

Rana lauds youth for evincing interest in sports



Senior BJP leader Devender Singh Rana posing with winner players and others.

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JAMMU: Senior BJP leader Devender Singh Rana on Sunday lauded youth for evincing keen interest in sports of international repute alongside traditional games, saying this will keep them in good stead in various national and international events. Speaking at the closing ceremony of the Fourth J&K UT Kudo Championship, played at Bhagwati Nagar Sports Complex, Rana hoped that budding sportspersons will make their mark in this sport, not only locally but also at the national level. Rana, who was the chief guest on the occasion, said Jammu and Kashmir has no dearth of talent but there is need to identify and sharpen their sporting skills by experienced coaches. Grooming and shaping the tal-

ent of sports persons is an investment to brighten the future of enterprising youth and channelize their energies in positive pursuits. The just concluded championship will serve as a source of inspiration for the young athletes to try their best with Kudo that has a bright future in the sports arena. He complimented the organizers and urged them to expand the scope of the game to other areas of the Union Territory on a larger scale.

Describing sports as imperative for physical and mental growth, Rana exhorted the youth to formulate their schedule in such a manner that sporting activities do not hamper the academics as both are equally important for career management. He observed that sports have opened up vis-

tas of opportunities in career progression, saying those excelling in their chosen field will find sky the limit. He advised youth to aim high and pursue their objective with sincerity of purpose. In all, 250 sports persons participated in the event.

While Dr. Parneesh Mahajan and Kulbir Handa SP City were the Guests of Honour, Pooja Nijhoni CPO was the Special Guest at the event.

Besides, Chairman Kudo Association Jammu and Kashmir Puneet Arora, President Gulshan Rattan and General Secretary Rajinder Gupta, Joint Secretary Jitender Sarag and Technical Director Rakesh Chander Sharma were present at the ceremony and gave an overview of the championship.

Teachers' Day celebrated at JK Public School Kunjwani

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JAMMU: Teachers' Day was celebrated with great fervour and exuberance at JK Public School Kunjwani. The programme commenced with the lighting of the lamp and garlanding of the portrait and offering floral tribute to the great educationist & former President of India Dr. Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan.

Director JK Education Society Shashi Choudhary, Principal Rajesh Rathore, Vice Principal Shashi Rattan, AVP Roopinder Kour and School coordinators entailed by a short assembly including thought, news, speech on the 'Role of Teachers' in shaping the society.

The Director Shashi Choudhary and the Principal Rajesh Rathore gave away certificates to the winners of District/Zone Level Basketball Championship and congratulated the teams for their stupendous performances.

The cultural programme was presented by students of classes XI and XII for their mentors with the idea that students cannot thank their teachers enough in their lives for grooming them. There were scintillating dance per-



Glimpses of Teachers' Day celebration at JK Public School Kunjwani.

formances, Rap, standup comedy which enthralled the audience. 'Guess the Teacher' game was the cherry on the cake.

In his address, the Principal Rajesh Rathore appreciated the students for organizing the programme well. He rec-

ognized phenomenal contribution of teachers in our society. He also quoted Swami Vivekananda "An inspiring Teacher's influence goes till eternity". He encouraged students to work hard to come out with flying colours in board exams. He also

expressed his heartfelt gratitude to teachers for grooming of the students and called them worthy ambassadors of the Institution.

Director JK Education Society, Shashi Choudhary incited students to respect teachers from the core of

their heart. She also laid emphasis on the importance of discipline and moral values in school life.

The programme was devised, organized as well as anchored exclusively by students. The programme ended with National Anthem.

Sumit, Shilpa felicitated by Tawi Trekkers



MAJK members felicitating Sumit Khajuria and Shilpa Charak, who recently scaled Yunam Peak (20050ft) in Lahaul area of Himachal Pradesh.

Sourav Deep Singh and Suhail Mushtaq returned to their respective places after this expedition. The expedition was sponsored by J&K Sports Council.

Neelam Khajuria, member J&K Service Selection Board was the chief guest, who along with the presiding guest former Legislator, Ashwani Sharma, and

on her maiden expedition after completing her Advance Mountaineering Course in 2018. The expedition was sponsored by J&K Sports Council.

Also present were Parveen Sharma, Chairman, The Citizen's Co-operative Bank Ltd; Zorawar Singh Janwal, Chairman, Team Jammu; Ram Khajuria, president and Shawetica Khajuria, general Secretary

patron of the Club, Rahul Sharma honoured Sumit Khajuria and Shilpa Charak.

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of Tawi Trekkers.

Prominent among others present included Arti Sharma, Director Apple Kids International Pre School, Batalab, Jammu; Prof. Suman Lata, Director Physical Education, Govt College for Women, Parade; Vivek Chauhan, Principal Oriental Academy; Advocate Vikas Suri, Sushil Singh, Rakesh Goswami and Navneet Gupta of Mountaineering Association of J&K and Narinder Singh Slathia, Vishali Sharma,

Binderpal Singh and Sunil Chakharia, senior members of Tawi Trekkers besides Shivani Charak, an international sport climber and her father Jamit Singh Charak; Vaibhav Sharma and Diksha.

Ashish Kohli's debut 'Saraab' gathers accolades; awarded in Jammu International Film Fest



Journalist Ashish Kohli receiving award at Jammu International Film Fest.

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JAMMU: Saraab - A film that hits radicalization hard to its core gained propelled momentum among the jam packed audience at Jammu Club as hundreds of people rose to extend standing ovation as it grabbed the prestigious Jammu International Film Award.

Dogra Journalist Ashish Kohli who played the lead role of Khalid, brainwashed youth by terror mentors from across the border, and later joining the Armed forces, saluting Jai Hind was the cynosure of all eyes on the occasion.

Crowd cheered at his histrionics on silver screen followed by media hype generated on the occasion as his fan followers shored bouquets and praises upon him

The film has been written and produced by Vikram Sharma, a senior journalist and a filmmaker, and directed by Aaditya Bhanu while Ray Sharma of Dhanraj Studios edited and added all VFX effects.

The other cast include Bindia Chandan, Mannat, Sham Verma, Kamal Kishen Ganjoo and Arun Sharma.

"It becomes the prime duty of all citizens to put their part in various fields of development. Saraab is one step from us in this process," said Vikram Sharma.

Aditya Bhanu, director said that such movies will inspire the youngsters to try their luck in film industry, which is getting a big boost in Jammu and Kashmir after the roll out of the Film Policy.

Bike expedition brings out best of Poonch



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