

BCCI names three captains for four series

*Umran selected for T20 squad against NZ

NEW DELHI, Oct 31: All-rounder Hardik Pandya was on Monday named India's captain for the upcoming three-match T20 series in New Zealand as BCCI announced three different leaders for four upcoming assignments across formats.

The T20 series will begin on November 18 in Wellington, four days after the conclusion of the ongoing World Cup in Australia.

Veteran opener Shikhar Dhawan will captain the Indian team in the ODI series in New Zealand, starting November 25.

Rishabh Pant will be vice captain of the team in New Zealand in both series.

Rohit Sharma, Virat Kohli, opener KL Rahul, keeper-batter Dinesh Karthik and veteran off-spinner Ravichandran Ashwin have all been rested for the New Zealand tour as part of "workload management of players."

Rohit will be back to lead the side in ODI and Test series in Bangladesh. Star batter Kohli, Ashwin will also return to the squad for the Bangladesh tour where India will play three ODIs and two Tests, beginning December 4.

This is the first time that the BCCI has announced four squads at the same time.

Ravindra Jadeja, who was ruled out of the ongoing T20 World Cup after suffering a knee injury during the Asia Cup, will also make a comeback against Bangladesh.

Selection Committee Chairman Chetan Sharma said different teams have been announced to manage players' workload.

"Nobody asked for rest. All the decisions are part of workload management of players. We have reports from the medical team on who to give rest when and how to manage them," Chetan said during a virtual media interaction.

Asked about Karthik's future after his below-par show in the first three matches of the T20 World Cup and now that he has been rested for the New Zealand tour, Chetan insisted that it's not all over for the Tamil Nadu batter.

"The World Cup is going to finish in a few days and so we need to decide who to rest or not. He (Karthik) has been performing and he is available to us. But this

Arshdeep Singh, Deepak Chahar, Kuldeep Sen, Umran Malik.

Squad for Bangladesh ODIs: Rohit Sharma (C), KL Rahul (vc), Shikhar Dhawan, Virat

BCCI appoints observers for J&K, Bihar CAs

NEW DELHI, Oct 31:

The BCCI on Monday appointed Ashish Shelar and Devajit Saikia as observers for Cricket Associations of Jammu and Kashmir and Bihar, respectively.

"The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) on Monday announced the appointments of Ashish Shelar, Honorary Treasurer BCCI as an observer for Jammu and Kashmir Cricket Association and Devajit Saikia, Joint Secretary, BCCI as an observer for Bihar Cricket Association," BCCI secretary Jay Shah said

in a release. The Bihar Cricket Association has faced allegations of election impropriety apart from administrative issues and en masse corruption in selection of age group teams.

In the recent Annual General Meeting of BCCI held in Mumbai on October 18, Shelar was appointed BCCI treasurer, while Saikia was named joint secretary. (PTI)

Sr National Wushu C'ship

Rajinder, Abhishek, Surya Bhanu reach QF rounds

Excelsior Sports Correspondent

SRINAGAR, Oct 31: Rajinder Singh, Abhishek Singh & Surya Bhanu Partap Singh cruised into quarter final rounds

Gold, Manipur clinched Silver and CRPF won Bronze.

In Xingyiquan men event, ITBP (Gold), Odisha (Silver) and CRPF (Bronze), while in Baguazhang women event, Karnataka (Gold), Assam (Silver) and Bihar (Bronze) and in Daoshu men event, AIP secured Gold, SSCB won Silver and Madhya Pradesh clinched Bronze medal.



Winners displaying medals during Wushu Championship at Srinagar on Sunday.

In Daoshu women, Arunachal Pradesh (Gold) and Manipur (Silver/Bronze), while in Taijijian men, SSCB (Gold/Silver), Assam (Bronze) and in Taijijian women, AIP won Gold and Arunachal Pradesh secured Silver/Bronze.

The chief guests of today's presentation ceremony were Suhail Ahmad CEO Wushu Association of India, S.S Hari Chandan (President Odisha Wushu Association), Shambu Seth (Ex. Member WAI) and Mohd Islam-Ud-Din (Former Chief Coach Wushu of India), while Lt. Col. Vinceri Pattan and Kuldeep Handoo (Dronacharya Awarded) presented medals to the winners.

Second round of bouts of the final fight in Sanda (Men/Women) sections will be played tomorrow.

time we just thought of trying a different set of players after the World Cup," the chief selector said.

Karthik suffered a back injury during India's last match against South Africa and is a doubtful starter against Bangladesh on Wednesday.

But Chetan did not share any update on Karthik's injury.

"The medical team is looking after him, it's an internal matter so it's not wise to disclose anything here. He is part and parcel of the World Cup and he is doing well."

Squad for NZ T20is: Hardik Pandya (C), Rishabh Pant (vc & wk), Shubman Gill, Ishan Kishan, Deepak Hooda, Surya Kumar Yadav, Shreyas Iyer, Sanju Samson (wk), W Sundar, Yuzvendra Chahal, Kuldeep Yadav, Arshdeep Singh, Harshal Patel, Mohd. Siraj, Bhuvneshwar Kumar, Umran Malik.

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SSP Vinod Kumar interacting with players at Udhampur on Monday.

Volleyball tournament organised

Excelsior Sports Correspondent

UDHAMPUR, Oct 31: Police today organized a Volleyball tournament to observe 'Commemoration Day' here at Mini Stadium.

The tournament was inaugurated by Dr Vinod Kumar-SSP Udhampur, who was accompanied by Anwaar UI Haq Addl. SP Udhampur, SHO, Raghubir Singh, PSI Rahul Singh and PSI Raman Kumar.

The Volleyball tournament is being organized in the loving memory of J&K Police martyrs who had laid down their lives to uphold the integrity and sovereignty of the Nation.

The Volleyball tournament was played between Udhampur Volleyball Club and City Volleyball Club in which Udhampur Volleyball Club defeated the opponent team and lifted the title of tournament.

The SSP emphasized that it is the need of the hour to channelize the energy of the youth in a positive way and for their healthy growth as well as to keep them away from unhealthy activities.

A felicitation ceremony was held on the occasion during which Dr Vinod Kumar participated the teams and participating players.

Finch's fifty helps Australia 42-run win over Ireland

BRISBANE, Oct 31:

Skipper Aaron Finch returned to form with an aggressive half-century as defending champions Australia revived their T20 World Cup campaign with a 42-run win over Ireland, here on Monday.

Finch, who struggled with a hamstring issue, revived Australia's innings with a 44-ball 63 as the hosts overcame a slow start to post a competitive 179 for five after being sent into bat.

Chasing the imposing total, Ireland, who knocked out two-time champions West Indies and shocked England in the Super 12 stage, were dismissed for 137 in 18.1 overs.

By virtue of this win, Australia, with five points from four games, jumped to second spot in Group 1 ahead of England to be in the reckoning for a semifinal spot. New Zealand are leading the group.

Australia will take on Afghanistan in their last group game on Friday in Adelaide.

Australia rode on their pace prowess to dismiss half of the Irish side inside four overs with the scoreboard reading 25.

Wicketkeeper-batter Lorcan Tucker stood tall for Ireland with the bat as he hit a counter-attacking unbeaten 71 off 48 balls to keep his side's hopes alive.

But with little support from the other end, it was too much of an asking from Tucker and it was all over for Ireland after Joshua Little was run out in the penultimate over.

Pace spearhead Pat Cummins (2/28) started it all, cleaning up Ireland's in-form opener Andy Balbirnie (6) before Glenn Maxwell (2/14)

dismissed Paul Stirling (11) and Harry Tector (6) within a span of five balls.

Mitchell Starc (2/43) then produced a sensational open-

ing over, cleaning up Harry Tector (6) and Curtis Campher (0) in a span of five balls to reduce Ireland to 25 for five.

Tucker also smashed Mitchell Starc for 12 runs, including two back-to-back boundaries in the 12th over. (PTI)



Chief guest lighting the traditional lamp during the event at Jammu on Monday.

Founders' Day celebrated with enthusiasm

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Oct 31: Shaurya International School celebrated its 'Founders' Day', wherein Vijay Bakaya, former Chief Secretary of J&K, was the chief guest, while Pardeep Gandotra, chairman Jammu Civil Society graced the occasion as guest of honour, here today.

Trustees, Uma Gupta and Kusum Gupta, Harinder Mahajan, chairman School Management Committee and Sahil Mahajan, vice chairman, School Directors, Pooja Mahajan and Miho Mahajan besides distinguished guests including Santosh Gupta, Dr Neelam Saraf, Saloni Mehta and Ashima Mehta were also present during the event.

The event commenced with paying floral tribute to founders, late Janak Raj Gupta and late Sneha Gupta, followed by lighting of traditional lamps by the chief guest and other dignitaries.

A Sarvधarm Prarthana (All Faith prayer) was also organised, followed by Ganesh Vandana performed by students that attracted everyone's attention and various sports, art and craft activities were also organized.

On this occasion, meritorious students were honoured with scholarships, while staff with 12 years of regular service were also felicitated.

Vijay Bakaya, the chief guest congratulated all the teachers and staff members for their commitment and honesty, while Pardeep Gandotra commented the School is now a name of perfection for its creativity and innovation in response to the School's outstanding achievements."

Harinder Mahajan, chairman of the School said that the School cherished the dream of its founders, late Janak Raj Gupta and late Sneha Gupta and they wanted to see it attaining great height with the support of its dedicated staff.

Sahil Mahajan, vice-chairman praised the team's accomplishment of this incredible milestone and thanked parents and students for their loyalty to the School in the last 15 years, while Dr Rajesh Gandral, Principal stated that the School has pioneered a new world of education where students are empowered with holistic development.

District Table Tennis C'ship commences

Excelsior Sports Correspondent

UDHAMPUR, Oct 31: Three days long District Udhampur Open Table Tennis Championship commenced at Indoor Sports Hall, here today.

The championship is being organised under the aegis of J&K Table Tennis Association



Participants posing for a group photograph alongwith dignitaries at Udhampur on Monday.

ously to uplift the talent of youngsters.

Around 150 participants from every nook and corner of the district participated in this championship in cadet boys, sub-junior boys, sub-junior girls, junior girls categories.

In cadet boys: Prajwal Bandral defeated Paras Bhardwaj by 2-0, Shashwat Tripathi beat Mohit Sharma by 2-1, whereas in sub junior boys: Kanav Gupta trounced Anmol Singh by 2-0 and Lakshyadeep Singh defeated Manish Singh by 2-1 and in sub junior girls: Upasana Sharma beat Suhani Satyal by 2-1, besides in junior girls: Gungun Sharma beat Varsha Jamwal by 2-1.

On the occasion, Prikshit Khajuria (Treasurer), Sunny Sharma (Vice President), Achat Magotra (Executive Member), Paras Magotra, Vishal Singh, Naveen Sharma (Manager Subash Stadium Udhampur) and many others were present.

The matches were officiated by Maninder Singh, Mannat Sharma, Sahil Malgotra and Jasmeet Singh.



KCPS students posing for a group photograph during the seminar on Monday.

KCPS students attend seminar on 'Military History'

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Oct 31: Eleven students of KC Public School (KCPS) attended the two day seminar on 'Military History', organised by Welham Boys' School Dehradun on October 28 and 29.

The students who participated in the seminar were Medhraj Pathania, Adhiraj Gaurav Jamwal, Sharanya Salathia, Prabhjot Singh, Arpit Gandotra, Shivam Raina, Suhani Bhalia, Dnyuti Sharma, Dakshesh Gupta, Aasmata Gupta and Aditi Dhar. They were escorted by Inderjit Kour and Ajay Thappa.

Welham Boys' School hosted the 6th edition of this prestigious 'Military History Seminar' in real time after a gap of two years, wherein more than 25 schools participated from across the country.

Extremely eminent retired personalities from defence services and other fields were invited as keynote speakers including Air Chief Marshal

RKS Bhadauria, Admiral Karambir Singh, Air Vice Marshal Bahadur Manmohan, Lt Gen Mohinder Puri, Lt Gen PC Bhardwaj, Lt Gen Harinder Singh, Lt Gen KJ Singh, Lt Gen Shankar Prasad, Maj Gen Jagatbir Singh and Col Ajay K Raina.

Kean Medhraj Pathania excelled in his syndicate and was selected for the panel discussions with Lt Gen Shankar Prasad, Maj Gen Jagatbir Singh, Maj Gen Mohinder Puri, Air Vice Marshal Bahadur Manmohan, Air Chief Marshal RKS Bhadauria and Admiral Karambir Singh on the theme of 'Russia-Ukraine' crisis.

A wide range of topics related to military events in India and the world were discussed during the seminar which was moderated by well-known media personality Shiv Kumar Verma. Student delegates from all the participating schools were given the opportunity to express their views.

Unique commentating skills of visually impaired Kashmiri boy awes people

Suhail Bhat



Musaib delivers commentary during a local cricket match at Sopore.

SRINAGAR, Oct 31: Musaib Yousuf Wani, a 10-year-old visually impaired boy from the Sopore area of North Kashmir, has drawn admiration from everyone because of his extraordinary commentary skills.

Every day, his uncle Ghulam Nabi brings him to the cricket ground where he helps him with commentary by recounting the game to him. The people support his passion for the game, and he has gained a devoted following.

Musaib is being praised by everyone for not letting his condition stop him from pursuing his passion and encouraging not only those with disabilities but also those who are dealing with difficult obstacles in life, giving them the lesson to never give up on their dreams.

"The fact that this child cannot see with his eyes but yet analyses the game like an expert astounds me. His age wouldn't even be able to fully comprehend the game, but he is special," Asif Ahmad, a local cricketer said.

He said that, first of all, it serves as an inspiration for us all to keep going in life. "The way he pursues cricket and never gives up provides us a message that one should not give up whatever occurs in life," he said.

He travels daily with his uncle to different cricket fields to commentate on a match in a local cricket tournament in Northern Kashmir's Sopore area. The match's commentators give him the microphone as soon as he enters the stadium, and he starts commentating in a way that leaves everyone in amazement. He enjoys the attention he gets on Social Media because he thinks it will help him get recognition and realise his goal of becoming a cricket commentator.

Musaib resides in the Sopore region of northern Kashmir in the little village of Chandkoota. Since he was little, he has had a propensity for cricket, and he has always found cricket commentary to be fascinating.

"If a cricket game was set for four o'clock, I used to sit in front of the TV starting at 10 a.m. to watch the highlights and shows like Follow the Blues with Irfan Pathan and Akash Chopra," he said.

With increasing enthusiasm for cricket commentary and the conviction that "I can do anything even though I am a disabled person," he started to imitate the commentators. "Why is it that a crippled person cannot do anything?" Musaib said.

He got a chance to commentate at a local tournament, and people started admiring his skills. "Subsequently, the Intiyaz Memorial cricket tournament began in our area, and I want to thank the tournament's organizers, Jamsheed Bhat and Ishfaq Bhat, who offered me time here," he said.

He claims that his devotion has brought him the affection he was lacking throughout his life: "First, because I am blind, I was never given any attention or significance anywhere. The blind

noticed this after one to two months. We took him to the physicians after seeing he was unable to recognize anything, and they confirmed his blindness after running a number of tests," Musaib's uncle, Ghulam Nabi, said.

He hopes their kid's success will inspire other kids like him to pursue their goals. "We knew he was talented, and we wanted him to stand up on his own. We would do everything in our power to encourage him and assist him in realizing his goals," he said.



Students and dignitaries posing for a group photograph during 'Annual Sports Day' at Jodhamal School Jammu.

Jodhamal celebrates 'Annual Sports Day'

Excelsior Sports Correspondent

JAMMU, Oct 31: Jodhamal Public School celebrated its 'Annual Sports Day' in the School sports ground with great zeal and fervor, wherein Ashok Sinha (AIG - CISF), was the chief guest and Nandan Kuthiala, as guest of honour.

The series of events started with the March Past by NCC cadets of Naval wing and Army wings were commanded by Mukul Dev Verma and Gayatri Charak respectively which were trained by Kusum Abrol and Poonam Sarmal, followed by the ceremonial torch led by Aditya Abrol and the various National and State players of the School.

Nandita Mehta, Ciya Gupta and Aditya Abrol, all sports captains welcomed the chief guest and the dignitaries and asked the players to play with the spirit of sportsmanship and to follow the discipline of the game.

School Principal, Dr Deep Khare in his speech welcomed the guests, parents and all the spectators and narrated the importance of the sports.

Nearly 50 races were held like Skatathon, 100 meters race, 200 meters race, 4 x 100 meters relay race, 800 metre race, sack race, big ball race, bucket ball race, uniform race, 1500 meters and obstacle race as well as 300 medals were distributed among the winners.

Ashok Sinha emphasized the importance of sports and said that it was a pleasure to see how students of the School had eluded the addition of social media and were breaking away from the constraints of the four walls of the household and were actively nurturing their skills according to their potential to build a harmonious spirit.

The best sports trophy went to the Enterprise house, while Challenge house stood runners up. Athlete of the year award went to Aditya Abrol from senior wing.

The meet culminated with the soothing and pious shlok by the talented choir group of JMPS, followed by the National Anthem. A vote of thanks was proposed by School sports captain Ciya Gupta and Nandita Mehta.

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Tender Notice : e-NIT No.: -35/WLWJZ of 2022-23 dated:27-10-2022

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor, of UT of Jammu & Kashmir, e-tenders are invited from approved and eligible contractors / Suppliers registered with J&K State Govt. /Central Govt. Organizations for the following ManpowerServices.

Notice Inviting Tender and Schedule of Events	
Name of work	Tender for providing Man power as Skilled 5 (Drivers (02), Computer Operators (03) and unskilled 18 No. (Helpers, Animal Keepers, Staff for Interpretation Centre, Orientation Centre, Amphitheatre)
Tender No.	e-NIT No:35/WLWJZ of 2022-23 dated 27.10.2022
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Rs. 80,000/- (Rs. Eighty Thousand only) as EMD. EMD fees shall be in the form of CDR/FDR issued by a Nationalized/Scheduled Bank only in favour of Wildlife Warden Jammu Zoo. Please upload the scanned copy of CDR/FDR online on e-procure portal http://jtenders.gov.in The hard copy of the CDR/FDR (EMD) must reach Wildlife Warden Chenab Division Kishtwar through courier/speed post/hand delivery before closing of bids date and time.
Cost of Tender Document	Rs 1000/- in the shape of Treasury Challan to be deposited in Govt. Treasury under account head 0406
Contract period	The initial period of contract will be for Two year.
Publishing of tender	For details and bid documents please visit website: http://jtenders.gov.in
Online Submission of Tender	Start from 1600 hrs on 27.10.2022
Last Date for submissionof tender	1600 hrs 17.11.2022
Opening of tender	Part-I- Technical Bid- Shall be opened at 1200 hrs on 18.11.2022 on the above mentioned e-procure portal at (In the Office of Regional Wildlife Warden Jammu, Manda Hills Jammu) Part-II- Financial Bid- Financial bid of only those bidders who declared technically qualified shall be opened after 02 days of uploading the result of technical evaluation one-procure portal. The financial bids will be opened on the above mentioned e-procure portal at (In the Office of Regional Wildlife Warden Jammu, Manda Hills Jammu)
Contact persons (for any clarifications)	Additional Wildlife Warden Jammu Zoo

Online tenders under two bid systems are invited from experienced & reputed service providers of sound financial standing, meeting the qualifying requirement for providing Manpower Services. The Bidders shall submit their bids online on departmental Website- http://jtenders.gov.in

The bid shall remain valid for 90 days from the date of opening of technical bid. Any future clarification and/or corrigendum(s) shall be communicated on departmental Website- http://jtenders.gov.in

Notes: The department reserves the right to modify any terms and conditions before submission of the bids. All tender related documents should be uploaded through e-procure portal only. Wildlife Warden Chenab Division Kishtwar shall not accept any tender related documents except CDR/FDR which in original must be sent by speedpost/courier/courier/hand delivery.

(Note- Agencies/Firms must check the Jammu Zoo work Site before tendering)

Sd/- Arit Sharma, ACF Additional Wildlife Warden Jammu Zoo DIP/J-10725/22 Dated : 28/10/2022