Jammu bt Bandipora 2-0 (25-16, 26-24); Pulwama bt Udhampur 2-1 (25-20, 14-25, 15-13).

## Cycling trials on Sept 26

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JAMMU: Cycling Association of Jammu and Kashmir is conducting a selection trial of Cycling team to be sent for participation in Mountain Terrain Bike (MTB) Cycling competition under Senior, Junior & Sub-Junior categories being held in Maharashtra from October 29 to 31, 2021. The trial shall be conducted on September 26, 2021 at Baba Julla Mini Stadium, Near Public Health Clinic, Gole Gujral, Tila Tillo, here and Nehru Park at Srinagar. All eligible cyclists falling under these categories and possessing valid riders license may participate in this selection trial at 9:00 AM on the aforesaid date at the respective venues for which the riders may contact S.S. Gill (General Secretary) 9419108337, Ravi Salgotra (Treasurer) 9419229044 and Parkash Sharma (Associate Secretary) 9419100980.

The Lt Governor, who is also Chairman of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Board, while congratulating the Para Archers observed that the Shrine Board's support extended towards sports is being appreciated and it is a matter of pride that players nurtured at SMVD Sports Complex are putting Jammu & Kashmir on the world map.

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# GMC Kathua conducts FIT India Freedom Run 2.0



Students of GMC Kathua during FIT India Freedom Run.

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KATHUA: Government Medical College (GMC) Kathua on Saturday conducted FIT India Freedom Run 2.0 as a part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.

Principal GMC Kathua Dr. Anjali Nadir Bhat was the Chief Guest who flagged off the run. Around 110 MBBS

students participated and covered 4 kms.

Students were provided T shirts and refreshment by Administration. Dr Surinder Atri along with members of Sports committee were also present to cheer the students. Administrative staff of GMC Kathua arranged all the logistics.

## Handball trials from Sep 20

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JAMMU: The of J&K Handball Association has decided to conduct selection trials for National Sub Junior team for the upcoming 37th Sub Junior Team Boys National Championship which is scheduled to be held at Akshara International School, Hyderabad, Telangana from October 7 to 11, 2021.

The two days selection trial shall be conducted at STC Ground Playing Field Shastri Nagar, here from September 20 to 21 at 3:00 PM. Player born on after January 1, 2005 is eligible.

All the players from the affiliated units of J&K UT can report at above mentioned venue.

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# LG honours Tokyo Paralympics participants



Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha felicitating Paralympics participants.

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JAMMU: Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha on Saturday honoured the Paralympics participants Rakesh Kumar and Jyoti Balyan here. The two Para Archers of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Board's Sports Complex, Katra for the last 4 years. Both these archers have been trained under the guidance of Coach Kuldeep Wedwan at the Sports complex.

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the World Championship held in the Netherlands and won silver medal under Fazza Cup World Ranking Tournament held at Dubai in February 2021. She is the only woman archer from the country who participated in Tokyo Paralympics.

Shrine Board's Sports Complex has been producing spokespersons of national and international standards in various sporting disciplines viz., Archery, Athletics, Judo, Shooting, Badminton etc, who have been showing promising results in varied competitions. SMVDSB Archery Academy is accredited under Khelo India by Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India.

Rakesh Kumar, Chief Executive Officer, SMVDSB was present on the occasion.

## Fit India Movement

# DC Ramban flags off Patnitop Hill Marathons in piece meals, excited participants vouch for more



DC Ramban, Mussarat Islam, Director Tourism, Jammu, Vivekananda, SSP Ramban, PD Nitya flagging off marathon.

21.1Km, 30 Km, 10Km and 5 Km categories.

Almost all the senior officers on the occasion participated in the run to promote the theme of Fit India.

Inspired by the Prime Minister, Narendra Modi's 'Fit India Movement', Kapil Arora, Brand Ambassador of Fit India Movement hailing from Jammu (settled in Mumbai) and Sanjog Katoch of Doda organized the

marathons in collaboration with District Administration, Ramban, J&K Tourism Department and Patnitop Development Authority (PDA), besides various sponsors from leading business houses.

The DC Ramban, Mussarat Islam said that marathon is a cue from Prime Minister, Narendra Modi's 'Fit India Movement' and is a precursor to the World Tourism Day on

September 27 which will be celebrated across the UT.

He highlighted the need for holding such promotional events to bring to fore the huge tourism potential of Patnitop health resort and adjoining health spots like Sanasar, Natha Top and Batote, which shall provide fillip to the economy of the area.

While chairing the concluding session, Director Tourism

said the marathon was of a national standard in which many professionals, amateurs and members of various Runner Clubs including men and women and fitness freaks from children to elderly groups participated with enthusiasm.

He asserted that it was organized to boost tourism in the area and encourage people to keep themselves fit.

He assured that many similar sports and cultural events will be organized in future to attract more and more tourists with the help of district administrations of Ramban and Udhampur.

All the participants, dignitaries and media persons also enjoyed a ride on the Cable Car at Padora.

Lastly, the top three winners - Men and Women of the Marathon in all categories were given away mementos and gifts by the sponsors.

# DPS Udhampur organises webinar on 'Reforms in MCQs'

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UDHAMPUR: Delhi Public School (DPS) Udhampur has organized a webinar on 'Reforms in MCQs' wherein more than 32 schools across Jammu region took part.

The webinar was conducted to throw light on changed pattern of the Central Board of Secondary Education's (CBSE) new assessment and evaluation practices for the academic session 2021-22.

Renowned Resource Person Arindam Roy Choudhary, Principal GD Goenka, Jammu conducted the webinar which was attended by Dignitaries, worthy Principals and around 250 facilitators of J&K. Aspects like cognitive domain of Bloom's Taxonomy, Assertion and reason type questions was brought into light to keep question paper in balance to offer variety for slow bloomers and for bright one's too. Importance of thinking time and writing time was also brought to light to enlighten ed leaders for upcoming exams.

Pro Vice Chairman of the host School, Dr. J.C. Gupta and Managing Director of the School, Vivek Gupta threw light on importance of such webinars for the growth of students and appreciated virtuous Principal, Dr. Kunal Anand for organizing such a utilitarian workshop.

Former Minister, Ch. Sukhnandan Kumar posing with winner team and others.

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JAMMU: Josh Cricket Club Bantabat defeated Makhalyen Cricket Club in the final by five wickets and won the trophy of Sohan Memorial Cricket Tournament played at village Laddoor in Falora, Nagbani panchayat, here on Saturday.

Earlier after winning the toss, Makhalyen Cricket Club decided to bat first and made 45 runs in 10 overs.

The target was easily chased by the Josh Cricket Club and won the match by five wickets.

It is pertinent to mention here that total 16 cricket teams of different cricket clubs took part in tourna-

## Twenty five Technoarts to conduct Poetry and Painting Competitions on Maharaja Hari Singh's birthday

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JAMMU: Twenty five Technoarts, an IT company of Jammu started in 2014, is organising poetry and painting competitions on Maharaja Hari Singh's birthday. Subhash Sharma, MD TwentyfiveTechnoarts, while briefing about the programme, said that three cash prizes worth Rs 3100, Rs 2100 and Rs 1100 shall be distributed in both the categories. "The theme of the competition is Maharaja Hari Singh and sketches and poetry has to be based on the monarch," he said adding that there is neither any entry free nor age limit. "Poetry has to be original and in Hindi/Dogri while the sketch has to be handmade and minimum of A4 size sheet," he said adding that the last date of entry is September 21. Participants can send their poetry at 25technoart@gmail.com and handover their sketch at TwentyfiveTechnoarts Office, Panama Chowk, Jammu, he said adding that for more query they can contact on 7889768894.

## Josh Club Bantabat wins Sohan Memorial Cricket Tournament



Secretary Tourism, Sarmad Hafeez presenting trophy to a winner.

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SRINAGAR: Secretary Tourism and Culture, Sarmad Hafeez on Saturday said that J&K is fast coming up as a 'golfing capital' of the country. These remarks were made by him as a chief guest on the concluding ceremony of the 4-day J&K Open 2021 golf tournament that began here on 15th of this month. Sarmad said that golf courses of J&K are among best in the country. He claimed that these courses have been upgraded substantially and can even host international tournaments in future. He maintained that the game has tremendous future here and UT is getting recognition as best golfing destination for its facilities extended for the game. The Secretary further urged all the participants of the tournament to come here very often to play in the beautiful environs and climate of J&K. He assured them of all the assistance and best of facilities available world over for the game. He also invited PGTI (Professional

Golf Tour of India) to make J&K permanent destination in their calendar for organizing professional tournaments round the year. The Secretary also distributed prizes among the winners of this Rs 40 lakhs award-winning event. The PGTI event was won by Delhi based six-time PGTI winner Honey Baisoya. Skyrrocketed

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