



YSS Doda hosts Division-Level Taekwondo Championship 2026

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District Youth Services & Sports Department today organised the Inter-District Division-Level Taekwondo Championship 2026 for Boys of All Age Groups here at the Indoor Stadium Doda. Young Taekwondo athletes from various districts of the Jammu Division are participating in the competition.

The championship commenced with an energetic opening ceremony, providing the participating athletes an opportunity to showcase their technical skills, agility, discipline, determination and competitive spirit. The event witnessed keen competition among promising young sportspersons from across the division.

Speaking on the occasion, the DYSSO emphasised that division-level competitions provide young athletes with valuable exposure to competitive sporting environments, help build confidence and enable



them to gain experience against athletes from different districts.

The successful conduct of

the championship is being facilitated by Activity In-charges Vikram Chandail and Sanjay Sharma, along

with the dedicated efforts of participating coaches, managers, technical officials and supporting staff.

Inter-District Divisional Level Wushu Competition for Boys commences at Samba

SAMBA, SEPTEMBER 16: The Inter-District Divisional Level Wushu Competition for Under-17 and Under-19 Boys commenced today at the Indoor Stadium Samba, with the participation of young athletes from various districts of the Jammu Division.

The Under-17 Boys Wushu Competition was formally inaugurated by the Chief Guest, Deputy Commissioner Ayushi Sudan.

DYSSO Sunil Singh, along with his staff, warmly welcomed the Chief Guest and other guests on the occasion. Chief Education Officer Yash Paul Sharma, along with other officials, was also present.

The competition witnessed enthusiastic participation of 38 players from seven districts of the Jammu Division, accompanied by eight officials. The young athletes showcased their talent, technical skills, discipline and



sporting spirit during the event. Interacting with the participating players, Deputy Commissioner Ayushi Sudan encouraged them to remain dedicated to sports, maintain discipline and adopt a healthy and positive

lifestyle. She also urged the young players to stay away from drugs and make sports an integral part of their lives. On the occasion, a pledge was administered to the participants to promote awareness against drug abuse and encourage the youth to contribute towards building a

healthy and drug-free society. The event provided a platform for young Wushu players to demonstrate their sporting abilities while promoting the values of discipline, fitness, teamwork and healthy competition.

High-Scoring action marks Kathua Football League

KATHUA, SEPTEMBER 16: The ongoing Kathua Football League 2026, a flagship youth engagement initiative of the District Administration Kathua under the Nasha Mukht Abhiyan, witnessed two exciting encounters today at the Sports Ground, GDC Kathua, with young footballers showcasing skill, discipline and sport-

ing spirit. In the first match, Sunday FC registered a commanding 6-0 victory over Kharote FC. Sushant emerged as the star performer with a hat-trick, while Amit Malhotra scored twice and Raghuvir Singh added one goal. In the second match, Hiranagar FC secured a 5-0 win over Chandwan FC. Lalit scored two goals, while

Aryan, Aniket and Dhruv contributed one goal each. The District Administration Kathua is using the football league as a vibrant platform for positive youth engagement, fitness, teamwork and discipline, reinforcing the message of the Nasha Mukht Abhiyan and encouraging youngsters to adopt healthy and constructive lifestyles.

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Royal Goodwill Cricket Club Defeats Cyber X Strikers by 70 Runs in BIG Premier League

SRINAGAR, SEPTEMBER 16: The Greenlam Laminates BIG Premier League 2026 witnessed another day of competitive cricket at Bakshi Stadium, Srinagar, with Royal Goodwill Cricket Club defeating Cyber X Strikers by 70 runs in the first match of the day.

Organised by 92.7 BIG FM, The day's proceedings were graced by Shri Sujit Kumar Singh, IPS, Inspector General of Police, Kashmir Zone, as the Chief Guest, who appreciated the initiative of bringing young cricketers together through the league.

Speaking on the occasion, Shri Sujit Kumar Singh, IPS, Inspector General of Police, Kashmir Zone, stressed the importance of sports in keeping young people engaged in healthy and constructive activities. He said that drugs are harmful and have no place in the lives of young people, and emphasised the need to promote sports and sporting activities to help keep the youth away from drugs. He said that initiatives such as the BIG Premier League provide young people with a positive platform to channel their energy, develop discipline and teamwork, and pursue a healthy lifestyle. He appreciated the organisers and participating teams for promoting sports through the tournament.

The tournament is supported by Greenlam Laminates as Title Partner, Excise Department, J&K as Powered By Partner, J&K Forest Department, Qureshi Kabab Corner and Kanwal Spices as Co-Powered By Partners, J&K Bank as Official Banking Partner, Arsh Autos as Auto Partner, Le Delice as Food Partner, JK Sports Time as Streaming Partner, Rising Kashmir as Print Partner, The Coun-



Presentation Convent Srinagar, Netherfield Sopore Lift U-15 Football Titles

ADDC Baramulla graces Concluding Ceremony

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The Rev. Fr. C.B. Simons Memorial Football Tournament concluded today at St. Joseph's School Ground, Baramulla, with the finals of the Under-15 Boys and Girls categories.

In the Under-15 Girls final, Presentation Convent School, Srinagar, emerged as the champions, while Netherfield School, Sopore, clinched the Under-15 Boys title.

Additional District Development Commissioner (ADDC) Baramulla, Pranjal J. Hazarika, was the Chief Guest at the concluding ceremony and presented trophies and prizes to the winning teams. He congratulated the young players and appreciated the organisers for promoting football and providing students with opportunities to showcase their sporting talent.

The concluding ceremony was further enlivened by an impressive drill and band display pre-



sented by the students of St. Joseph's School, which was appreciated by the gathering.

Representatives of various participating schools,

school authorities, sponsors, teachers, students, players and other guests attended the ceremony.

The tournament provided young footballers

with a platform to compete in a positive sporting environment while promoting discipline, teamwork, sportsmanship and camaraderie among students.

MLA Kulgam inaugurates U-19 inter-district boys baseball tournament

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Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA) Kulgam, Mohammed Yousuf Tarigami today inaugurated the U-19 inter-district boys baseball tournament at L/NK Shri Nazir Ahmad Wani Government Boys Higher Secondary School, Kulgam.

The tournament is being hosted by the Youth Services and Sports Department, Kulgam, and organised under the supervision of the Joint Director, Youth Services and Sports, Kashmir, with participation from all districts of the Kashmir Division.

Speaking on the occasion, MLA Kulgam appreciated the efforts of the Youth Services and Sports Department in providing young athletes with opportunities to showcase their talent and encouraged the youth of Jammu & Kashmir to actively participate in sports, maintain discipline, and contribute positively to society.

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portant for health. They keep us physically active and help reduce mental stress. They are beneficial for everyone from children and young people to adults and senior citizens. Even simple activities such as walking, taking a few steps

regularly and remaining physically active can make a huge contribution for good health", said MLA in his address. Eight matches were played in the inaugural day of competition with participating teams exhibiting at a great level

of talent and sportsmanship. The event was attended by numerous sports enthusiasts, locals and dignitaries including ex DDC chairperson Kulgam and other citizens along with sports persons and officials.