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MOA: IOA PRESIDENT MR. NARENDER DHRUV BATRA'S VISIT TO PUNE 2021

Mr. Narender Dhruv Batra President IOA, IOC member and President International Hockey Federation (FIH) was received and welcomed on his visit of Maharashtra at Pune airport in the morning of 8th October 2021 by Mr. Namdev Shirgaonkar Secretary General MOA, Mr. Balasaheb Landge Senior Vice President MOA, Mr. Sanjay Shete Vice President MOA, Mr. Dhanjay Bhosle Treasurer MOA and other members of MOA. IOA President after reaching Pune





had the Darshan of Shreemant Dagdu Sheth Halwai GANAPATI along with Mr. Namdev Shirgaonkar Secretary General MOA and other members of Maharashtra Olympic Association. Mr. Narender Dhruv Batra President IOA along with Mr. Namdev Shirgaonkar Secretary General MOA, Mr. Balasaheb Landge Senior Vice President MOA, Mr. Rajan Khinvasagar President Billiards & Snooker Federation of India, Mr. Sanjay Shete President Maharashtra Amateur Gymnastics Association and Vice President Maharashtra Olympic Association and other members met with Shri Ajit Dada Pawar President Maharashtra Olympic Association and Deputy Chief Minister of Maharashtra on 8th October 2021. Mr. Narender Dhruv Batra IOC Member and MOA members had a purposeful and fruitful meeting with Honorable Chief Minister Government of Maharashtra and discussed about development Sports, Sports Infrastructure, setting up of Academies, Sports Science Centre's and adopting 2 to 3 Olympic Sports by Government of Maharashtra followed by grand lunch with all the members organized by Maharashtra Olympic Association and left for Mumbai of the same day on 8th October 2021. Mr. Sanjay Shete President Maharashtra Amateur Gymnastics Association and Vice President Maharashtra Olympic Association presented a memento to Dr. Narender Dhruv Batra President IOA at Taj Blue Diamond Pune.













MOA: IOA PRESIDENT MR. NARENDER DHRUV BATRA'S VISIT TO MUMBAI 2021

Mr. Narender Dhruv Batra President IOA, IOC member and President International Hockey Federation (FIH) was received and welcomed in Mumbai by Mr. Namdev Shirgaonkar Secretary General MOA and Mr. Guru Dutta Bhakta Secretary General Goa Olympic Association at a function hosted jointly by MOA and GOA on 8th October 2021. The function was attended by other dignitaries by Mr. Adille Sumariwala President Athletics Federation of India, Mr. Pramod Chandurkar Secretary General Archery Association of India, Mr. Vikram Ahuja President India



Rugby Football Union, Mr. Pramod Khanna India Rugby Football Union and Executive Member IOA, Mr. Sunil Purnapatre President and Mr. Vithal Shirgaonkar Secertary General and Mr. Satyavir Singh Treasurer Modern Penthalon, Mr. Namdev Shirgaonkar President, Mr. Amit Dhamal Secretary General and Mr. Mahesh Jadhav India Taekwondo, Mr. Guru Dutta Bhakta Secretary General and Mr.

Jayesh Naik Executive member Goa Olympic Association, Mr. Ashok Pandit and Mr. Sanjay Shete Vice President Maharashtra Olympic Association and Mr. Mukesh Kumar Judo Federation of India. Mr. Batra also met Shri Aditya Thackeray Hon'ble Cabinet Minister for Environment, Tourism and Protocol Government of Maharashtra.

Hon'ble Minister felicitated Dr. Narender Batra President IOA and had a purposeful meeting with the minister for the development of sports and discussed about development Sports, Sports Infrastructure, setting up of Academies, Sports Science Centre's and adopting 2 to 3 Olympic Sports by Government of Maharashtra followed by grand lunch with all the members organized by Maharashtra Olympic Association and left

for Mumbai of the same day on 8th October 2021.









ART: 50TH WORLD ART GYMNASTICS CHAMPIONSHIP KITAKYUSHU JAPAN 2021

Indian Artistic Gymnastics Contingent consisits of Yogeshwar Singh (SSCB), Abhijeet Kumar (SSCB), Ashish Kumar (IR), Mr. Ashwani Samantray (Coach MAG) in MAG, Aruna Budddha reddy (TEL), Pranati Das (IR), Shraddha Talekar (MAH), Mr. Manoj Rana (Coach WAG) left for Japan to participate in 50th World Artistic Gymnastics Championship which was held at Kitakyushu Japan from 18-24th October 2021. Mr. Prahlad Priyadarshi Physiotherapist, Mr. B. L. Bayaskar MAG Judge Cat-II and Mr. Ashok Sahoo Secretary Odisha Gymnastics Association Head of Delegation also accompanied the

Indian Artistic Contingent. Approximately 194 men, 114 women gymnasts along with their coaches, judges, managers and head of the delegations from 56 nations participated to grabs a dozen of World titles. Each federation was allowed to send six male and four female gymnasts to compete. The 50th World Championship was originally scheduled to be held in Copenhagen in Denmark, before the Danish



Gymnastics Federation withdrew from hosting in July 2020 than FIG replaced to Japan in November 2020. It will be the third time that Japan has hosted the vent earlier in 1995 and 2011. This is the first time that 50th World Artistic Gymnastics Championships at Kitakyushu Japan was conducted in an Olympic year since 1996. This will

also the first time in the history of the FIG that two World Championships (Artistic & Rhythmic) are organised in the same city Kitakyushu in the south of Japan during the same period of time. Kitakyushu Japan's southernmost island is a special place for Gymnastics. Because six-time World Champion **Uchimura Kohei** (Japan) was born in Kitakyushu in 1989. The city is also





the birthplace of FIG President **Watanabe Morinari**. It also provided a unique opportunity for newcomers a chance to win their first World medals on the road to 2024 Paris Olympic Games. Twelve new World Champions will be crowned in Kitakyushu in men and women categories and most of them will be new. Indian men & women teams had their podium training on 14th & 15th October 2021. Mr. B. L. Bayaskar is appointed as Execution Judge (E-I) in Parallel Bars Qualification and E-II in High Bar AA Final. Indian women





gymnasts is in group-7 and performed at their best in qualifying round on 18th October 2021 where Aruna B. Reddy was at 11th position with her spectacular performance in Vault and qualified in Vault Final with R-III. Indian men gymnasts performed on 20th October 2021 in which Yogeshwar Singh and Abhijeet Singh tried to

maintain their trial's score but Ashish Kumar participated only in 3 events i. e. Pommel Horse, Rings and Vault and could not complete remaining 3 events due to sprain in elbow while performing on Vault. Yogeshwar Singh secured 30 position in AA with his amazing performance. He is the first ever Indian gymnast reached at 30th position in 50th World Champiosnship at Kitakyushu Japan even India earlier participated in last 12 World Championships at Yugoslavia in 1970, Birmingham in 1993, 1999 in China, 2001 in Belgium, 2003 in California, 2009 in London,







2011 in Tokyo, 2013 in Belgium, 2014 in Nanning, 2015 in Glasgow, 2017 in Montreal and 2019 in Stuttgart. Yogeshwar Singh easily could qualify in AA Finals (within 24) if performed High Bar without a fall.

50th World ART Gymnastics Championship Qualifying Results (WAG)

SN	Name	Vault	UB	ВВ	FX	AA	Rank	Trials Score 14 th & 15 th Sept.20 21
1	Aruna B. Reddy	13.141	10.900	9.366	12.333	45.740	46/59	46.225
2	Pranati Das	11.966	9.366	10.266	11.366	42.964	56/59	44.500
3	Shraddha Talekar	11.666	9.300	8.533	10.633	40.132	58/59	44.425

50th World ART Gymnastics Championship Qualifying Results (MAG)

Name	FX	PH	RR	TV	PB	НВ	AA	Rank	Trials
									Score
Yogeshwar S.	13.266	12.633	12.133	14.200	13.466	10.800	76.498	30/56	77.025
Abhijit Singh	12.666	11.733	11.166	12.433	13.200	12.133	73.331	46/56	76.525
Ashish Kumar	DNS	11.000	12.100	10.083	DNS	DNS	DNF	54/56	76.275

Legends: DNS means did not start & DNF means did not finish

Newcomer Zhang Boheng (CHN) in men's Artistic Gymnastics captured the World All-Around title on 22nd October 2021, upsetting Olympic Champion Hashimoto Daiki (JPN) on his home turf at the 50th Japanet Artistic Gymnastics World Championships 2021 in Kitakyushu (Japan) while Magnificent Angelina Melnikova (RGF) is a New All-





around World Champion at Kitakyushu (Japan) in her fourth World Championships after grabbing four silver and one bronze world medals. Gymnastics history is peppered with Soviet champions, but Melnikova is only the third

woman from her country to claim the World All-Around title, 11 years after Aliya Mustafina became the second. The first was Svetlana Khorkina, who won in 1997, 2001 and 2003. Final Results of All-around and Apparatus final of 50th World ART Gymnastics Championship Kitakyushu (Men & Women) are given as under

Final Results in Women's Artistic Gymnastics (WAG)

Event	Gold	Silver	Bronze
AA	Melnikova Angelina-RGF-56.632	Wong Leanne-USA-56.340	De CelloKayla-USA-54566
Vault	Andrade Rebeca-BRA-14.966	D'amato Asia-ITA-14.083	Melnikova Angeli-RGF-13.966
U Bars	Wei Xiaoyuan-CHN-14.733	Andrade Rebeca-BRA-14.633	Luo Rui-CHN-14.633
Beam	Ashikawa Urara-JPN-14.100	Schaefer-Betz-GER13.800	Murakami Mai-JPN-13.733
Floor	Murakami Mai-JPN-14.066	Melnikova Angeli-RGF-14.000	Wong Leanne-USA-13.833

Final Results in Men's Artistic Gymnastics (MAG)

Event	Gold	Silver	Bronze
AA	Zhang Boheng-CHN-87.981	Hashimoto Daiki-JPN-87.964	Kovtun Illia-UKR-84.899
Floor	Bartolini Nicola-ITA-14.800	Minami Kazuki-JPN-14.766	Soravuo Emil-FIN-14.700
PH	Nedoroscik Stephen-USA-15.266	Weng Hao-CHN / Kaya Kazuma-JPN-14.900	Х
Rings	Lan Xingyu-CHN-15.200	Lodadio Marco-ITA-14.866	Maresca Salvatore-ITA / Klimentev GRGF-14.833
Vault	Yulo Carlos Edriel-PHI-14.916	Yonekura Hideno-JPN-14.866	Medvedev Andrey-ISR-14.649
P Bars	Hu Xuwei-CHN-15.466	Yulo Carlos Edriel-PHI-15.300	Shi Kong-CHN-15.066
H. Bar	Hu Xuwei-CHN-15.166	Hashimoto Daiki-JPN-15.066	Malone Brody-USA-14.966

RG: 38TH WORLD RG GYMNASTICS CHAMPIONSHIP KITAKYUSHU JAPAN 2021

Indian Rhythmic Gymnastics Contingent consisits of Bavleen Kaur (J & K), Ms. Krupali Singh Patel (Coach RGI), Aditee Dandekar, Angelica C Fernandes, Disha Nidre, Janhavi Vartak, Nirja Chavan, Vaibhavi Bapat (All from Maharashtra), Ms. Varsha Upadhye and Ms. Neetu Bala (Coaches RGG) left for Japan to participate in 38th World Rhythmic Gymnastics Championship which was held at Kitakyushu Japan from 27-31st October 2021. 72 gymnasts from 47 countries in Rhythmic Gymnastics Individual (RGI) and 108 gymnasts from 18 countries participated in the Rhythmic Gymnastics Group (RGG) competition including India. Ms. Akshata Shete FIG International RGI Judge Cat-II and Ms. Pooja Surve FIG International RGG Judge Cat-III from India Officiated at 38th World Rhythmic Gymnastics Championship at Kitakyushu Japan from 27-31st October 2021. These Gymnasts are expected to contend for one of the nine World titles i. e. five in Rhythmic Gymnastics individual in the All-Around final and with the four handheld apparatus - Hoop, Ball, Clubs, and Ribbon, three in Rhythmic Gymnastics Group in the All-Around competition as well as with the 5 Balls and 3 Hoops / 2 Pairs of Clubs and a team title that takes into account scores from both at Kitakyushu. 2020 Tokyo Olympic Champions Bulgaria have withdrawn from the competition due to an injury to a team member. The island nation is no stranger to welcoming the sport's best and brightest Rhythmic Gymnasts and Officials. Kitakyushu is the third Japanese city to host the





performance in both mixed and single apparatus events and

Rhythmic Gymnastics World Championships, following Osaka in 1999 and Mie in 2009 which were organized by Japan Gymnastics Association (JGA) earlier successfully. Kitakyushu, a city of just under a million on the southern island of Kyushu, hosted the 50th World Artistic Gymnastics Championships earlier this month and is reveling in the unique opportunity to host back-to-back 38th Rhythmic Gymnastics World Championship events. Indian Group Rhythmic Gymnasts put up a strong and commendable received India's best ever All-Around score at a FIG World Championship. In 2018 Indian Rhythmic Group scored 16.450 in All Around but in 2021 Indian Group have scored 30.100 which has been achieved with great Dedication and

Determination from RG gymnasts and valuable support from Gymnastics Federation of India for this championship. Judges, Coaches and FIG officials from around the World appreciated Indian Team's performance. They conveyed that this performance will prove to be a big step ahead for Indian Rhythmic Gymnastics and more than the scores that matters the



most. Russian Gymnastics Federation (RGF) won the gold medal with 88.350 points in RG Group All-Around Final while Indian RG Group finished with 30.100 points. Indian RG Team and coaches with FIG Technical Members at 38th





World Rhythmic Gymnastics Championship Kitakyushu Japan.

38th World Rhythmic Gymnastics Championship Results (India, RGI)

SN	Name	Ноор	Ball	Clubs	Ribbon	AA	Difference Trials / WC	Trials Score 14 th & 15 th Sept. 2021
1.	Bavleen Kaur Rank	10.750 63/63	11.00 63/63	13.750 63/63	9.800 62/63	35.500 61/61	-20.350	55.85

Final Results in Women's Rhythmic Gymnastics Individual (RGI)

Event	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Team	RGF-216.225	Ukraine-193.950	Italy-191.575
Ind	Averina D-RGF-108.400	Harnasko-A-BLR-105.300	Averina A-RGF-103.200
Ноор	Averina D-RGF-27.750	Harnasko-A-BLR-25.950	Raffaelis S-ITA-25.850
Ball	Averina D-RGF-29.125	Averina A-RGF-27.675	Harnasko-A-BLR-27.300
Clubs	Averina D-RGF-27.100	Averina A-RGF-26.750	Salos Anastasiia-BLR-26.400
Ribbon	Harnasko-A-BLR-23.950	Averina D-RGF-23.900	Averina A-RGF-23.450

Final Results in Women's Rhythmic Gymnastics Group (RGG)

SN	Country & Name of Gymnasts	5 Balls	3 hoops/2pairs Clubs	Total	Rank
1	India (Group) Aditee Dandekar, Angelica C. Fernandez, Disha Nidre, Janhavi Vartak, Nirja Chavan, Vaibhavi Bapat	16.650	13.450	30.100	18/18

Final Results in Women's Rhythmic Gymnastics Group (RGG)

Event	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Group AA	RGF-88.350	Italy-86.00	Belarus-85.400
5 Balls	RGF-46.000	Italy-45.600	Japan-44.500
3 Hoop / 2 Pairs Clubs	Italy-42.275	RGF-40.950	Japan-40.900

ART: 5TH CENTRAL SOUTH ASIAN ARTISTIC GYMNASTICS CHAMP DHAKA 2021

Indian Gymnastics Contingent consisits of Siddharth Verma (IR), Omkar Shinde (MAH), Debang Dey (SSCB), Arik Dey (SSCB), Mr. Rajan Barthwal (Coach) in MAG, Karishma Rajput (UP), Papiya Das (IR), Surabhi Prasanna Pasarala (TEL), Soumyashree Das (WB), Mr. Vishal Deep (Coach) in WAG, Nishant (MAH), Pranav Mishra (UP), Pranav Kushwaha (UP), Ayush (MAH) and Mr. Subham Giri (Coach) in Junior MAG left on 25th October



2021 to participate in Bangabandhu 5th Sr. & 1st Jr. Central South Asian Artistic Gymnastics Championship at Dhaka Bangladesh from 26-31st October 2021.

Mr. G. Ravinder, Mr. Satpal Chhabra, Ms. Arundhoti Poddar as Judges while Parmeshwar Prajapati (Manager) and Mr. Subbarao Nambaru as Head of the Contingent also accompanied with the Indian Gymnastics Team in the above championship. Junior MAG Team had a coaching camp at Khelgaon Prayagraj from 7-24th October 2021 for better coordination among the team. FIG International Judges Mr. R. L. Verma (MAG) and Mrs. Sanjivani Purnapatre (WAG) are specially invited by Bangladesh Gymnastics Association (BGA) to officiate as judges in 5th Sr. & 1st Jr. Central South Asian Gymnastics Championship. Minister for Youth and Sports Shri Zahid Ahsan Russel Government of Bangladesh unveiled the logo of the 'Bangabandhu' 5th Sr. & 1st Jr. Central South Asian Artistic Gymnastics Championship 2021 at Dhaka Club on 23rd October 2021. Bangladesh Gymnastics Federation organized the championship in observance of the Birth Centenary of the Father of Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. 67 gymnasts from six nation's i. e. Uzbekistan, India, Pakistan, Nepal, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh participated to fight for 22 gold medals in three categories i. e. men's senior (8), men's junior (8) and women (6). The Minister for Foreign affairs Dr. Abdul Momen was the chief guest who inaugurated the championship at Mirpur Shaeed Suhrawadry Indoor Stadium on 27 October 2021 and State Minister for Youth and Sports Zahid Ahsan Russel was present as special guest. One of the big attractions of the competition was the presence of Margarita Mamun, a Bangladeshi born Russian gymnast who won gold medal in All-Around Individual Championship in Rhythmic Gymnastics in the Rio Olympic 2016. AGU sent their representatives Mr. Nedal Alyousef (MAG) & Ms. Rima Kizilgun (WAG) for the smooth conduct of the championship and Mr. Mandar Mhahtre did the digital scoring very efficiently. Indian Women, Men and Junior MAG (Boys) teams won silver medal in Team Championship while Karishma Rajput in WAG, Omkar Shinde in MAG and Nishant Karndikar in Junior MAG (Boys) won Bronze medal in Individual Championship. Karishma Rajput won Bronze medal in Uneven Bars and Floor Exercises while Soumyashree Das won Bronze medal in Beam in WAG Apparatus Finals (C-III). Papiya Das qualified for WAG Apparatus Finals in Vault & U. Bars while Surabhi Prasanna in Beam but Papiya &

Surabhi could not make it to the podium. Mr. N. Subbarao Joint Secretary GFI presented the medals to the WAG Winners in Floor, U. Bars and Beam. All MAG (Senior) and MAG (Junior) gymnasts qualified for the Apparatus Finals (C-III). MAG (Senior) Gymnast Omkar Shinde won Gold medal in RR & PB, Debang Dey Gold in PH, Arik Dey won Silver medals in FX & PB while Siddharth Verma won Bronze in RR, Vault and Silver medal in High Bar. MAG (Junior) Gymnast Pranav Kushwaha won Silver in HB & Bronze medal in Floor & Vault, Nishant Karandikar won Bronze in Rings & Silver medal in P. Bars and Aayush won Bronze me dal in P. Bars while Pranav Mishra qualify in Floor and Rings but could not grab the medal. Indian Gymnasts won 3 gold, 9 silver & 11 bronze medals in the championship in Men, Women and Junior Boys categories.





















5th Central South Artistic Gymnastics Championship Results (India WAG)

Name	Vault	UB	ВВ	FX	AA	Rank	Trials Score 14 th & 15 th Sept.20 21
Karishma Rajput	12.40	9.05	9.45	10.95	41.85		42.450
Papiya Das	12.70	8.65	8.70	10.75	40.80		41.900
Surabhi Prasanna Pasarla	12.20	7.50	10.40	9.65	39.75		40.375
Soumyashree Das	12.10	8.45	9.65	11.00	41.20		40.225

5th Central South Artistic Gymnastics Championship Results (India MAG)

Name	FX	PH	RR	TV	PB	НВ	AA	Rk	Trials Score
Siddhartha V.	11.00	9.60	12.15	13.80	11.55	13.10	71.20		77.425
Omkar Shinde	11.30	12.10	12.70	12.90	12.70	12.65	74.35		75.200
Debang Dey	11.80	13.15	12.00	13.85	11.50	11.30	73.60		74.950
Arik Dey	11.70	12.20	10.55	12.50	13.05	12.80	72.80		74.925

5th Central South Artistic Gymnastics Championship Results (India MAG Junior)

Name	FX	PH	RR	TV	PB	HB	AA	Rank	Trials Score
Nishant	11.80	11.35	11.95	12.10	12.05	11.35	70.60		70.30
Pranav Mishra	12.15	6.25	11.30	12.40	10.25	11.20	63.55		69.55
Pranav Kush	12.70	10.40	11.15	12.35	11.30	11.85	69.75		67.75
Ayush	11.95	10.95	11.20	12.40	11.40	11.20	69.10		66.40

Final Results 5th Central South Artistic Gymnastics Championship (WAG)

Event	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Team	Uzbekistan-146.45	India-125.65	Sri anka-109.55
Ind	Miroshnichenko-UZB-48.75	Khalilova Ominakhon-UZB-47.80	Karishma Rajput-India-41.85
Vault	Miroshnichenko-UZB-12.833	Jumabekova Gulnaj-UZB-12.817	Bonofuli Chakma-BAN-12.417
U. Bars	Aripova Dildora-UZB-12.167	Miroshnichenko-UZB-10.133	Karishma Rajput-India-9.200
Beam	Aripova Dildora-UZB-12.133	Khalilova Ominakhon-UZB-11.167	Soumyashree Das-Ind-10.400
Floor	Miroshnichenko-UZB-12.667	Khalilova Ominakhon-UZB-12.500	Karishma Rajput-India-11.167

Final Results 5th Central South Artistic Gymnastics Championship (MAG)

Event	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Team	Uzbekistan-229.650	India-225.50	Bangladesh-198.950
Ind	Juraev Utkirbek-UZB-77.45	Azamov Asadbek-UZB-75.30	Omkar Shinde-India-74.35
Floor	Miravaliev-UZB-13.467	Arik Dey-India-12.700	Azamov Asadbek-UZB-12.567
PH	Debang Dey-India-13.00-	Juraev Utkirbek-UZB-12.867	Azamov Asadbek-UZB-12.633
RR	Omkar Shinde-India-12.867	Uzakbaev Miyribek-UZB-12.300	Siddharth Verma-India-12.200
Vault	Miravaliev-UZB-14.033	Azamov Asadbek-UZB-12.400	Siddharth Verma-India-12.383

PB	Omkar Shinde-India-13.033	Arik Dey-India-12.867	Temirov Bekhruz-UZB-12.433
НВ	Juraev Utkirbek-UZB-13.333	Siddharth Verma-India-13.167	Temirov Bekhruz-UZB-12.700

Final Results 5th Central South Artistic Gymnastics Championship (MAG Junior)

Event	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Team	Uzbekistan-217.90	India-210.250	Bangladesh-196.50
Ind	Inomov Izzatillo-UZB-73.95	Boysarov Alisher-UZB-71.05	Nishant Karndikar-India-70.60
Floor	Boysarov Alisher-UZB-12.50	Rajib Chakma-BAN-12.100	Pranav Kushwaha-India-12.067
PH	Rustamov Musul-UZB-11.600	Ambul Deniyage-SRI-11.300	Inomov Izzatillo-UZB-10.967
RR	Inomov Izzatillo-UZB-12.500	Isomov Khumoyun-UZB-12.467	Nishant Karandikar -Ind-11.433
Vault	Inomov Khumo -UZB-13.500	Pranav Kushwaha-India-12.267	Rajib Chakma-BAN-12.000
РВ	Inomov Izzatillo-UZB-12.733	Nishant Karandikar-Ind-12.200	Aayush-India-11.633
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AGU: MR. KAUSHIK BIDIWALA ATTENDED 21ST AGU CONGRESS AT TASHKENT 2021

The AGU Executive Committee Meeting was organized on September 30, and the General Assembly in Tashkent the capital city of Uzbekistan on October 1st, 2021. 12 AGU affiliated federations including Kaushik Bidiwala Treasurer GFI and FIG Council Member were present face to face and 16 federations online with video conference during the General Assembly meeting. Mr. Abdul Rahman Al-



Shathri, AGU President opened the meeting with a welcomed message of the attendees and specially the presence of Morinari Watanabe San – FIG President who is one of Asian Gymnastics family. In addition, he appreciated the invitation of Uzbekistan Gymnastics Federations to this Congress, and extended sincere thanks and gratitude, especially to the President of the Mr. Ruslan Mustaev, the Secretary General Mrs. Gyozal Filippova and of course all the people associate to this federation for their valuable cooperation with AGU. Then Mr. Ruslan Mustaev welcomed the delegates present in Tashkent and wished them all the best during the congress. The General Assembly (GA) has unanimously approved the agenda of the meeting and also approved the minutes of the last General Assembly Meeting held in Doha (Qatar) on December 16, 2018. Then presentation of the reports started with the AGU President by Mr. A-Rahman AL-SHATHRI followed by





East Asian Zone by Mr. Miao Zhongyi, Southeast Asian Zone by Mr. Srayuth Patanasak, Central South Asian Zone by Mr. Ruslan MUSTAEV, West Asian Zone by Mr. Ayad Najaf Elias, GfA Committee President by Mr. ARAKI Tatsuo, MAG –Technical Committee President by Mr. HAN Yoon Soo, WAG TC President by Mrs. Rima KIZILGUN, RG TC President by Mrs. Gyozal FILIPPOVA, TRA TC President by Dr. LIU Xing, AER TC President by Mrs. Tammy Yagi-Kitagawa, ACRO TC President by Mrs. Aigul DUKENBAYEVA. AGU presented the allocation of the AGU Events for 2021-24. The General Assembly has also unanimously approved Qatar Gymnastics Federation to host the AGU Congress 2022 which should be elective to renew the authorities. Kaushik Bidiwala also met Mr. Abdulrahman Al Shathri President Asian Gymnastics Union (AGU) and Mr. Morinari Watanabe President Federation de International Gymnastics (FIG) at Tashkent during the congress. Mr. Kaushik Bidiwala Secretary Gujrat Gymnastics Association welcomed Dr. Narender Dhruv Batra President IOA, IOC member and President International Hockey Federation (FIH) on behalf of Gujrat State Olympic Association during his recent visit at Ahmedabad on 9th October 2021.

KIA: WEST BENGAL GYMNASTICS ASSO FELICITATED TIDC MEMBERS 2021

71st West Bengal State Junior Artistic Gymnastics Championship was conducted by Patuli Central Club Kolkata from 30th October to 1st November 2021 under the aegis of West Bengal Gymnastics Association. WBGA invited the Talent Identification and Development Committee (TIDC) members as Guests in addition to the Junior State Artistic Gymnastics Championship. West Bengal Gymnastics Association felicitated Mr. B. S. Nandi Dronacharya Awardee, Dr. R. K. Pathania In-charge Operation. Mr. Surjit Singh SAI Chief Gymnastics Coach, Ms. Meenara Begum Former SAI Chief Gymnastics Coach, Mr. Mahendra Babhulkar Gymnastics Coach (Maharashtra) and Mr. Lakhan Manohar Sharma SAI Gymnastics Coach during the championship. WBGA also honored other coaches and judges' i. e. Mr. Dilip Das, Mr. Partho Pritim Banerjee, Ms. Ethna Anjana, Ms. Runa Das, Mr. Sankar Das Chaudhary, Ms. Gopa Das, Ms. Putul Srimani and many other Distinguished Gymnastics Dignitaries. West Bengal







Gymnastics Association also conducted Rhythmic Gymnastics State Championship for Junior Gymnasts at Garia Srirampur Kalyan Samity on 2nd November 2021.

KIA: KHELO INDIA ASSESSMENT CAMP AT SAI KOLKATA & NCOE DELHI 2021

Sports Authority of India organized Khelo India Assessment Camp at SAI Eastern Centre Salt Lake Kolkata from 25-27th October 2021 for 26 male gymnasts in first phase who were selected from Khelo India Youth Games or Junior National Championships in previous years. These tests based on performances and 16 selected battery of tests which were conducted by the Talent Identification and Development Committee (TIDC) consists of Mr. B. S. Nandi Dronacharya Awardee,



Dr. R. K. Pathania In-charge Operation, and Mr. J. P. Chakraborty and also assisted by few newly Gymnastics coaches who are undergoing for Internship. TIDC members also conducted above mentioned tests on another batch of 26 male gymnasts in second phase from 29-31st October 2021 at SAI Kolkata. Another Khelo India Assessment Camp for 72 Artistic & Rhythmic Gymnastics girls and 3 boys (Artistic

Gymnastics) was held at I G Stadium New Delhi in two phases from 7-9 November and 11-13 November 2021 under the supervision of TIDC members Mr. Nirbhaya Singh, Mr. Ratan Debnath, Dr. Kalpana Debnath (Arjun Awardee), Mr. Rohit Jaiswal SAI Chief Gymnastics Coach (NCOE Delhi) and High Performance Manager and assisted by SAI Gymnastics Coaches Mr. Sumit Makanariya, Ms. Konica Sharma and newly Gymnastics Coaches undergoing Internship such as Raja Roy, Rahul, Kirti, Mohit and Parul.





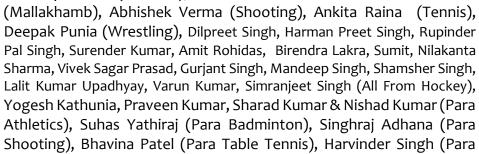
MYAS: COUNTRY'S HIGHEST NATIONAL SPORTS AWARDS 2021

The Union Sports Ministry has announced the list of winners of the Country's Highest National Sports Awards on 2nd November 2021, as per the recommendation of the **Selection** Committee headed by Retired Supreme Court judge Justice



Mukundakum Sharma on 28.10.2021. The announcement of the National Sports Awards was delayed by the Selection Committee in order to consider the performances of Para

Athletes in the Tokyo Paralympics which were held from August 25 to September 5, 2021. This was the first time in the history of awards that Twelve Athletes were conferred with the top accolades i. e Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Awards: Neeraj Chopra (Athletics), Ravi Dahiya (Wrestling), Lovlina Borgohain (Boxing), Manpreet Singh & PR Sreejesh (Hockey), Mithali Raj (Cricket), Sunil Chhetri (Football) who has become India's first footballer to receive the highest Khel Ratna Award, Avani Lekhra Manish Narwal (Para Shooting), Sumit Antil (Para Javelin), Pramod Bhagat & Krishna Nagar (Para Badminton). Earlier Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Awards was known as Rajib Gandhi Khel Ratna Award in which five athletes were honoured in 2020 and four athletes in 2016 were collectively honoured with this award. Arjuna Awards: Arpinder Singh (Athletics), Simranjit Kaur (Boxing), Shikhar Dhawan (Cricket), CA Bhavani Devi (Fencing), Vandana Kataria & Monika (Hockey), Sandeep Narwal (Kabaddi), Himani Uttam Parab



Archery). Dronacharya Awards (Lifetime Category): TP Quseph (Athletics), Sarkar Talwar (Cricket), Sarpal Singh (Hockey), Ashan Kumar (Kabaddi), Tapan Kumar Panigrahi (Swimming). Dronacharya Awards (Regular Category): Pritam Chiwach (Hockey), Pritam Siwach (Hockey), S. Raman (Table Tennis), Sandhya Gurung (Boxing), P. Radhakrishnan (Athletics). Major













Dhyan Chand Lifetime Achievement Award: Lekha K. C (Boxing), Abhijit Kunte (Chess), Devinder Garcha (Hockey), Vikas Kumar (Kabaddi), Sajjan Singh Cheema (Wrestling). Maulana Abdul Kalam Azad (MAKA) Trophy: Punjab University, Chandigarh. Rashtriya Khel Protsahan Puruskar 2021: 1.



Identification and Nurturing of Budding / Young Talent - Manav Rachna Educational Institution and 2. Encouragement to sports through Corporate Social Responsibility to Indian Oil Corporation Limited. These awards were conferred by His Excellency Ram Nath Kovind President of India at a specially organized function at the Darbar Hall of Rashtrapati Bhavan



on 13th November, 2021 (Saturday) at 16.30 hours on the 116th Birth Anniversary of Hockey Legend Major Dhyan Chand. The prize money for the Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award is ₹25 lakh, Arjuna Award is ₹15 lakh, and Dronacharya Award (Lifetime) Award is ₹15 lakh. The prize money for the winners of Dronacharya (Regular) and Major Dhyan Chand Lifetime Achievement Award is now ₹10 lakh.

IR: ALL INDIA RAILWAY'S GYMNASTICS COACHING CAMP AT AMBALA 2021

Railway Sports Promotion Board (RSPB) conducted an All India Railway Gymnastics Coaching Camp at War Heroes Indoor Stadium Ambala from 25th October to 18th November 2021 under the able guidance of Railway's Coaches Mr. Shekhar Bector, Mr. Praveen Sharma and Mr. Sarfraz Ahmed which was attended by 21 Gymnasts from Northern Railway, Western Railway, South Eastern Railway, Eastern Railway, NCR Railway, South Central



Railway, Central Railway and many other railway divisions. The camp responsibilities were with Mr. Vibhor Dutta as a Manager who is assisted by Mr. Kapil Kaushik. Mr. Anand Bist from Railway Sports Promotion Board was the over-all in charge of the camp and visited the training along with Mr. Ratan Debnath an International Gymnast of Indian Railways. The camp was conducted in preparation of physical fitness and participation in future incoming championships.

FIG: MORINARI WATANABE (JPN) RE-ELECTED AS FIG PRESIDENT FOR 2022-2024

Mr. Morinari Watanabe (JPN) has been re-elected as FIG President, for a three-year term (2022–2024), by the member Gymnastics federations at the 83rd FIG Congress meeting in Antalya, Turkey from 5-7th November 2021. Mr. Morinari Watanabe (62), who has been at the helm of the FIG since 1 January 2017 and was elected as a member of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) in 2018, obtained 81 votes, against 47 for Farid Gayibov (AZE), the only other candidate for the Presidency. Mr. C. Prabhakar Vice President GFI, Dr. Shanti Kumar Singh General Secretary GFI and Mr. Kaushik Bidiwala (India) FIG Council member also attended the above



congress. The election of the President was followed by the elections for the other FIG Authorities i. e. **THREE VICE-PRESIDENTS:** 1. Ali Al-Hitmi (QAT), 1st Vice-President, 2. Nellie Kim (BLR/re-elected), 2nd Vice-President, 3. Suat Celen (TUR), 3rd Vice-President. **SEVEN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE** (EC) MEMBERS: 1. Li Li Leung (USA), 2. Miao Zhongyi (CHN), 3. Maria Fumea (ROU), 4. Jani Tanskanen (FIN/re-elected), 5. Vassily Titov (RUS/Current Vice-President). 6. Youssef Al-Tabbaa (SYR/re-elected), 7. Alejandro Peniche (MEX), **TECHNICAL COMMITTEE AND GFA COMMITTEE**

PRESIDENTS: 1. Men's Artistic Gymnastics: Arturs Mickevics (LAT/re-elected), 2. Women's Artistic Gymnastics: Donatella Sacchi (ITA/re-elected), 3. Rhythmic Gymnastics: Noha Abou Shabana (EGY), 4. Trampoline Gymnastics: Christophe Lambert (FRA), 5. Acrobatic Gymnastics: Rosy Taeymans (BEL/re-elected), 6. Aerobic Gymnastics: Tammy Yagi-Kitagawa (JPN/re-elected) and 7. Gymnastics for All (GfA) Committee: Rogerio Valerio (POR). Newly re-elected FIG President Mr. Morinari Watanabe felicitated Mr. Kaushik Bidiwala (India) for his contributions in gymnastics with Bronze distinctions at the congress. International Federation de Gymnastics affiliated the Democratic Republic of the Congo (COD), Guam (GUM), Haiti (HAI), Lesotho (LES), Rwanda (RWA), Sierra Leone (SLE) and Togo (TOG) and are now part of the FIG. With these seven new affiliated





members, the FIG now totals 156 member federations – 154 affiliated members and two associated members. The National Gymnastics federations are invited to meet again in the next congress in October 2022 to be hosted at the state-of-the-art Oslofjord Convention Center, located near the city of Tonsberg in Norway.

MAGA: SELECTION TRIALS FOR JR. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS AT JAMMU 2021

Maharashtra Amateur Gymnastics Association (MAGA) conducted selection trials in Rhythmic Gymnastics & RG Khelo India at Vadgaon Budrak Pune-411041 on 9th November 2021 while Artistic Gymnastics and Khelo India trials were held at Shrawan Sports Academy Dombivali on 13th & 14th November 2021 for Boys and girls to select the Maharashtra State Gymnastics Teams in Rhythmic Gymnastics, Artistic Gymnastics (MAG & WAG) and Khelo India to participate in 56th Junior National Artistic Gymnastics and 25th Junior Rhythmic



Gymnastics Championships and Khelo India selection trials to be held at Jammu (J & K) from 22-26th November 2021. Total 32 girls in RG, 39 boys in MAG and 50 girls in WAG including Khelo India participants took part in the above selection Trials. The names of selected gymnasts, coaches & managers in Rhythmic Gymnastics, Artistic Gymnastics and Khelo India are as under

Gymnasts for Jr. National MAG. WAG & RG Gymnastics Championships, Jammu

SN	Designation	Men's ART Gymnastics	Women's ART Gymnastics	Rhythmic Gymnastics
1	Gymnast	Nishant Karndikar	Shrushti Bhavsar	Sanyukta Kale
2	Gymnast	Sarthak Rawool	Riya Kelkar	Kimaya Karle
3	Gymnast	Aryan Dawande	Devyani Kolte	Riya Khilare
4	Gymnast	Megh Roy	Anoushka Patil	-
5	Gymnast	Soham Dhole	Harshita Kakade	-
6	Coach	Mr. Subham Giri	Mr. R. V. Lokhande	Ms. Manasi Surve
7	Manager	Mr. Adwait Waingankar	Ms. Ketki Gokhale	Ms. Kshipra Joshi
8	Judge	Dr. Pankaj Kunde	Ms. Pranali Mandavkar	Ms. Pooja Surve

Gymnasts for Khelo India Selection Trials Jammu

SN	Designation	Men's ART Gymnastics	Women's ART Gymnastics	Rhythmic Gymnastics
1	Gymnast	Himanshu Mhatre	Kimaya Phulgaonkar	Ira Rawat
2	Gymnast	Aditya Prajapati	Arya Parab	Anvi Narvekar
3	Gymnast	Aadhyaan Desai	Suhani Adane	Swara Ghoghale
4	Gymnast	Varad Sawant	Gauri Kalane	Samika Thombre

ART: ARUN PATIL CONFERRED WITH KARNATAKA RATNA AWARD 2021

Mr. Arun Patil Former SAI Chief Gymnastics Coach is conferred with Karnataka Ratna Award by Government of Karnataka on 14th November 2021 for his immense contributions in the field of Gymnastics for dedicated 36 years. Mr. Arun Patil passed Regular Diploma Course in Gymnastics from NS NIS Patiala in 1980-81 and joined National Institute of Sports as Gymnastics Coach in 1981 just after passing out from NS NIS Patiala. He was the Coach of Junior Indian Men's Artistic Gymnastics team in 5th Jr. Asian ART & RG Championship at New Delhi from 1-5 March 1992 and also accompanied Mr. B. Ashok as a Coach in Commonwealth Gymnastics Test Event at Victoria Canada from 22-28 June 1993.



Mr. Patil produced many National and International Gymnasts from State of Karnataka. He also took keen interest in popularizing and developing Acrobatic Gymnastics in Karnataka and in the country too and is the back bone behind the Acrobatic Gymnastics.

SPORTS MINISTER HONORED OUTSTANDING SAI COACHES AND BEST ATHLETES

Hon'ble Minister Youth Affairs & Sports Shri Anurag Singh Thakur and Hon'ble MoS, Youth Affairs & Sports Shri Nisith Pramanik conferred the Institutional Award in the first ever Institutional Awards Ceremony 246 Outstanding and Best Athletes & Coaches of Sports Authority of India (SAI) which held at JN Stadium New Delhi on 17th November 2021 at 9.30 Hon'ble Sports Ministers honoured the excellence of SAI Coaches & Athletes and recognizes their contributions to Indian Sports in presence of Ms. Sujata Chaturvedi IAS Secretary Sports Government of India, Shri Sandeep Pradhan Director General SAI and many more sports dignitaries. The ceremony was attended by 162 best athletes and 84 SAI Coaches from different Sports Disciplines and from different schemes of SAI. The SAI Institutional Award comprises special tailor-made blazer along with a citation and a cash prize of Rs. 25,000/-. Three SAI Gymnastics Coaches i. e. Ms. Meenara Begum, Ms. Sampa Saini and Mr. Vishal Deep were also honoured with the First Ever Institutional Awards.







Maharashtra State Gymnastics Teams in Rhythmic Gymnastics and Artistic Gymnastics (MAG & WAG) along with their coaches and managers as mentioned above participated in 56th Junior National Artistic Gymnastics, 25th Junior Rhythmic Gymnastics Championships and also in Khelo India selection trials held at M. A. Stadium Jammu from 22-26th November



2021. Maharashtra Boys & Girls won Silver Medal in Artistic Gymnastics Team Championship and gold in RG Team Championship while Aryan Dawande won gold medals in Rings & Vault, silver in All Round, bronze medal in High Bar. Anoushka Patil won gold in Beam and Riya Kelkar won bronze in Vault. Sanyukta Kale won gold medals in All Round, Ball, Clubs, Ribbon and Silver in Hoop while Kimaya Karle won silver medals in Clubs, Ribbon and bronze medals



Gujrat, Haryana,
Himachal Pradesh,
Jammu & Kashmir,
Jharkhand, Karnataka,
Kerala, Maharashtra,
Manipur, Madhya
Pradesh, Odisha, Punjab,



Pradesh, Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan, Telangana, Tamil Nadu,





















Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, and West participated in the championship. Khelo India selection trials, in MAG, WAG, & RG for 4th Edition of Khelo India to be held in Ambala in February 2022, were also held along with these championships for the gymnasts who born on or after 1.1.2003. Jammu & Kashmir is emerging as one of the best gymnastics hub in India and it is the matter of pride in the history of Jammu & Kashmir that the first time Jr. National Championship in RG & Artistic Gymnastics are conducted in the city of temples. Government of Jammu & Kashmir is also working tirelessly to uplift the Sports Infrastructure for which Shri Jugal Kishore Sharma Member of Parliament (J & K) announced Rs. 1 Crore. Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor J & K (UT) Shri Manoj Sinha was the Chief Guest on the closing ceremony on 26th November 2021 who first opened the long awaited Gymnastics Academy of Jammu & Kashmir in presence of Shri Farooq Khan Hon'ble Advisor J & K which is











equipped with International Apparatus for both Artistic and Rhythmic Gymnastics and later, presented medals to the winners and also declared the 56th Jr. National Artistic Gymnastics Championships and 25th Jr. National Rhythmic Gymnastics Championship closed. Shri Ravinder Singh General Secretary Jammu & Kashmir Gymnastics Association presented the Vote of Thanks.

Final Results 56th Junior National Artistic Gymnastics Championship (WAG)

Event	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Team	West Bengal-140.45	Maharashtra-139.00	Delhi-136.10
Ind	Meharin Saj-Kerala- 37.60	Sukhnoor Preet Kaur-Pun-36.35	Anushka Jana-WB-36.15
Vault	Meharin Saj-Kerala- 11.800	Sukhnoor Preet Kaur-Pun-11.825	Riya Kelkar-MAH-11.800
U. Bars	Nishika Agarwal-Tel-8.10	Piyasa Kundu-WB-6.80	Sukhnoor Preet Kaur-Pun-6.65
Beam	Anoushka Patil-MAH-10.10	Sneha Tariyal-Delhi-10.10	Sanchita Majumdar-WB-9.70
Floor	Anushka Jana-WB-11.55	Nishika Agarwal-Tel-11.40	Meharin Saj-Kerala- 11.25

Final Results 56th Junior National Artistic Gymnastics Championship (MAG)

Event	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Team	Uttar Pradesh-273.85	Maharashtra-268.80	Delhi-257.80
Ind	Jatin Kr. Kanojia-UP-70.45	Aryan Dawande-MAH-69.10	Dipesh Lashkari-MP-69.05
Floor	Pranav Kushwaha-UP-12.05	Rajveer-Delhi-11.60	Sumit Dhali-Goa-11.40
PH	Pranav Mishra-UP-11.00	Jatin Kr. Kanojia-UP-10.85	Pritam Dey-WB-10.65
RR	Aryan Dawande-MH-11.65	Devendra Saini-Raj-11.55	Deepak Saini-Raj-11.55
Vault	Aryan Dawande-MH-11.525	Jatin Kr. Kanojia-UP-11.400	Rajveer-Delhi-11.325
PB	Dipesh Lashkari-MP-11.40	Thakor Naresh-Guj-11.05	Rajveer-Delhi-11.05
НВ	Dipesh Lashkari-MP-11.40	Sankshep Yadav-UP-11.15	Aryan Dawande-MH-11.80

Final Results 25th Junior National Rhythmic Gymnastics Championship (RG)

Event	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Team	Maharashtra-102.80	Jammu & Kashmir-92.30	Haryana-59.70
Ind	Sanyukta Kale-MAH-53.45	Muskan Rana-J&K-51.75	Kimaya Karle-MAH-48.00
Ноор	Muskan Rana-J&K-16.77	Sanyukta Kale-MAH-16.10	Kimaya Karle-MAH-10.75
Ball	Sanyukta Kale-MAH-17.50	Muskan Rana-J&K-15.10	Kimaya Karle-MAH-12.85
Clubs	Sanyukta Kale-MAH-15.65	Kimaya Karle-MAH-13.90	Muskan Rana-J&K-11.35
Ribbon	Sanyukta Kale-MAH-12.85	Kimaya Karle-MAH-11.55	Upasna Talukdar-Assam-10.30

SPORTS MINISTRY ADDS 7 FORMER SPORTS LEGENDS TO MISSION OLYMPICS

Minisry of Youth Affairs & Sports (MYAS) announced the New Mission Olympic Cell (MOC) on 1st December 2021 which comprises of 7 Former Sports Legends i. e. former Indian Football Captain Bhaichung Bhutia, World Athletics Championships long jump medallist Anju Bobby George, former Indian Hockey Captain Sardara Singh, Shooting Legend Anjali Bhagwat, Badminton Ace Trupti Murgunde, former Hockey Skipper and CEO of Olympic Gold Quest Viren Rasguinha, and Table Tennis Star Monalisa Barua Mehta to steer 2024 Paris Olympics preparation through the Target Olympics Podium Scheme (TOPS), an initiative of the













Sports Ministry. This has been done to accelerate India's progress on the Global Sports Stage. Olympian Sailor and Sports Science Specialist Malav Shroff, along with Adile Sumariwalla President Athletics Federation of India (AFI), Narinder Dhruv Batra President Indian Olympic Association, Union Minister Arjun Munda President Archery Association of India, Ajay Singh President Boxing Federation of India, Brij Bhushan Sharan Singh President Wrestling Federation of India, ED SAI teams and



Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS) and TOPS CEO Commodore Pushpendra Garg will all also be the part of the MOC which will be chaired by Sandip Pradhan Director General of Sports Authority of India (SAI). CEO and joint CEO of TOPS will act as the Convenor and Co-convenor of the MOC respectively. MOC has been set up to select athletes for financial assistance under the TOPS and prepare them for the 2024 Olympic Games. The Mission Olympic Committee (MOC) also focuses on the selection, exclusion, and retention of





athletes, coaches, training institutes that can receive Target Olympics Podium Scheme (TOPS) assistance.

ART: FIG ACADEMY IN MAG & WAG LEVEL-II AT TASHKENT (UZBEKISTAN) 2021



Uzbekistan Gymnastics Federation under the aegis of Asian Gymnastics Union (AGU) conducted FIG Academy Level-II in Men's Artistic Gymnastics and Women's Artistic Gymnastics at Tashkent (Uzbekistan) from 21-28th November 2021 in which total 12 gymnastics coaches in MAG and 10 in WAG from Malaysia (5), Iran (2), Qatar (4), Poland (1), Uzbekistan (2), Sri Lanka (1), Jordan (2) including Ms. Sanjivani Purnapatre (Mumbai), Ms. Bhakti Tewari (Mumbai), Mr. Rahul Sharma (Delhi) in WAG, Mr. Shinoj M

(Mumbai) and Mr. Shivraj G. Nanjunda (Bengaluru) in MAG from India participated in the above FIG Academy in MAG & WAG Leve-II Gymnastics Course at Tashkent (UZB). Mr. Pedro Almeida from Portugal was the leader of the course, Mr. Jacques Renson from Belgium was the Expert in MAG while Dr. Zsuzsanna Kalmar from Hungary was the Expert in WAG. Mr. Adrian from Poland topped in MAG while Ms. Sanjivani Purnapatre (India), a technical committee member of MAGA & GFI topped in the course in WAG with 84% marks followed by Ms. Bhakti Tewari with 76%, Mr. M. Shinoj with 59%, Mr. Rahul Sharma and Mr. Shivraj G. Nanjunda.



AWARD: 6TH SUDHIRDADA MEMORIAL KRIDA TAPASVI AWARD 2021

6th Sudhirdada Memorial Krida Tapasvi Award ceremony was organized by Poornawad Health and Sports Promotion Academy and Aurangabad District Gymnastics Association at MPP Sports Park on 6th December 2021. Shri Man Singh Pawar was the Chief Guest who honoured Senior Kho-Kho Guide and Activist Shri Vijay Ramchandra Lokhande with Sudhirdada Memorial Krida Tapasvi Award in presence of Shri Ganeshdada Parnerkar President of Poornawad Health and Sports Promotion Academy, Shri Krishna Bhoge Former Divisional Commissioner and Head of the Selection Committee, Dr. Makarand Joshi Secretary MAGA and Secretary Poornawad Health and Sports Promotion Academy and Advocate Gopal Pandey Head MPP Sports Park. The introduction of the ceremony was done by Dr. Makarand Joshi, who explained about the working of Poornawad Health and Sports Promotion Academy and the facilities available at MPP Sports Park. Shri Vijay Ramchandra Lokhande talked about the importance of discipline and hard work as important prospect of any Sportspersons career after being





awarded the Krida Tapasvi Award. Later, Shri Ganeshdada Parnerkar President Poornawad Health and Sports Promotion Academy lauded the leadership and talked about the Sports Culture created by Sudhirdada Joshi in Aurangabad. The ceremony was hosted by Shri Amrut Birade and Vote of Thanks was given by Shri Harshal Mogre Secretary Aurangabad District Gymnastics Association.

IOC: OLYMPIC MOTTO AMENDED & 2032 OLYMPICS ALLOTTED TO AUSTRALIA

The Olympic motto was amended to "faster, higher, stronger - together" during the International Olympic Committee's session in Tokyo on 20.7.2021 (Tuesday) as the world waited for the pandemic-hit Tokyo Games to begin on July 23. The word "together" after a hyphen has been added to the earlier motto, which was made up of three Latin words -- Citius, Altius, Fortius, translating to "Faster Higher Stronger" in English. IOC President Mr. Thomas Bach had suggested the motto should become "faster, higher,



stronger - together" in response to the COVID-19 crisis and now the motto will be read as 'Citius, Altius, Fortius – Communis' in Latin. The proposal to include the word together was made by IOC President Thomas Bach, which was endorsed by the body's Executive Board (EB) in April 2021. The Olympic motto was adopted with the launch of the Olympic Movement in 1894 at the urging of founder Pierre de Coubertin, who wanted a slogan that expressed excellence in sport. It was also supported by the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee.





The 2032 Summer Olympics, officially known as the Games of the XXXV Olympiad and commonly referred to as Brisbane 2032, is a forthcoming international multi-sport event scheduled to take place from 23 July to 8 August 2032, in Brisbane, Queensland, Australia. The winning bid was selected and announced by the International Olympic Committee on 21 July 2021 at Tokyo. Brisbane became the first host city to win an Olympic Games under the new bidding procedures. It will be the third Summer Games to be held in Australia after the 1956 Summer Olympics in Melbourne, Victoria and the 2000 Summer Olympics in Sydney, New South Wales. It will also be the second Summer Games to be held in a Southern Hemisphere winter, after the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro.

OBITUARY: FIRST CHIEF OF DEFENCE STAFF GENERAL BIPIN RAWAT IS NO MORE

India's first-ever chief of Defence Staff (CDS) General Bipin Rawat, his wife Ms. Madhulika Rawat and 11 brave soldier's i. e. Brig Lakhwinder Singh Lidder, Lt Col Harjinder Singh, Wing Commander Pruthavi Singh Chauhan, Squadron Leader Kuldip Singh, NK Gursewak Singh, NK Jitendra Kumar, L/Naik Vivek Kumar, L/Naik B Sai Teja, JWO Rana Pratap Das, JWO Arakal Pradip & Havildar Satpal died in a Mi-17V5 Helicopter Crash in a forested





area in the Niligris District of Tamil Nadu on 8th December 2021 around 12.20 pm is an irreparable loss to the nation. Maharashtra Amateur Gymnastics Association (MAGA) prays to God to give peace to the departed souls and strength to their family members to bear the grief.

MAGA: GFI AFFILIATES MAHARASHTRA AMATEUR GYMNASTICS ASSOCIATION



Gymnastics Federation of India (GFI) affiliated Maharashtra Amateur Gymnastics Association vide its letter no. Prgfi/SGA/Nov/23/1 dated 23rd November 2021 with its Dynamic President Shri





Sanjay Shete and Hardworking General Secretary Dr. Makarand Joshi. All the correspondence with regards to Gymnastics in Maharashtra should be signed either by the President or the General Secretary or any other authorized person of Maharashtra Amateur Gymnastics Association (MAGA) as mentioned in the GFI Certificate. A long pending affiliation of MAGA is great achievement in the benefit of young gymnasts which is recognized by GFI after a big struggle in the field of Maharashtra Gymnastics.

HOA: NEW EXECUTIVE BODY OF HARYANA OLYMPIC ASSOCIATION 2021

The Elections of Haryana Olympic Association (HOA) were held at Panchkula after a long period of 7 years on Sunday 12.12.2021 in which about 63 voters from different state associations, district commissioners and others cast their votes to constitute a new and strong organization like Haryana Olympic Association. A big change took place in the elections of HOA. The Returning Officer conducted free and fair elections in presence of Observer from IOA and Observer from DR Office and declared the results of the elected candidates for the different posts of HOA at 5.00 pm. Haryana Sports Minister and Former Captain Indian Hockey Team Shri Sandeep Singh, Former Minister Shri Manish Grover and Dr. Devendra Singh IAS were declared unanimously as President, Treasurer and General Secretary respectively. The election of these great personalities will give a great boost to the Haryana Sports. Elections were also held for the posts of 9 Vice-Presidents and 3 Joint Secretaries which were won by as Vice-President Advocate Ved Pal, Mrs. Rani Tewari, Shri Suraj Pal Ammu President Karni Sena, Md. Shayin IAS, Shri Asheem Goyal MLA, Shri Mahendra Kumar, Shri Ram Niwas Hudda, Shri Vikramjit Singh and Col. Ashok Mor Director RAI Sports School while Shri Juginder Singh, Shri Anil Khatri and Shri Neeraj Tomar







were elected as Joint secretaries. Shri Raj Kamal, Shri Ramadeep, Shri Nishant Kumar Yadav, Col. Raj Pal Singh Aluwalia, Shri Vikram and Shri Balbir Singh were elected as members of Executive Committee.

OBITUARY: TRAGIC END OF A TALENTED GYMNAST SOMESHWAR SINGH RANA

Someshwar Singh Rana popularly known as Sumit Rana (6.2.1993) a former national champion breathed his last after fall on his neck during practice session on Tuesday 14th December 2021. Someshwar Singh Rana was the younger brother of an International Gymnast Aditya Singh Rana. He was performing Double Front Salto on floor and unfortunately fell on his neck and this incident brought the end of an ever-smiling and talented gymnast. Someshwar Singh Rana (28) clinched silver medal in Pommel Horse in the 49th Junior National Championship at Cuttack (Odisha) in 2009 and also represented India in the 11th Junior Asian Gymnastics Championship at Chiba Japan in March 2010 where Indian School team was ranked at 5th place and he individually ranked at 24th place. Someshwar also won silver medal in Individual Championship in the 51st Junior National Championship at Bengaluru in January 2011 and a bronze medal in Floor. He joined Indian Navy as Chief Petty Officer (CPO) in 2014 and was the member of the gold medal winning Services team in 55th Senior National Gymnastics Championship at Gurgaon in March 2016. Earlier, he was trained for 10 years at National Sports Academy Prayagraj before joining the Indian Navy. Indian Navy also paid last respect to a Braveheart and Emerging Gymnasts Someshwar Singh Rana with Full Services Honour. President and all the Members of Maharashtra Amateur Gymnastics Association (MAGA) pay heartfelt tributes to the departed soul



and pray God to give strength to his family members to bear this irreparable loss. President Morinari Watanabe and Secretary General Nicolas Buompane of Fédération Internationale de Gymnastique (FIG)







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We can only express our sincere condolences through words which may seem j compared to the less of your believed one. With all our sympathy.





also paid their sincere condolences to the departed soul of Sumit Rana, who lost his life during gymnastics training session.

ART: FIG ACADEMY IN MAG & WAG LEVEL-III AT TASHKENT (UZBEKISTAN) 2021

Uzbekistan Gymnastics Federation under the aegis of Asian Gymnastics Union (AGU) hosted FIG Academy Level-III in Men's Artistic Gymnastics and Women's Artistic Gymnastics at Tashkent (Uzbekistan) from 13-19th December 2021 in which only 9 gymnastics coaches in



MAG / WAG from 6





federations i. e. Australia, Hong Kong, Israel, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan including Ms. Suparna Das in WAG and Mr. Prabodhan Dongaonkar in MAG from India participated due to travel restrictions in the above FIG Academy Leve-III in Men's / Women's Artistic Gymnastics Courses at Tashkent (UZB). The FIG experts Mr. Andrei Levit (POL) and Ms. Konstantin Brodetskiy (KAZ) took the practical sessions for MAG and WAG respectively while Ms. Mayya

Filippova (UZB) was responsible for choreography and Lourenco Franca (POR) for the theory lectures. Ms. Suparna Das (India) successfully completed the course in Women Artistic Gymnastics with 80% marks and was at the second place in the course while Mr. Prabodhan Dongaonkar completed the course with 60% in MAG.



OBITUARY: GR. CAPTAIN VARUN SINGH FROM HELICOPTER CRASH IS NO MORE

Group Captain Varun Singh, who was the lone survivor from IAF helicopter crash that claimed the lives of First Indian CDS General Bipin Rawat, his wife and others, passed away at IAF Command Hospital Bengaluru on 15th December 2021 after struggling bravely with his life for 7 long days. Varun Singh was conferred the Shaurya Chakra in August 2021 served the nation with pride, valour and utmost professionalism. MAGA prays for eternal peace for the departed soul.



MOC: 20 SPORTSPERSONS ADDED TO TOPS LIST FOR 2024 PARIS OLYMPICS

The planning and preparation for the 2024 Olympic Games in Paris started much earlier. The MOC, which was re-constituted on 1st December 2021 met for the first time after the Tokyo Olympics 2021, included seven more former international athletes from the Khelo India Scheme and are among the



new inductees to the TOPS Development Group. A total of 148, including 20 new athletes in seven Olympic i. e. cycling, sailing, shooting, swimming, table tennis, weightlifting, and wrestling and six Paralympic disciplines i. e. archery, athletics, badminton, shooting, swimming, table tennis, have been identified for support under the Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS) at a meeting of the Mission Olympic Cell (MOC) of Sports Ministry on 13th December 2021. The MOC is the dedicated body established to identify and assist TOPS athletes which again added 50 more athletes in the core group and 143 in the development group across eight disciplines in its meeting held on 23rd January 2021. The MOC has now increased the total count of TOPS athletes to 291, including 102 in the core group in as many as 13 Olympic disciplines and six Paralympic disciplines for support in their preparation for Paris 2024. Some other sports like equestrian, golf, gymnastics, judo and tennis will be taken up later.

ART: GOLD TO ARUNA BUDDA REDDY AT PHARAOHS INTERNATIONAL EGYPT 2021

Aruna Budda Reddy with her Coach Mr. Manoj Rana represented India in the Pharaohs Cup International Artistic Gymnastics Tournament which was held at Cairo Egypt from 17-19th December 2021. She gave a fabulous performance on Floor and Vault and led to the podium with gold medals in both the events.





Egyptian Pharaohs Cup was organized in Men's Artistic Gymnastics and Women's Artistic Gymnastics in which many countries participated and Aruna brought the glorious moments for herself as well as for the country too when the National Anthem was played to Aruna's Gold medal win which was a proud moment for all of us. Congratulations Aruna.

AERO: AEROBIC GYMNASTICS & FITNESS AEROBICS AT CHANDRAPUR 2021

Mr. Durgaraj Ramteke and Dr. Sanghpal Naranware of Physical Education Foundation of Chandrapur District organized a two days Aerobics Gymnastics and Fitness Aerobics Training Camp at Murlidhar Patil Gundawar Mangal Karyalaya on 18th & 19th December 2021 which was attended by more than 100 aerobic gymnasts. Central Human Rights Organization New Delhi (Vidarbha State) President and District Organizer of N. Thilak Karate School International Chandrapur Dr. Ankush Aglave was the Chief Guest who asserted in his inaugural address that "ग्रजींनी घ्यावे असे धडे, आपला आदर्श घेऊन प्ढे, विद्यार्थी तयार होतील चह्कडे, राष्ट्र होईल तेजस्वी" he focused on this motto of Rashtrasant to shape today's youth and students are the bright future of the country. He also said that the players from Bhadravati should make the world famous. This camp was guided by Dr. Makarand Joshi General Secretary MAGA and Dr. Umesh Rathi. The program was presided over by Prof. Dushyant Nagarale and other guests were PSI Gopal Bharti, Sneha Ganveer, Chhaya Das, Varsha Dhanorkar, Jyoti Das, Alka Motghare, Sarita Malu, Bandu Derkar, Damodar Dohtare, Dilip Modak etc. (Source: Prof. Nilesh Joshi, Jalgaon)







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