

Sports News for IDBI JAM CA NBCC

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MULTI-SPORT GAMES & NATIONAL EVENTS

Khelo India Events

- **7th Khelo India Youth Games 2025:**
 - Held across Bihar (Patna, New Delhi, Rajgir, Begusarai, Gaya, Bhagalpur).
 - Inaugurated by PM Modi on May 4; Mascot: Gajsimha.
 - Top State: Maharashtra (158 medals), Haryana (2nd), Rajasthan (3rd).
 - Fastest runners: Kadir Khan (400m, UP), Aditya Pisale (100m, Maharashtra).
 - Theme song: "Khel ke Rang Bihar Ke Sang"; Torch relay: 38 districts (April 15–May 2).
 - Participants: ~8,500 athletes, 1,500 staff; Events: 28 sports.
 - Logo/Theme: Orange-green motif; Mascot inspired by Pala period sculpture.
- **Khelo India Beach Games 2025:**
 - 1st-ever edition; Location: Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu (May 19–24, 2025).
 - Top state: Manipur (14 medals: 5 gold, 6 silver, 3 bronze), 2nd Maharashtra (20 medals).
 - Significance: 4th Khelo India event of the year (after Winter, Para, Youth Games).
- **Khelo India Winter Games 2025:**
 - 5th edition, two legs:
 - January 23–27: Ladakh (ice events)
 - March 9–12: Gulmarg, J&K (snow events)
 - Total: 400+ athletes, 19 teams, 6 sports, 136 medals.
 - Medal Tally:
 1. Indian Army (18: 7G, 5S, 6B)
 2. Himachal Pradesh (18: 6G, 5S, 7B)
 3. Ladakh (7: 4G, 2S, 1B)
 - Mascot: "Sheen-E-She (Shan)" (snow leopard).
 - Indian Army also won the 2024 edition.
- **Khelo India Para Games 2025:**
 - Dates: March 20–27, 2025, Delhi (Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, IG Stadium, Dr. Karni Singh Shooting Range).
 - Mascot: 'Ujjwala' (house sparrow), Tagline: "Champions Beyond Limits/Haunslon Ki Udaan."
 - Anthem: "Khelega Khelega Mera India, Jeetega Jeetega Mera India."
 - Para-sports: Archery, Athletics, Badminton, Powerlifting, Shooting, Table Tennis.
 - Medal Tally: Haryana (104), Tamil Nadu (74), Uttar Pradesh (64).

National Games

- **38th National Games 2025:**
 - Venue: Ganga Stadium, Dehradun, Uttarakhand (Jan 28–Feb 14, 2025, across 12 cities).
 - Mascot: "Mauli" (inspired by Monal bird), Theme: "Green Games" (trophies/medals from e-waste, tree for each medal winner).
 - Torch: 'Tejaswini' (presented by Lakshya Sen to PM Modi).
 - Tagline: "Sankalp Se Shikhar Tak."
 - Sports: 32 + 4 demonstration events (mallakhamb, kalarippayattu, rafting, yogasana).
 - Medal Tally:
 1. Services Sports Control Board (68G, 26S, 27B)
 2. Maharashtra (54G, 71S, 76B)
 3. Haryana (48G, 47S, 58B)
 - Highlights:
 - Animesh Kujur (Odisha): Equalled national 100m record (10.28s).



- Sudeshna Shivankar (Maharashtra): Fastest female (100m, 11.76s).
- **Future Host:** Meghalaya (2027).

INTERNATIONAL MULTI-SPORT & MEGA EVENTS

- **Asian Games 2026 (Aichi–Nagoya, Japan, 19 Sep – 4 Oct 2026):**
 - **Cricket retained** (4th Asian-Games appearance).
 - **Mixed Martial Arts debuts.**
- **FIFA Women's World Cup 2027 (Brazil, 24 Jun–25 Jul 2027):**
 - **Venue Cities:** 8 (Maracana, Brasilia, Sao Paulo, Recife, etc.)
 - **Teams:** 32
 - **Future Hosts:** 2031 (USA, likely), 2035 (UK), 2026 (Men's: US/Mexico/Canada), 2030 (Morocco/Portugal/Spain+3 games in ARG/PAR/URU), 2034 (Saudi Arabia).
- **LA 28 Summer Olympics (14–30 Jul 2028, USA):**
 - **T20 cricket returns** after 128 years (Pomona, California).
 - **Format:** 6 men's & 6 women's teams.
 - **New LA 28 sports:** Baseball/softball, flag football, lacrosse (sixes), squash.
- **Commonwealth Games Federation Rebranding:**
 - Now called 'Commonwealth Sport' under "More in Common" theme.
- **Special Olympics World Winter Games 2025:**
 - **Venue:** Turin, Italy.
 - **India:** 33 medals (8 Gold, 18 Silver, 7 Bronze).

INDIAN SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

Cricket

- **India Wins 3rd ICC Champions Trophy (2025, Dubai):**
 - Defeated New Zealand under Rohit Sharma.
 - **India's ICC Titles:** 7, including 3 Champions Trophy (2002-shared, 2013, 2025).
 - **Player of the Match:** Rohit Sharma; **Player of the Tournament:** Rachin Ravindra (NZ).
 - **Prize money:** USD 2.24 million (ICC declaration).
- **Rohit Sharma becomes Second-Most Successful Indian Captain:**
 - 2nd ICC Title for Rohit (after 2024 T20 WC).
 - 1st captain to lead in the final of all four major ICC events.
- **Virat Kohli milestones:**
 - 7th Indian to play 300+ ODIs.
 - Fastest batter to reach 14,000 ODI runs (287 innings).
 - 1st Indian with 100 T20 half centuries (9 hundreds in 405 T20s, ranks 2nd globally).
- **Shubman Gill Appointed 37th Test Captain:**
 - Succeeded Rohit Sharma (retired May 7, 2025).
 - Virat Kohli: most-capped (68 Tests), most successful (40 wins) Test captain.
 - Rohit Sharma: 24 Tests (12 wins, 9 losses, 3 draws).
- **Other Records:**
 - Mohammed Shami: Fastest Indian to 200 ODI wickets (104th match).
 - Ranji Trophy 2024–25: Vidarbha defeated Kerala for 3rd title (Man of the Match: Danish Malewar).
 - Vijay Hazare Trophy: Ayush Mhatre (17y, 168d) youngest 150+ scorer in List A match.
 - Karnataka (Mayank Agarwal): 5th Vijay Hazare Trophy win; Karun Nair most runs, Arshdeep Singh most wickets.
 - ICC Men's Cricket Committee Chair: Sourav Ganguly (reappointed); ICC HQ: Dubai; Chairman: Jay Shah.
- **Women's Premier League (WPL) 2025:**
 - Mumbai Indians (Harmanpreet Kaur): 2nd WPL title, beat Delhi Capitals.
 - **Key Awards:**



- Orange Cap: Nat Sciver-Brunt (523 runs)
- Purple Cap: Amelia Kerr (18 wickets)
- Emerging Player: Amanjot Kaur
- Fair Play: Gujarat Giants

Athletics

- **Neeraj Chopra:**
 - Conferred honorary Lieutenant Colonel (Territorial Army), April 16, 2025.
 - **Achievements:**
 - Gold (2020 Tokyo Olympics), Silver (2024 Paris), Gold (2023 World Athletics Championship, Budapest).
 - Indian record (Doha Diamond League 2025): 90.23m, 2nd place.
 - Winner: Julian Weber (Germany, 91.06m).
 - Best Male Javelin Thrower 2024 (Track and Field News).
 - Topped global rankings 2023, 2024.
 - Potch Invitational, South Africa (84.52m, coach Jan Železný).
 - Janusz Kusocinski Memorial (Poland): 2nd place (winner: Julian Weber, 86.12m).
- **Gurinder Singh:**
 - Fastest Indian man (100m, 10.20s, Indian GP 2025, Bengaluru).
- **Other National & Asian Championships:**
 - Asian U18 Athletics 2025 (Dammam): India—11 medals (1 Gold: Himanshu Jakhar, Javelin 67.57m).
 - National Federation Senior Athletics (Kochi): Vithya Ramraj—new women's 400m hurdles record (56.04s).
 - Krishna Jayasankar: Indian indoor shot put record (16.03m).

Chess

- **L.R. Srihari:** 86th Indian Grandmaster (Tamil Nadu).
- **R. Praggnanandhaa:**
 - Tata Steel Masters 2025 champion (defeated D Gukesh; only 2nd Indian after V. Anand).
 - Won 2025 Superbet Chess Classic, Romania.
 - Consecutive Tata Steel Masters (2024, 2025).
- **Pa Inian:** Won 38th Cannes International Open (2025).
- **Pranav Venkatesh:** 2025 World Junior Chess Champion; also gold at World Junior Open U20 (9/11 unbeaten).
- **Nihal Sarin:** Won classical Tashkent Open Agzamov Memorial 2025 (8/10, unbeaten).
- **D Gukesh:** World Champion 2024.
- **Aravindh Chithambaram:** Prague Masters 2025.
- **R Vaishali:** Bronze, 2024 FIDE World Blitz.
- **Humpy Koneru:** Pune FIDE Women's Grand Prix 2025 winner.
- **Song Yuxin (China) & Daneshvar Bardiya (Iran):** 2025 Asian Chess Champions.
- **Pranati Nayak:** Vault bronze, 2025 FIG Artistic Gymnastics World Cup.

Shooting & Archery

- **ISSF World Cup 2025 (Shotgun, Nicosia, Cyprus):**
 - Kynan Chenai & Sabeera Haris: Bronze (trap mixed team).
 - Next: Lonato, Italy (July 2025).
- **ISSF World Cup 2025, Lima (Peru):**
 - India 3rd overall (7 medals: 2 Gold, 4 Silver, 1 Bronze), behind China & USA.
 - Suruchi Singh: Double gold (10m Air Pistol, 10m AP Mixed with Saurabh Chaudhary).
- **ISSF World Cup Buenos Aires 2025:**

- India: 2nd with 8 medals (4 Gold, 2 Silver, 2 Bronze).
- Gold: Sift Kaur Samra, Rudrankksh Patil, Suruchi Singh, Vijayveer Sidhu.
- **ISSF Junior World Cup 2025 (Suhl, Germany):**
 - India: 1st with 3 Gold, 4 Silver, 4 Bronze.
 - Gold: Shambhavi Shravan Kshirsagar (10m air rifle), Kanak (10m air pistol), Tejaswini (25m pistol).
- **Archery World Cup 2025 (Shanghai):**
 - India: 2 Gold, 1 Silver, 4 Bronze; finished 2nd.

Badminton

- **Malaysia Masters 2025:**
 - Men's Singles: Li Shifeng (China), beat Kidambi Srikanth (India).
 - Women's Singles: Wang Zhiyi (China), beat Han Yue (China).
- **India Open 2025 (Delhi):**
 - Men's Singles: Viktor Axelsen (Denmark)
 - Women's Singles: An Se-young (South Korea)
- **All England Open 2025 (Birmingham):**
 - Women's Singles: An Se-young (South Korea), Men's Singles: Shi Yu Qi (China).

Tennis

- **2025 Italian Open:**
 - Men's Singles: Carlos Alcaraz (Spain), Women's Singles: Jasmine Paolini (Italy).
- **Australian Open 2025:**
 - Men's Singles: Jannik Sinner (Italy, 2nd consecutive), Women's Singles: Madison Keys (USA).
- **Madrid Open 2025:**
 - Men's: Casper Ruud (Norway), Women's: Aryna Sabalenka (Belarus).
- **Miami Open 2025:**
 - Women's: Aryna Sabalenka, Men's: Jakub Mensik (Czech Republic, beat Novak Djokovic).

Football

- **India Wins SAFF U19 Championship 2025 (Yupia, Arunachal Pradesh):**
 - Beat Bangladesh (4–3 on penalties).
- **AIFF Awards 2025:**
 - Men's Player: Subhasish Bose, Women's Player: Soumya Guguloth.
 - Men's Goalkeeper: Vishal Kaith, Women's Goalkeeper: Panthoi Chanu.
 - Men's Coach: Khalid Jamil, Women's Coach: Sujata Kar.
- **FIFA bans Pakistan, Russia, Congo from 2026 World Cup.**
 - Host: USA, Canada, Mexico (48 teams).
- **Argentina (AFA) & HSBC:**
 - 1-year partnership for India & Singapore, Lionel Messi exhibition in Kerala, Oct 14, 2025.

Hockey

- **15th Hockey India Senior Men National Championship 2025:**
 - Punjab: 5th title (beat Madhya Pradesh).
- **Hockey India Annual Awards 2024:**
 - Men: Harmanpreet Singh, Women: Savita Punia (300+ caps).
- **15th Hockey India Senior Women National Championship 2025:**
 - Hockey Jharkhand: 1st title (beat Haryana).
- **Women's Hockey India League 2024–25:**



- Odisha Warriors: Champions.
- Best Goalkeeper: Savita Punia.
- **Rajgir Hockey Stadium (Bihar):**
 - To host 12th Hero Asia Cup Hockey 2025.
- **Vandana Katariya retired:** Most capped Indian woman, 320 matches, 158 goals.

Kabaddi

- **Kabaddi World Cup 2025 (Wolverhampton, England):**
 - Men: India beat England; Scotland 3rd.
 - Women: India beat England; Hong Kong China 3rd.
 - Men's Captain: Deepak Niwas Hooda, Women's: Neha Jadhav.
 - Player of the Tournament: Poonam Sharma; Best Defender: Rachel Collins (England).
- **6th Asian Women's Kabaddi Championship 2025 (Tehran):**
 - India beat Iran; 5th win in 6 editions.

Wrestling

- **Asian Wrestling Championships 2025 (Amman, Jordan):**
 - India: 10 medals (1 Gold: Manisha Bhanwala, 3 Silver: Deepak Punia, Udit, Reetika Hooda, 6 Bronze).
- **Sunil Kumar:** Bronze (87kg Greco-Roman).

Cue Sports

- **Pankaj Advani:**
 - CCI Billiards Classic 2025 winner (Mumbai).
 - 36th National Gold, 10th Men's Snooker.
- **Sourav Kothari:**
 - 2025 IBSF World Billiards (timed) Champion, Ireland (beat Pankaj Advani).

Other Notable Indian Achievements & Announcements

- **India at Special Olympics World Winter Games 2025:**
 - 33 medals (8 Gold, 18 Silver, 7 Bronze) in Turin, Italy.
- **India at World Para Athletics Grand Prix 2025 (New Delhi):**
 - 134 medals (45 Gold, 40 Silver, 49 Bronze).
- **India to host 11th Asian Swimming Championship (Ahmedabad, Oct 1–15, 2025).**
- **Indian Masters at Sepaktakraw World Cup 2025 (Patna):**
 - Men's Regu Team: 1st gold (beat Japan); India: 4th overall (1G, 1S, 5B).
- **India Tops Medal Tally at Asian Yogasana Sport Championship 2025:**
 - 83 Gold, 87 medals total.

INTERNATIONAL SPORTS NEWS

- **King Cup International Badminton Open 2024 (Shenzhen, China):**
 - Champion: Anders Antonsen (Denmark), India's Lakshya Sen: 3rd.
- **Sudirman Cup 2025 (Badminton):**
 - China beat South Korea.
- **UEFA Europa League Champion:**
 - Tottenham Hotspur (beat Manchester United 1–0 at San Mames Stadium, Spain).
- **Formula 1:**
 - Kush Maini (India, DAMS Lucas Oil): 1st Indian to win Formula 2 Sprint Race at Monaco GP.
- **FIBA Women's Asia Cup Ambassadors 2025:**



- Miao Lijie (China, HoF 2024) & Yuko Oga (Japan, HoF 2023); Event: Shenzhen, July 13–20, 2025.
- **LeBron James:**
 - 1st NBA player to cross 50,000 combined points (season + playoffs).
- **Cristiano Ronaldo:**
 - Topped Sportico's 2024 list of highest paid athletes (\$260 million).

SPORTS AWARDS & HONOURS

- **ICC Awards 2024:**
 - Sir Garfield Sobers Award (Men's Cricketer): Jasprit Bumrah
 - Men's T20I Cricketer: Arshdeep Singh
 - Women's ODI Cricketer: Smriti Mandhana
 - Women's Cricketer: Amelia Kerr (NZ)
 - Umpire of the Year: Richard Illingworth (England)
- **National Sports Awards 2024:**
 - Khel Ratna: Gukesh D (Chess), Harmanpreet Singh (Hockey), Praveen Kumar (Para-Athletics), Manu Bhaker (Shooting)
 - Arjuna: Jyothi Yarraji, Nitu Ghanghas, Salima Tete, Sajan Prakash
- **BCCI C K Nayudu Lifetime Achievement Award 2024:**
 - Sachin Tendulkar (31st recipient)
- **Atif Aslam:**
 - Released official ICC Men's Champions Trophy 2025 song.

MISCELLANEOUS HIGHLIGHTS

- **Government Initiatives:**
 - Uttar Pradesh waived 10% community contribution for Jal Jeevan Mission (Har Ghar Nal).
- **Environment:**
 - India's Ramsar sites: 89 (highest in Asia, 3rd globally).
- **Food Delivery Innovations:**
 - Zomato Quick, Swiggy Bolt, Blinkit Bistro.