

# Jammu dominates in Senior Judo meet



Participating judo players posing for a photograph with dignitaries and officials.

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JAMMU: Judokas from district Jammu dominated in the day-long Senior Judo Championship which was organised by Judo Association of J&K (JAJK) at Indoor Complex, MA Stadium, here.

In most of the weight categories, Jammu judokas excelled with gold medals. District Srinagar was close in the medal tally. Earlier, Judokas from 12 different districts participated in various weight categories.

The competition was declared open by senior vice president of JAJK, Vikas Gupta in the presence of guests of honour, Rohit Gupta, Suraj Sharma and Shiv Kumar. Deepak Sharma was special guest.

The bouts officiated by the technical panel led by Suraj Bhan Singh, Arshi Nad, Vikas Dogra, Jugal Kishore and Ritika Slathia.

Prominent among others present were Ranjodh Singh, RS Jamwal and Tahir Ahmed.

The Results: MEN: 60 Kg: Ashutosh Khajuria (Jammu), 1st; Shivam Sharma (Rajouri), 2nd and Suhail (Kupwara), Harsh Dev (JKP), 3rd. 66 Kg: Mehshood (Srinagar), 1st; Akshay Sharma (Jammu), 2nd; Gulshan Kumar (JKP) and Bhawani Partap (Reasi), 3rd. 73 Kg: Moid Nisar (Srinagar), 1st; Sushank Baru (Jammu), 2nd; Vishwas Jamwal (Reasi) and Vipul Kathua, joint 3rd. 81 Kg: Varun Sharma (Jammu), 1st;

Farhat Gulzar (JKP), 2nd; Tarun Sharma (Kathua) and Tajamoul Nazir (Budgam), 3rd. 90 Kg: Danish Sharma (Jammu), 1st; Hadi (Srinagar), 2nd; Rajat Singh (Rajouri) and Mohd Yaseen (JKP), joint 3rd. 100 Kg: Ujjwal Sharma (Jammu), 1st; Vishwa Partap (Reasi), 2nd; Gulzar (JKP) and Basit (Srinagar), joint 3rd. Plus 100 Kg: Hamid Megray (Srinagar), 1st; Rakesh Singh (JKP), 2nd; Ansh Singh (Jammu) and Kapil

Singh (Reasi), joint 3rd. 48 Kg: Vanshika Manhas (Jammu), 1st; Huzaima Hanif (Bandipora), 2nd; Ravina (Kathua), 2nd; Sadiya Makbool (Srinagar), joint 3rd.

WOMEN: 52 Kg: Khushi Thakur (Jammu), 1st; Jimmo Devi (Kathua), 2nd; Ranju Sharma (Udhampur) and Syed Azam (Srinagar), joint 3rd. 57 kg: Yashika Jamwal (Jammu), 1st; Mehwish Latif (Srinagar), 2nd; Riya Sharma (Udhampur), 3rd. 63 Kg: Niralini Sharma (Jammu), 1st; Hidayat Shahid (Srinagar), 2nd; Sneha Sharma (Reasi) and Rekha Devi (Udhampur), joint 3rd. 70 Kg: Shahtalla (Srinagar), 1st; Arohi (Jammu), 2nd; Akriti (Rajouri) and Shivani (Udhampur), joint 3rd. 78 Kg: Kabra Altaf (Srinagar), 1st; Anshika Sharma (Jammu), 2nd. Plus 78 Kg: Tanvi Thakur (Rajouri), 1st; Nirjala (Jammu), 2nd and Anmol Devi (Kathua), 3rd.

# Inter-Dist, Div Level U-14 Girls Volleyball Tournament concludes

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

DODA: The Inter-District Divisional Level Volleyball Tournament for U 14 girls organised by the Department of Youth Services and Sports at the Sport Stadium Doda concluded on Thursday with the Rajouri team winning the final contest by defeating Poonch Team. The event was managed by District Youth Services and Sports officer, Jaffer Haider Sheikh and his team.



Winner team receiving trophy from the chief guest.

Approximately 100 girl student players showcased their skills and endurance in the said event. The participants exhibited remarkable determination and a competitive spirit throughout the event. This event provided a platform for young players to demonstrate their skills, fostered a sense of healthy competition, and promoted physical fitness amongst girl students. The districts that participated in the Inter District Divisional

level volleyball tournament for girls were districts of Jammu, Doda, Rajouri, Reasi, Poonch, Kathua, Udhampur and Samba.

To adjudge the third place, a match between Reasi and Udhampur was played in which Udhampur beat Reasi in two straight games and won the 3rd place. To judge the winner of the event in the finals, Rajouri beat Poonch and lifted the trophy. District Information Officer Doda Mohammed Ashraf Wani graced the occasion as Chief

Guest and handed over the trophies and certificates to the participating and winning teams.

In the concluding address, he congratulated all the participating girls, fraternity of the Youth Services and Sports department, coaches, and managers of the teams. All sports events and activities are crucial for the inclusive development of children and are aimed to promote physical fitness, health, teamwork, and healthy competition among them, he added.

# Shiksha Niketan School organises rabies awareness programme



**STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Shiksha Niketan Higher Secondary School, Jeevan Nagar- organised a Rabies Awareness Programme on the occasion of Hindi Diwas on Thursday.

The programme was conducted by Dr. Smruti Smita Mohapatra, Rabies Ambassador in order to

define Rabies, its various causes and how it is affecting the society and particularly the students. She described various ways which are useful in order to prevent and cure the Rabies.

On the occasion of Hindi Diwas, various speeches and writing competition were organised. Principal, Rameshwar Mengi appreciated the efforts of Vigyan Setu Organisation and their Chief Spokesperson Dr. Smruti Smita Mohapatra.

He advised the students to follow the instructions to remain fit and healthy. He also describe the importance of Hindi in the School and in the Country and advise the Students to use Hindi as the medium of conversation.

arouse awareness among the students about the harmful diseases called Rabies.

The awareness talk was attended by hundreds of students and teachers of the school.

The theme of the programme was "All for One, One Health for all". Dr. Mohapatra effectively

# MV International School celebrates Hindi Diwas

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SAMBA: MV International School, in association with Viraj Kala Kendra, Jammu celebrated Hindi Diwas with great fervour and enthusiasm.

The event showcased a range of creative competitions including self-made poetry, slogan writing competition and one-act plays, all centered around the themes of 'Advancing towards Progress' and 'One World -One Family'.

One-act play competition also focused on paying tribute to the freedom fighters. Distinguished guests who graced the occasion included Dr. Chanchal Dogra, Ex-Principal of Govt. MAM College Jammu; Prof. Kiran Bakshi, Story Writer and Ex-Principal of Govt.



MVIS management, faculty posing with other dignitaries and winner students.

Women College Parade Jammu; Rajneesh Kumar Gupta, Playwright, Story Writer and Income Tax Officer Jammu; Tarun Charak, Stage Artist, along with Chairman of the school Hira Lal Abrol and Principal, Kundan Lal Dogra.

The students from classes

8th & 9th exhibited their emotions, creativity, and originality through self-made poems that resonated with the themes.

In the one-act play competition, students delivered outstanding stage presentations that were deeply rooted in the theme that was characterised with

finesse.

The slogan writing competition witnessed impressive creations, where students beautifully illustrated slogans in line with the themes. The winners of the competition were: First Prizes were won by Aarav Chandel (9C) in Poetry; Rithika Bhagat (9C) in

One-Act Play & Anjali Sharma (9A) in Slogan Writing.

The trophies for the second prizes were lifted by Rushil Gupta (9C) in Poetry; Akshit Slathia (9A) in One-Act Play & Mehak Attri (9B) in Slogan Writing; whereas the third prizes were clinched by Abhishek Sharma (9C) in Poetry; Samriti Gupta (9C) in One-Act Play & Tahira Choudhary (8B) in Slogan Writing Competition.

The event not only celebrated rich heritage of the Hindi language but also showcased incredible talents and creativity of the students at MV International School. It was a day filled with artistic expressions and a sense of unity through language.

# Swimming championship held at Srinagar

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir Swimming Association organised Swimming Championship on the Banks of Dal Lake in the memory of former General Secretary late V.K. Sawhney. Over 150 swimming experts participated in the championship which was inaugurated by the Rajni Kumari Sawhney, the General Secretary of the Swimming Association in the presence of Ajay Sawhney brother of Late V.K Sawhney, SHO Harwan, Mudasir Ahmad, social activist Jasm Muzaffar, Saif Ali and the young swimming player Zaid Ul



Police officer posing with organizers at Srinagar.

Hassan. Mudasir Ahmad appreciated the players participating in the compe-

tion and stressed them to spare some time for sports activities as well as in

addition to their studies which keeps them fit in all aspects. He also appealed them to desist from drugs and other bad habits.

In boys section, Javaid Ahmad, Sahil Shafi and Iniyat Nabi got first, second and third position in under-17 age and Junaid Shafi, Sahil Abass Kanoo, Zahid Hussain secured first, second and third position in under-14 age respectively. In under-12 age, Waseem Abass got first, Sadiq Ali got second and Ibrahim Imtiyaz secured third position.

Meanwhile in girls section, Nabeela Khan got first, Muntha second and Zulikha Anjum secured third position.

# J&KASTA to conduct trials for Junior Soft Tennis tourney on Sept 22

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

SRINAGAR: The J&K Amateur Soft Tennis Association would conduct open trials for selection of J&K teams (Boys and Girls) for participation in the upcoming 18th Junior National Soft Tennis Championship at Gindun Stadium, Rajbagh, Srinagar on September 22, 2023. The tournament has been scheduled to be held at Tennis complex, IGMC stadium, Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh from 15th to 19th of October, 2023. In this regard, J&KASTA on Thursday urged upon all its affiliated district units to ensure their participation in the selection trials. The players must be born in or after 2005.

# Ashree of Heritage School secures first position in Inter School Hindi Story Telling Competition

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Ashree Jandial, a talented student from Class 5 E of Heritage School Jammu, secured first position in the Inter School Hindi Story Telling Competition hosted by the Jammu Sahodaya School Complex at MV International School on September 8, 2023.

During the Special Assembly on Hindi Divas on Thursday, Ashree was honoured by Vice Principal Rashmi Singh.

Her outstanding success has filled the Heritage School community with immense pride, said Vice Principal. School manage-



Heritage School faculty felicitating winner Ashree Jandial.

ment extended heartfelt congratulations to Ashree for this well-deserved recognition.

# Hindi Diwas celebrated with fervour at KNIT



**STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Kotwal National Institute of Teaching (KNIT) Bharat Nagar Talab Tillo celebrated Hindi Diwas to mark the significance of Hindi language among students. This day is a celebration of the rich and diverse culture of India. Hindi is the most widely spoken language in India. The students of classes IX and X delivered speeches highlighting the importance of speaking and communicating in Hindi language. Poems were also

recited. The singing of Kabir and Tulsidas Dohas echoed throughout the KNIT premises. Principal, Binla Blawria stressed upon the need of speaking in Hindi to make students aware of Hindi language regardless of their religion caste or ethnicity. Director, Prof J.L Kotwal highlighted the importance of the language that can help to bridge the divides and bring people together and it is a major step in the country's progress journey towards unity.

# Tarun felicitates young sportspersons for bringing laurels to J&K

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: The Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory has no dearth of talent but there is need for identifying and providing best available coaching to them so that they find their rightful place in the national and international events.

This was stated by Tarun Uppal, social activist and Chairperson Nirbhay Bharat Foundation while felicitating young players of J&K UT who won medals in 10th Lagori National Championship in



Participating players posing for a photograph with a dignitary and official.

Rewari, Haryana.

The Jammu Kashmir Lagori team has made an unforgettable mark in the sports world by representing their state for the first time at the 10th Lagori National Championship.

Uppal said Jammu has traversed a long way over the years with its youth making big mark in every sphere of activity-art, sports, academics and culture. He said the victory of these youth is yet another feather in the saga of successes Jammu is credited with.

Tarun complemented the Trust namely INARA for providing training and all logistic support in bringing laurels to the Union Territory.

He extended best wishes to all the players and hoped that they will give their best in the upcoming tournaments and will become role model for others.

He also suggested J&K youth as well as players to work hard in whatever sport they have taken as there is no substitute to hard work.

# J&K UT 3 x 3 Basketball Championship concludes

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: J&K UT 3 x 3 Basketball Championship for Men and Women was held at MA Stadium on the September 13 and 14, 2023. A total of 21 teams, both Men and Women participated in the championship with players from different districts of J&K.

Among the women, the Smt Harjeet Kour Memorial Trophy was won by STC Warriors, and Team Hustle was placed first runner up.

Among the Men, the final match was held between Biba Boys and STC Warriors with Biba Boys winning the Late S Harbans Singh (DSP) Memorial Trophy.



Participating team posing with dignitaries.

The Player of the Tournament among men was awarded to Jaskirat Singh and among women it was awarded to Chitreshi. They were also given a cash prize of Rs 2100 each.

Rajeev Sharma Member Sports Council and Former

President Jammu and Kashmir Hockey was the Chief Guest for the day. He congratulated all the participating teams and assured the teams that he would help any player in need.

Chief Sports Officer Mohd Hanif (JKAS) was the Guest

of Honour for the day along with Abhimanyu Singh Kathoh.

Dr Vikram Handa, Principal Tiny Tots Hr Sec School, Kuldeep Magotra were among the notable dignitaries present. Harjinder Singh STC Chief Coach, Sushma Jamwal, Chief Coach JK Sports Council, Ranbir Singh Coach from Youth Services and Sports and Manoj (Referee) were among others who coached the teams and acted as officials during the Championship. Vote of thanks was presented by Dr Vikram Handa who in his address urged the players to do their best in the upcoming 3x3 National Championship.

# Haricane Bagnoti lifts Rajouri Volleyball trophy

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

RAJOURI: Haricane Club Bagnoti on Thursday lifted the District Rajouri Volleyball Championship which was organised by District Rajouri Volleyball Association under the banner of Volleyball Association of J&K (VAJK) at Sports Stadium, here.

In the final, Haricane defeated Darhal Club 3-1 (25-27, 25-23, 25-21, 25-19). Sachin Raina and Jamrood Singh played brilliant game for the winning team while Tosif Ahmed defended well from Darhal.

In the valedictory of the



DYSS officer, Sunil Singh Samyal presenting trophy to winner team.

event, District Youth Services and Sports

(DYSS) officer, Sunil Singh Samyal was chief guest, who presented the title trophies and other individual prizes.

The organising team was led by Mohd Tariq. Among others present were Mohd Hanif Khan (Retd.ZPEO), Shabir Ahmed (Supervisor Sports stadium Rajouri), Khalid Hussain, Dr.Asan Qureshi and Surjeet Singh (social activist).

The technical panel comprised Shabir Ahmed, Jameel Ahmed, Sajjad Majid, Farhat Khan and Azhar Shah.