

# JKIANS shine in district & zonal-level Basketball competitions



JK Public School faculty members felicitating winner teams of District Level Basketball Competitions on Saturday.

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JAMMU: JK Public School Kunjwani made a remarkable victory in the District Level Basketball Competitions held at Jammu University from August 30 to September 1, 2022.

In the U-14 category, Girls Team JKPS Kunjwani won the Trophy after a neck to neck fight with Heritage School. The winners are Eshal Nisar Khan (Captain), Avrid Shrikul, Sangam Rajput, Anayaa, Sachleen Kour, Almass, Aliza, Zoha, Amaira Gupta, Amanpreet Kour and Shree Nanda.

In the U-17 category, Girls team JKPS Kunjwani bagged Runners Up Trophy. The team was comprised of Ashna Charak, Shagun Bhagat, Plaksha Gupta, Shagun Rajput, Tayleen Kour, Nupur Vhoudhary, Angel Sharma, Ananya Sharma, Iqra, Arshdeep Kour, Malvika Panjgotra, Arshia Javed and Tanvee.

In the Inter-Zone District level competition held from 25 to 26 Aug 2022, the boys team (U-14) bagged Runners Up Trophy. The team included Zakariya Rabbani, Vaibhav Choudhary, Achintya, Saksham Gupta, Jai Singh, Vigneshwar, Shub Kamran, Ariz Razaa Divya Pratap, Ketan Bhagat, Karamjyot Singh and Kamaljot Singh. Director of the School, Shashi Chaudhary and the Principal Rajesh Rathore felicitated the winners in the School assembly.

They applauded the School Coach Manoj Kumar and HOD Sports, Subash Chander for train-

ing the students. Principal said, "The hard work and diligence of the students & their coach worked wonders on the teams, as they fought till the very end. Kudos to our champions".

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JAMMU: Former international player from Jammu, Arun Malhotra has been included in the six-member Technical Committee by the core group of the All India Football Federation (AIFF) on Saturday.

The high level decision making technical committee is led by IM Vijayan as chairman and included five members, Eugeneson Lyngdoh, Climax Lawrence, Harjinder Singh, Arun Malhotra and Pinki Bompal as members.

Meanwhile, international coach from J&K, Sajid Yusuf congratulated Arun for the achievement. Member J&K Sports Council, Ranjit Kalra and Everest from J&K, Ram Singh Slatthia and member trustee of Arun Sharma Sports and Social Welfare Trust, Ashutosh Sharma congratulated Arun.

"I had never expected in my



life such an honour by the AIFF. It was a news for me. My former teammate at Mahinder Club Mumbai, Kalyan Chaubey has got the vision to turnaround the Indian Football. Now, he has the backing of majority of states and the support from the Government too. I'm sure things would be different in couple of years," said Arun while expressing his feelings to Sportsline.

All the executive committee members, including vice-president NA Harris, treasurer Ajay Kipa and the six eminent footballers co-opted in the panel, except Bhaichung Bhutia, were present in the meeting.

Welcoming the members, the Chaubey said, "This is the first time that six former eminent players are part of the committee as per the order of the Honourable Supreme Court. We need to work together, and at no time should any personal ego come as a roadblock on our endeavour to take Indian football forward together. Discipline is the key to success, and we need to be accountable as per the deadlines set."

He proposed Prabhakaran's name as the new secretary-general of the AIFF, which was unanimously approved by all the members. IANS was the first to report on Friday that Prabhakaran was tipped to become the secretary-general.

"Dr. Shaji's previous experience as FIFA Regional Development Officer will bring in new and fresh ideas which will provide the much-needed fillip to Indian Football," said Chaubey.

The Committee, as per the AIFF president's proposal, also unanimously appointed Sunando Dhar as the new deputy secretary-general of the AIFF.

Meanwhile, former India captain Shabbir Ali was unanimously named chairman of the Advisory Committee.

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such an opportunity to interact with those senior players.

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## Jammu's Arun nominated as AIFF Technical Committee member

## Ex-Technical Advisor Indian Hockey visits Poonch



Retired SAI Coach, Shanker Basu posing with Hockey players and officials at Poonch.

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POONCH: Retired Sports Authority of India (SAI) coach and former Technical Advisor to Indian Hockey teams (men and women), Shanker Basu in Saturday visited Sports Stadium, here.

The veteran hockey coach interacted with the young hockey trainees of Poonch and congratulated each one of them for being lucky on getting the world class playing facility, in the shape of an Astro turf, at their door steps.

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## Inter-zone Cricket U-17 Boys meet begins at Udhampur



Participating teams posing for a photograph with dignitaries at Udhampur.

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UDHAMPUR: Organised by the Department of Youth Services and Sports (DYSS), annual inter-zone district level under-17 boys Cricket tournament got underway at Subhash Stadium, here on Saturday.

The event was declared open by district (DYSS) officer, Swaran Singh, who interacted with the teams and their officials. Three

teams from as many zones are participating in this event.

Others who were present included Anita Goswami, Som Dev Khajuria, Romesh Chander, Sanjeev Kumar, Jatin Sethi, Vikas Sharma, Sudesh Kumar, Bhoopinder Singh, Angrej Singh, Vipin Photra, Ghaneem Akhter, Sanjeev Khajuria, Karun Magotra and Bal Singh (Medical Assistant).

The major attraction of the day-long festival was a Horse Polo match which was

played between two teams of local youth. Elders in the area said that it was after around six decades that they have seen a Polo match being played in Gurez again. They appreciated the initiative of the Tourism Department and District Administration for organising and reviving the age-old tradition of Horse Polo in Gurez.

Another special feature of the festival was holding many adventure and water sports activities like Rafting, kayaking, cycling, mountain Biking, trekking besides a



A Horse Polo match in progress at Gurez.

spectacular show of All Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) for the first time in Gurez.

Performances by artists from JK Academy of Art, Culture and Languages in many dying and shrinking dialects like Sheena, Dardi, Pahari besides other local languages was an eye-catcher for the locals and tourists equally.

Speaking on the occasion, Director Tourism, Dr. G. N. Ito said that the Tourism Department has been promoting Gurez through a sustained and coordinated mechanism for the last two years which yielded results recently in the destination being awarded as the best

offbeat tourist spot in the country by a national publication. He hailed the support and coordination by the District administration and local population in making this happen. He urged the youth to participate with full potential in promotion of tourism and local culture of Gurez.

Dr. Ito said possibilities would be explored to make Gurez an all weather

Tourist destination. He stressed on maintaining the age-old tradition of cleanliness and sanitation of Gurez along with development of tourism related activities.

Addressing the gathering,

the Deputy Commissioner along with Director Tourism flagged-off groups of students for various adventure activities like kayaking, rafting, and trekking.

The District administration on the occasion had put up a number of stalls from Departments like Animal and Sheep Husbandry, Handloom, Sericulture, Handicrafts, Tourism, ICDS, NLRM, KVK Gurez besides locals showcasing traditional and heritage items used in Gurez.

The stakeholders were felicitated by the organizers at the end of the festival.

The festival was attended by DDC members Gurez and Tulail, BDC members, Commander 109 Brigade Dawar, Pranav Kumar; SSP Mohammad Zahid; ADC Bandipora, Waseem Raja; senior officers of District administration and Tourism Department and other concerned officers.

Local people in thousands and tourists visited the stalls and evinced keen interest in the products on display.

## Sacred Heart College organises lecture on National Education Policy 2020

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JAMMU: Sacred Heart College of Education, Paloura, Jammu on Saturday organized a lecture on 'Implementation of National Education Policy 2020' under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.

The guest lecturer was delivered by Prof. Sarika Sharma, Dean, School of Education, Head Department Teacher Education, Director IQAC, and former Registrar, Central University of Haryana.

She is also Nodal Officer of the project Azadi Ka

## DIPR organises cultural programme at MC Khalsa High School

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JAMMU: Cultural Wing of Department of Information & Public Relations on Saturday organized a cultural programme here in MC Khalsa High School.

The School Principal S. Gurvinder Singh was the Chief Guest.

Artists of the Cultural Wing and students of the school presented a variety cultural show featuring Dogri, Hindi and Punjabi patriotic songs

which were highly appreciated by the audience.



DIPR artists performing during cultural programme.

## Special sports initiative 'My Youth My Pride' attracting best & brightest talents

## J&K athletes shine in North-Zone Athletics Championship held in Haryana

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SRINAGAR: The Sports Council's premiere sports initiative 'My Youth My Pride' is attracting the best and brightest talents besides ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to develop strong skill-set.

Under the programme, the Kashmir division remained abuzz with cricket activities with several cricket tournaments being played. Cricket matches were played at Sheri-Kashmir Stadium Bandipora, Patti Cricket Field, and Gani Memorial Stadium Rajouri Kadal in downtown Srinagar.

Moreover, the 4-day Ice Stock Championship underway in Gindun Sports Complex Rajbagh entered its third day with competitions in the categories of team games for women, men, girls, and boys played today. While Srinagar and Kupwara districts dominated the day, Bandipora, Baramulla, Pahwana, Poonch, Rajouri and were also added to their vault. The event was thrown open by Secretary Sports Council, Nuzhat Gul a few days ago.

Sheikh Riyaz Ahmad, Administrative Officer J&K Sports Council said that more sporting events under the sports initiative My Youth My Pride are in pipeline across the union territory of J&K.

Pertinently during Phase-I of the 'My Youth My Pride' more than 8.5 Lakh youth from across the UT participated, while 13.74 Lakh youth shall be part of the program in Phase-II.

In the meantime, two J&K athletes Abhijeet Singh and Ritik Sharma today brought laurels to the union territory with their performance in the National Northzone Athletics Championship currently underway in Karnal, Haryana. Abhijeet clinched gold in the 100-meter event while Ritik bagged a couple with silver in 5000 meters and a bronze in 1500 meters category.

## Cyber Awareness Camp held at MV International School

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SAMBALI: To aware the students and staff about the current scenario in relation to cybercrimes and to sensitise them about judicious use of internet and social media, a Cyber Awareness Camp was organised at MV International School in collaboration with NGO Channel 22 and 91.1 Top FM radio.

Mohd Yaseen Kiehloo, SSP Security, Civil Secretariat, J&K was the Chief Guest of the event. He shared valuable information about cyber security, latest threats, public percep-

tions, cyber terminology and future challenges that we all might face while using internet and social media.

He added that cyber criminals are way ahead of our thoughts and we all need to be alert and aware; refrain from freebies to avoid bugs and cyber threats was his message to all.

RJ Vandita and RJ Aryan from 91.1 Top FM hosted the event and raised the momentum for the students to share their experiences and ask their questions to the guest speaker. Gourav Abrol thanked the guests for sparing their time to sensitise the students and staff about the core issue that we all might be facing in our day-to-day online activities.



Resource person posing with students and faculty members of MVIS.