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NATIONAL SPORTS DAY 2021

BRIEF REPORT

Introduction

The celebration of National Sports Day in India was commenced in the year 2012. In India, National Sports Day is celebrated on 29th August every year to commemorate the birth anniversary of hockey legend Major Dhyan Chand Singh popularly known as the 'Hockey Wizard' and 'The Magician'. Major Dhyan Chand was born on August 29, 1905. He was the Indian hockey squad member that won gold medals in three successive Olympics: 1928, 1932 and 1936 Summer Olympics at Amsterdam, Los Angeles and Berlin respectively. He began his hockey career with the regimental squad of the British Indian Army. Because of his passion for the sport, he was given the title Dhyan Chand, "Chand" means Moon. On this day sports celebrities in their respective disciplines has been honoured for their outstanding achievements at National & International mega sports events. This is a platform for an assessment and evaluation of Indian Sports on International market.

Padma Bhushan Major Dhyan Chand represented India in 185 matches and scored over 400 goals during his career, which stretched from 1926 to 1948. In 1956, the Indian government bestowed upon him the Padma Bhushan, the country's third-highest civilian honor. On December 3, 1979, Dhyan Chand left this world. The Indian Postal Department paid tribute to Major Dhyan Chand after his death and renamed the National Stadium of Delhi as Major Dhyan Chand Stadium, Delhi. In the year 2012, Govt. of India has announced to celebrate the National Sports Day in India as a tribute to Major Dhayan Chand on his birth anniversary on 29th August.

First time in the history of Sikkim, Department of Sports & Youth Affairs under the visionary leader of Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri P. S. Gelay and Hon'ble Minister of Sports & Youth Affairs Shri Kunga Nima Lepcha celebrated National Sports day through virtual mode on **29th August 2020** and on this occasion, the highest achievers sports coaches in different sports disciplines have been awarded with a letter of appreciation by the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Shri P. S. Tamang along with the presence of the Hon'ble Sports Minister Shri Kunga Nima Lepcha.

National Sports Day 2021

The Department of Sports and Youth Affairs, Government of Sikkim organized the National Sports Day on 29th August 2021 at Samman Bhawan, Gangtok. The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Sikkim, Shri Prem Singh Tamang (Goley) was kind enough to grace the function as the Chief Guest. The Hon'ble Minister of Sports & Youth Affairs Department, Shri Kunga Nima Lepcha attended the function as the Guest of Honour.

The Hon'ble Minister for UD&HD, Shri Arun Upreti, Hon'ble Minister for the Forest and Wildlife Management Departments, Shri Karma Loday Bhutia, Hon'ble Advisor for SYA, Shri Megnath Subba, Hon'ble Political Secretary to CM, Shri Jacob Khaling, Hon'ble Chairperson for the Khadi Board, Mrs. Chung Chung Bhutia were also attended the functions as the Special Guests.

The other dignitaries who were present in the functions were Shri S.D. Dhakal, Secretary to HCM, Mrs. T. Kizom, Secretary to HCM, Shri D. B. Rawath Secretary Cultural Department, Shri Raju Basnet Secretary SYA, Shri Rajiv Subba Chief Engineer SYA, Mrs. Suchitra Thapa Special Secretary SYA, Mrs. Doma Tshering Bhutia Director SYA, Mrs. Milan Pradhan Additional Chief Engineer, others officers of SYA, technical officials from Doordarshan Gangtok, technical officials from NIC Gangtok, press & media representatives of SKM Darpan, Sikkim Chronicle, Voice of Sikkim, Summit Times, Sikkim Express and Hamro Varda .

Olympian Shri Tarundeep Rai and National Boxing Coach, Mrs. Sandhya Gurung were the special invitees on the National Sports day programme.

The programme was webcasted through NIC Gangtok, Mangan, Gyalshing and Namchi by maintaining the COVID protocol. All the District officers, staff, eminent sports persons, members of State Sports Associations and Sports Clubs were attended the function from their respective District NIC centres through virtual mode.

President of Sikkim Olympics Association (SOA) Shri Kuber Bhandari, Arjun Awardee Shri Jaslal Pradhan, representatives of various sports associations, officers, coaches and staffs of the East District SYA were attended the programme at NIC, Gangtok.

In the welcome speech, Shri Raju Basnet, Secretary Sports & Youth Affairs Department, expressed his gratitude to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Shri P.S. Tamang (Goley) for his wholehearted supports to the Sports Department and his present on the programme even in pandemic situation. He also expresses his gratitude to the Hon'ble Minister, Shri Kunga Nima Lepcha and all the Cabinet Ministers, Advisor, Chairperson for their presence on the functions. He also welcomed and extended his gratitude to Secretaries from various Departments, Olympian Tarundeep Rai, National Boxing Coach, Smt. Sandhya Gurung, Presidents and General Secretaries of Sikkim Olympics Association, others Sports Associations, Cash Incentive Awardees of different sports discipline and press & media for their benevolent present on the functions.

The Hon'ble Minister for Sports & Youth Affairs, Shri Kunga Nima Lepcha highlighted the sports activities of the Department since the formation of new Government under the visionary leadership of Shri P.S. Tamang. On the behalf of Department, the Hon'ble Minister extends his gratitude to the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Sikkim for his supports and giving top priority on sports activities.



The Department of Sports & Youth Affairs released the short video films on the sports achievements of Olympian Shri Tarundeep Rai and National Boxing Coach, Mrs. Sandhya Gurung before felicitating them. The video was made by the Department with the technical supports of Doordarshan, Gangtok.



On National Sports Day 2021 at Samman Bhawan, Mr. Tarundeep Rai (Archer) for participating in the Tokyo Olympics Games 2020 and Mrs. Sandhya Gurung (State Boxing Coach) for being a part of the coaching team of Miss Lovlina Borgohain who secured bronze medal in the Tokyo Olympics Games 2020 was felicitated. During the facilitation programme, Mrs. Doma Tshering Bhutia, Director, Department of Sports and Youth Affairs read out the appreciation letters of Shri Tarundeep Rai and Mrs. Sandhya Gurung.

Shri Tarundeep Rai and Mrs. Sandhya Gurung were also awarded cash incentive of Rs. 5 lakh and Rs. 3 lakh respectively by the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Government of Sikkim Shri P. S. Goley.

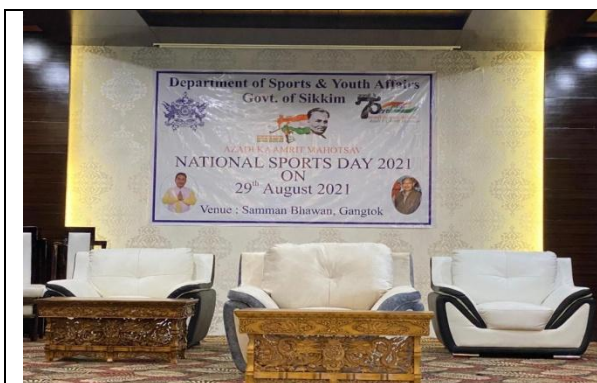
Three times Olympian, Shri Tarundeep Rai was the first Indian Archer who won silver medal in 16th Asian Games held at Guangzhou, China in 2010. In his professional Archery career, Tarundeep has participated the World Championships, Commonwealth Game and Asian Games. His achievements in the field of Archery at National and International level brought the glory to Sikkim and India. Government of India bestowed upon him the Padmashree and Arjuna Awards for his valuable contributions in the field of Archery. He was a member of Indian Archery Team for Tokyo Olympics Games 2020.

Mrs. Sandhya Gurung is a National Boxing Coach under Boxing Federation of India (BFI) since last five years. Her passionate and hard works towards the coaching and training proved her coaching efficiency at International level as a result; Ms. Lovlina Borgohain won the Bronze Medal on recently concluded Tokyo Olympics Games 2020.

While addressing the gathering, Mr. Tarundeep Rai and Mrs. Sandhya Gurung have thanks to the Government of Sikkim and Sports Department for giving the honour on this special occasion.

The programme was organized with limited dignitaries by maintaining strict COVID19 protocol at the venue.

Glimpses of preparation for National Sports Day 2021 at Samman Bhawan and Districts NIC Centres on 28.08.2021:



Main Stage with Banner at Samman Bhawan during preparation on 28.08.2021



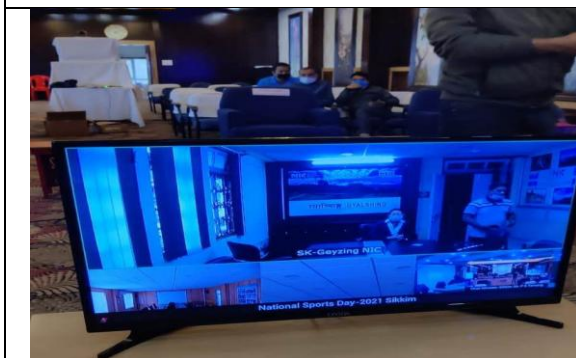
Preparation at Samman Bhawan on 28.08.2021



Final Testing for Webcast from four District NIC Centres



Preparation at NIC Gyalshing on 28.08.2021



Testing for Webcast at NIC Gyalshing



Testing for Webcast at NIC Namchi

Glimpse of National Sports Day 2021 at Samman Bhawan on 29th August 2021:



Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri P. S. Tamang with Cabinet Ministers



Mrs. Sandhaya Gurung, Assistant Coach (Boxing) receiving Cash Award of Rs. 3 Lakh from HCM



Shri Tarundeep Rai (Olympian) receiving cash award of Rs. 5 Lakh from HCM



Mrs. Sandhaya Gurung, Assistant Coach (Boxing) receiving felicitation certificate



Shri Tarundeep Rai (Olympian) receiving felicitation certificate from HCM



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Cash incentive award to meritorious sports persons

On the occasion of National Sports Day Celebration on 29th August 2021 at Samman Bhawan, Gangtok, the cash incentives award for the year 2020-21 to 25 meritorious sports persons were also given by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Sikkim, Shri Prem Singh Tamang. The

list of the medal winners in different sports disciplines and different level of tournament/ games/competitions are as under:

Sl. No.	Name of Sport persons	Discipline	Competition	Achievement	Amount (In Rs.)
1.	Mr. Norbu Zangpo Bhutia	Football	65 th National School Games 2019-20 from 29 th Jan to 02 nd Feb 2020 at Agartala, Tripura	Silver Jr. Team	25000
2.	Miss. Sakima Rai	Kick Boxing	WAKO India Kick Boxing Federation Cup 2018-19 from 24 th to 28th March 2019,Pune, Maharastra.	Gold Jr. Indv.	75000
3.	Mr. Dinesh Rai	Kick Boxing	WAKO India Kick Boxing Federation Cup 2018-19 from 24 th to 28th March 2019,Pune, Maharastra	Gold Sr. Indv.	75000
4.	Mr. Anurodh Rai	Kick Boxing	WAKO India Kick Boxing Federation Cup 2018-19 from 24 th to 28th March 2019, Pune, Maharashtra.	Gold Sub-Jr. Indv.	50000
5.	Mr. Mukesh Chettri	Kick Boxing	WAKO India Senior National Kick Boxing Champ 2019 from 18 th to 21 st July 2019 at Rothak, Haryana	Silver Sr. Indv.	50000
6.	Miss. Mandira Karki	Kick Boxing	WAKO India Senior National Kick Boxing Champ 2019 from 18 th to 21 st July 2019 at Rothak, Haryana	Gold Sr. Indv.	75000
7.	Miss. Meeke Hangma Limboo	Kick Boxing	WAKO India National Kickboxing Championship 2019 from17 th to 20 Sept.2019 at Karimnagar, Telangana.	Gold Jr. Indv.	75000
8.	Mr. Mingso Hang Limboo	Kick Boxing	WAKO India National Kickboxing Championship 2019 from17 th to 20 Sept.2019 at Karimnagar, Telangana.	Gold Jr. Ind	75000
9.	Mr. Suyem Limboo	Kick Boxing	WAKO India National Kickboxing Championship 2019 from17 th to 20 Sept.at Karimnagar, Telangana.	Gold Sub-Jr. Indv.	50000
10.	Miss. Anjali Subba	Kick Boxing	WAKO India National Kickboxing Championship 2019 from17 th to 20 Sept. 2019 at Karimnagar, Telangana.	Gold Jr. Indv.	75000

11.	Miss. Srijana Subba	Kick Boxing	WAKO India National Kickboxing Championship 2019 from 17 th to 20 Sept. 2019 at Karimnagar, Telangana.	Bronze Sub-Jr. Indv.	20000
12.	Miss. Samiksha Rai	Kick Boxing	WAKO India National Kick Boxing Federation Cup 2018-19, from 24 th to 28 th March 2019 at Pune, Maharashtra.	Gold Sub-Jr. Indv.	50000
13.	Mr. Pema Dorjee Bhutia	Strength lifting	7 th International Strength lifting & Incline Bench –Press Champ. 2019 at Karmazari from 17 to 20 th Jan 2019.	Gold Sr. Indv.	300000
14.	Mr. Santosh Gupta	Strength lifting	6 th International Incline bench press champ 2018- 7 th April to 10 th April 2018 at Bali Indonesia.	Bronze Sr. Indv.	100000
15.	Mrs. Kalpana Chettri	Strength lifting	7 th International Strength lifting & Incline Bench –Press Champ 2019 at Karmazari from 17 th Jan to 20 th Jan 2019.	Gold Sr. Indv.	300000
16.	Mr. Ganesh Kumar Subba	Strength lifting	7 th International Strength lifting & Incline Bench –Press Champ 2019 at Karmazari from 17 th Jan to 20 th Jan 2019.	Silver Sr. Indv.	200000
17.	Ms. Edu Tshering Bhutia	Strength lifting	7 th International Strength lifting & Incline Bench –Press Champ 2019 at Karmazari from 17 th Jan to 20 th Jan 2019.	Gold Sr. Indv.	300000
18.	Mr. Wangdup Tamang	Strength lifting	7 th International Strength lifting & Incline Bench –Press Champ 2019 at Karmazari from 17 th Jan to 20 th Jan 2019.	Silver Sr. Indv.	200000
19.	Ms. Madhu Mahal Majhi	Strength lifting	28 th National Strengthlifting & IBD Champ 2019 held on 28 th to 31 th March 2019 by Punjab Strength lifting Assoc.	Gold Sr. Indv.	75000
20.	Mr. Hissey Zangpo Bhutia	Strength lifting	28 th National Strengthlifting & IBD Champ 2019 held on 28 th to 31 th March 2019 by Punjab Strength lifting Association	Silver Sr. Indv.	50000
21.	Mr. Kalzang Sangay Bhutia	Strength lifting	28 th National Strengthlifting & IBD Champ 2019 held on 28 th to 31 th March 2019 by Punjab Strength lifting Assoc.	Gold Sr. Indv.	75000
22.	Mr. Pahalman Limboo	Strength lifting	28 th National Strengthlifting & BD Champ 2019 held on 28 th to 31 th March 2019 by Punjab Strength lifting Association.	Bronze Sr. Indv.	30000

23.	Mr. Thinlay Wangdi Bhutia	Strength lifting	7 th International Strength lifting & Incline Bench –Press Champ 2019 at Karmazari from 17 th Jan to 20 th Jan 2019.	Gold Sr. Indv.	300000
24.	Miss. Pandi Targain	Body Building	52 Asian Body Building and PhysiqueSports Championship 2018 at Pune from 2 nd to 8 th October 2018	Silver Sr. Indv.	150000
25.	Miss. Prava Gajmer	Boxing	4 th Junior Girls & 3 rd Junior Boys National Boxing Championships 2021 at Delhi Public School, Sonepat from 26-31 July, 2021	Bronze Jr. Indv.	30000
				Total	2805000

(Rupees Twenty Eight Lakhs Five Thousand) Only

Glimpse of Cash Incentive Award:





Blessing of Hon'ble Chief Minister

In the blessing speech of the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Shri P. S. Tamang, on National Sports Day function, said that he loves Games & Sports and sports person. The State Government will leave no stone unturned for the promotion of sports activities in Sikkim. Due to COVID pandemics, the situation has not been permitted to carry out the mega sports activities but as soon as situation becomes normal, the sports activities will back to platform as usual. He informed that the Government has focused to complete all the pending projects of Sports infrastructures of four Districts. Bhaichung Stadium at Namchi in South Sikkim will be inaugurated soon. The Hon'ble Chief Minister informed that during his official visits to Delhi, Hon'ble Union Minister, Shri Anurag Thakur has been invited to inaugurate the Bhaichung Stadium. He also stressed to focus the club cultures in every village by quoting the example of football culture of Brazil. He said that sports have bright future in coming generation, and advised the young athletes to focus on sports with discipline, dedication and dutiful manner.

The Hon.ble Chief Minister expresses his happiness and congratulates to Tarundeep Rai and Mrs. Sandhya Gurung for their exemplary achievements and services in their fields. On this

special occasion, Hon'ble Chief Minister also congratulates to all the Indian contingents especially medals winners in Tokyo Olympics 2020 on the behalf of Sikkimese people.



Historical Announcement made by the HCM

On the occasion of National Sports Day 2021, at Samman Bhawan on 29.08.2021, the Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Prem Singh Tamang has made the following historical announcement.

1. Sikkim Archery Academy in the name of Olympian Shri Tarundeep Rai will be established in Sikkim.
2. Sports person will be awarded with the **"State Sports Award"** on Independence Day (15th August) from the next year 2022 for National and International sports arena as:

i) State Sports Gold Medal Award	= Rs. 5 Lakhs
ii) State Sports Silver Medal Award	= Rs. 3 Lakhs
iii) State Sports Bronze Medal Award	= Rs. 2 Lakhs
3. An amount of rupees five lakhs to Olympian Tarundeep Rai, and rupees three lakhs to National Boxing Coach, Mrs. Sandhya Gurung has been given by the HCM, Shri P.S. Tamang as a token of love. Before the Tokyo Olympics Games, Hon'ble Chief minister has also given an amount of rupees five lakhs to Shri Tarundeep Rai as personal expenditures.
4. Bhaichung Stadium at Namchi will be inaugurated soon.
5. He stressed to focus the club cultures in every village by quoting the football culture of Brazil in every corner.

Special Secretary, Department of Sports & Youth Affairs Mrs. Suchitra Rasaily (Thapa) delivered the Vote of thanks to the HCM, Shri P.S. Tamang (Goley) for giving his valuable time for the programme and his love and affection to Games and Sports. She thanks to Hon'ble Minister for Sports & Youth Affairs Department Shri Kunga N. Lepcha for his cooperation and motivation for the Department in all the time. She expressed thanks to all the Cabinet Ministers, Advisor, Political Secretary to HCM, Chairperson, Secretary to HCM, Secretary to Cultural Department, Secretary to Sports, Chief Engineer and Director of Sports Department, Special invitees, Olympian Tarundeep Rai, National Boxing Coach, Mrs. Sandhya Gurung, officers of Samman Bhawan, President Sikkim Olympics Association and its Executive Members, Athletes, NIC team

of Gangtok, Namchi, Gyalshing & Mangan, Doordarshan Gangtok, Press & Electronic Medias, and officers and staffs of the SYA for their valuable supports and contribution to made this function successful.

National Sports Day 2021 at Namchi

The Department of Sports and Youth Affairs, Namchi, South Sikkim has also observed the National Sports Day 2021 at Namchi on 29.08.2021. On this occasion the Department has organized 20 KM Cyclothon, flagged off from Central Park to Bhanjang and back to Central Park finishing point, to commemorate the birth anniversary of Indian Hockey legend Major Dhyan Chand. In the cyclothon 29 cyclist were participated. Shri Satish Chandra Rai, Hon'ble Advisor for Skill Development Department, Government of Sikkim graced as the Chief Guest and flag off the cyclothon. The programme concluded with the distribution of medals and certificates to the winners and participants by the Chief Guest.



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