

Khelo Jammu I-Day Cup Chess Tournney
Naisha Handoo wins Gold in U-10 category

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JAMMU: Surinder Gupta emerged winner of the Khelo Jammu Independence Day Cup Chess Tournament, organized by the Vivek Chess Academy (VCA) here today. Surinder topped the six-round competition with 5.5 points, while Mitansh Magotra secured second place with five points. Amrita Gupta finished third with 4.5 points, followed by Krishna Gandotra in fourth place with 4.5 points and Gaurav Kumar in fifth with four points.

In the Under-15 boys category, Ayaansh Abrol



bagged the gold medal with four points, while Gulshan Kumar finished second with 3.5 points and Manoj Mahajan secured third place with three points. The Under-13 boys title went to Aryan

Thakur, who scored 4.5 points. Aryaveer Parihaar finished second with 3.5 points, while Atharv Kesar claimed third place with 3.5 points.

In the Under-13 girls cat-

egory, Pearl Thothla secured the top position with two points, followed by Bhargavi Kapoor in second place and Ruby Kumari in third. In the Under-10 boys category, Pranjanya Mahajan won the gold medal with 3.5 points, while Triyam Gupta secured silver with two points and Ayaansh Puthia won bronze with 1.5 points.

Naisha Handoo emerged winner in the Under-10 girls category with three points. Namyia Gupta also scored three points to finish second, while Raesha Thothla secured third place with 2.5 points.

A total of 30 young chess

players, including boys and girls, participated in the day-long six-round tournament conducted under the FIDE Swiss system. The tournament witnessed competitive contests across different age categories, with players displaying promising skills and fighting spirit.

The winners were presented prizes worth Rs 2,600 by Vivek Bharti, Director of the Vivek Chess Academy, and Stuti Gupta, National Senior Arbiter and Chief Arbiter of the tournament. Stuti Gupta supervised the proceedings and used the latest Swiss pairing software for the tournament.



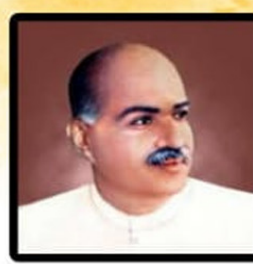
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