

MAHARASHTRA AMATEUR GYMNASTICS ASSOCIATION

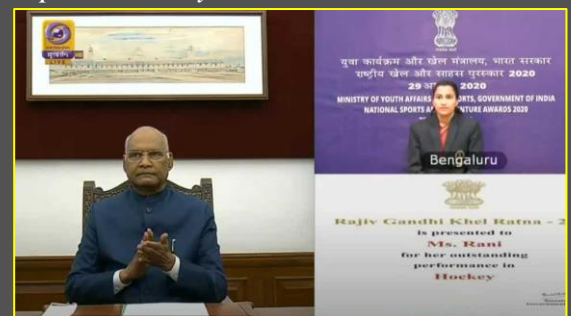
NEWS BULLETIN JULY, AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2020

Wishing You All A Very Happy Ganesh Chaturthi 2020

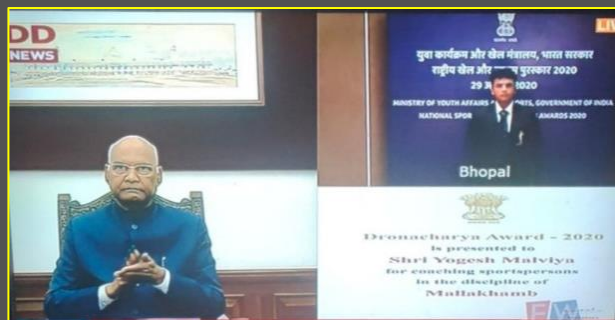
MYAS: COUNTRY'S HIGHEST NATIONAL SPORTS AWARDS 2020



The Union Sports Ministry has announced the list of winners of the Country's Highest National Sports Awards 2020, as per the recommendation of the Selection Committee headed by Justice (Retd.) Mukundam Sharma (former Judge of Supreme Court of India) on 21.08.2020. This was the first time in the history of awards that five athletes were conferred with the top sporting accolades i. e. Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Awards: Rohit Sharma (cricket), Vinesh Phogat (wrestling), Manika Batra (table tennis), Rani Rampal (hockey), and Mariyappan Thangavelu (Para High Jumper). **Earlier in 2016**, four athletes' i. e. star shuttler P V Sindhu, gymnast Dipa Karmakar, shooter Jitu Rai, and wrestler Sakshi Malik were collectively given this award. **Arjuna Awards:** Atanu Das (archery), Dutee Chand (athletics), Satwiksairaj Rankireddy (badminton), Chirag C. Shetty (Badminton), Vishesh Bhargavanshi (basketball), Manish Kaushik (boxing), Lovlina Borgohain (boxing), Ishant Sharma (cricket), Deepti Sharma (cricket), Ajay Sawant (tent pegging), Sandesh Jhinghan (football), Aditi Ashok (golf), Akashdeep Singh (hockey), Deepika Thakur (hockey), Deepak Hooda (kabaddi), Sarika Kale (kho- kho), Dattu Bhokanal (rowing), Manu Bhaker (shooting), Saurabh Chaudhary (shooting), Madhurika Patkar (table tennis), Divij Sharan (tennis), Shiva Keshavan (winter sports), Divya Kakran (wrestling), Rahul Aware (wrestling), Manish Narwal (para shooter), Sandeep Chaudhary (parathlete), and Suyash Jadhav (para swimmer). **Dronacharya Awards (Lifetime Category):** Dharmendra Tiwari (archery), Purshottam Rai (athletics), Shiv Singh (boxing), Romesh Pathania (hockey), K. K. Hooda (kabaddi), Vijay Munishwar (para powerlifting), Naresh Kumar (tennis), OP Dahiya (wrestling). **Dronacharya Awards (Regular Category):** Yogesh Malviya (mallakhamb), Gaurav Khanna (para badminton), Jaspal Rana (shooting),



Kuldeep Handoo (wushu) and Jude Felix (hockey). **Major Dhyan Chand award:** Jincy Philips (athletics), Kuldeep Singh Bhullar (athletics), Trupti Murgunde (badminton), Pradeep Gandhe (badminton), N Usha (boxing), Lakha Singh (boxing), Sukhwinder Singh Sandhu (football), Ajeet Singh (hockey), Manpreet Singh (kabaddi), Manjeet Singh (rowing), Late Sachin Nag (swimming), Nandan Bal (tennis), Netar Pal Hooda (wrestling), Satya Prakash Tiwari (para badminton) and J Ranjit Kumar (para athletics). **Maulana Abdul Kalam Azad (MAKA) Trophy:** Punjab University, Chandigarh. **Rashtriya Khel Protsahan Puruskar:** 1. Identification and Nurturing of



Budding / Young Talent - Lakshya Institute & Army Sports Institute, 2. Encouragement to Sports through Corporate Social Responsibility - ONGC Ltd. 3. Employment of sportspersons and Sports Welfare Measures - Air Force Sports Control Board and 4. Sports for Development - International Institute of Sports Management (IISM). **Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Awards 2019:** It is being awarded to recognize the spirit of adventure among the people of the country. Ms. Anita Devi, Col. Sarfraz Singh, Taka Tamut, Narender Singh, Keval Hiren Kakka (All Land Adventure), Satendra Singh (Water Adventure), Gajanand Yadava (Air Adventure) and Late Magan Bissa (Life Time Achievement). These awards were conferred by His-Excellency Shri Ram Nath Kovind President Government of India at a specially organized function through virtual mode from Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi on 29th August 2020 on the 115th Birth Anniversary of Hockey legend Major Dhyan Chand. In a first, this year's National Sports Awards Ceremony, which normally held at Rashtrapati Bhawan, was conducted virtually due to the Covid-19 pandemic, with all the winners logging in from their respective places to hear their names on 29th August 2020. **Sports Minister Shri Kiren Rijiju** on Saturday (29.8.2020) officially announced a massive hike in the prize money in four of the seven categories of the National Sports and Adventure Awards, which were given away in a virtual ceremony this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The prize money for the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award has been increased to a whopping ₹25 lakh from the previous amount of ₹7.5 lakh, while Arjuna Award has been enhanced to ₹15 lakh from ₹5 lakh. The Dronacharya (Lifetime) awardees, who were earlier given ₹5 lakh, will now be richer by ₹15 lakh, while Dronacharya (Regular) winners will be given ₹10 lakh instead of ₹5 lakh. The prize money of Dhyan Chand Award has been increased to ₹10 lakh from ₹5 lakh. The hike



will come into effect from this year. The prize money for the Sports Awards was last reviewed in 2008. These amounts should be reviewed once every 10 years at least. All awards comprises the enhanced prize money as announced, a statute and a scroll of honour. Sports Minister Shri Kiren Rijju Condolled Dronacharya Awardee Athletics Coach Purushottam Rai's Death due to cardiac arrest on 28th August 2020 evening a day before the ceremony, who was to be bestowed this honour on National Sports Day. It is also worth to mention that the Dronacharya Award (Regular Category) in Mallakhamb is conferred to Mr. Yogesh Malviya from Madhya Pradesh for the first time since the inception of Mallakhamb Federation of India (MFI) with the efforts of its President Dr. Ramesh Indoliya.

MYAS: MAKA TROPHY 2020 TO PUNJAB UNIVERSITY, CHANDIGARH

Punjab University Chandigarh has won the Maulana Abdul Kalam Azad (MAKA) trophy for the second consecutive time in a row after a gap of 25 years. It was during the year 1994-1996 when the coveted trophy came to Punjab University twice in a row. The MAKA trophy comprises with a cash prize of Rs. 20 lakh. However, this year's ceremony was Virtual due to Covid-19 pandemic across the World. The **MAKA Trophy** was instituted in the year 1956-57 which is a **Rolling Trophy** awarded to the overall Top Performing University in Sports of the preceding year for promoting competitive sports in the university sector with a view to arouse keen interest among students and motivate team to take up competitive sports. The Guru Nanak Dev University Amritsar lifted Coveted MAKA Trophy for 23 times since its inception 1956-57 and remain on the top position while Punjab University Chandigarh 15 times, Delhi University Delhi 12 times, Punjabi University Patiala 9 times, Mumbai University Mumbai 3 times and Kurukshetra University once only.



OBITUARY: ADITYA TALEGAONKAR AN AEROBIC GYMNAST IS NO MORE

Aurangabad's **Shiv Chhatrapati Awardee** in Aerobic Gymnastics **Aditya Talegaonkar** died of pneumonia on 24th August 2020 at a tender age of 25 years. He survived by his parents and a younger sister. He was a National player, who won silver medal in Senior National Aerobic Gymnastics Championship and two gold medals in Team Championship



(Artistic Gymnastics) in SGFI National School Games. He also participated in the 14th World Aerobic Gymnastics Championship held in Incheon South Korea in 2016. Aditya Talegaonkar was conferred with the prestigious Shiv Chhatrapati Award in 2017-18 by the Government of Maharashtra for his contribution in the field of Aerobic Gymnastics. Aditya Talegaonkar was working in Angel's Kids International School as Gymnastics Coach. Aurangabad District Gymnastics Association and Maharashtra has lost an Emerging player Aditya Talegaonkar which shocked Gymnastics Fraternity. A heartfelt tribute to Aditya Talegaonkar and his family on behalf of Maharashtra Amateur Gymnastics Association (MAGA)!!!



KIYG: 4TH KHELO INDIA YOUTH GAMES 2021 IN HARYANA

4th Khelo India Youth Games 2021 will be hosted by Haryana in Panchkula, after the 2021 Tokyo Olympics, the State's Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar and Union Sports Minister Kiren Rijiju announced on Saturday i. e. 25th July



2020. The announcement was made via video conference. "Usually the Khelo India Youth Games take place in January of every year. However, this time owing to the Covid-19 Pandemic, we have to postpone it, Mr. Kiren Rijiju said. "However, I am sure by the time we host the Games the pandemic will abate and we will be able to host the Games at the same scale with participation of all states with over 10,000 participants. Haryana has done well in all the three editions of KIYG with 102 podium finishes (38 gold, 26 silver, 38 bronze) in 2018, 159 medals in 2019, while 200 medals in 2020 edition.

BRICS: INDIA PLANS BRICS GAMES DURING KHELO INDIA GAMES IN 2021

Union Sports Minister Shri Kiren Rijiju announced that India is planning to host BRICS Games in 2021 and may align it with Khelo India Games which came after he attended a meeting of Sports Ministers of the BRICS nations (Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa) on Tuesday i. e. 25th August 2020 through video conferencing with Russia as a

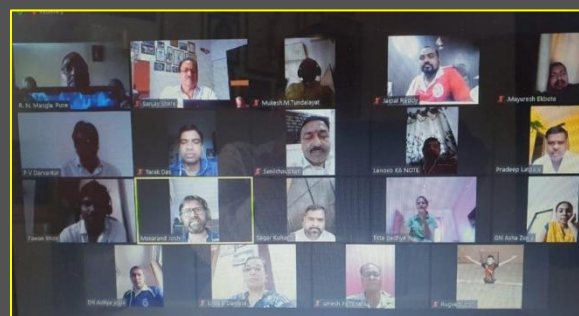


chair. India will get chairmanship of the five-nation independent international group in 2021. **BRICS Games 2021** will be held during same time and at same venues as of Khelo India Games 2021 so that Indian players from various parts of the country will have the benefit of witnessing BRICS Games from close quarters. This will be a great morale booster and motivational moment for them. During Khelo India Youth Games 2021, BRICS member countries will be invited to showcase their traditional indigenous games during the inaugural or closing ceremony of Khelo India Games 2021. BRICS (comprises of five countries with fast-growing

economies) is a Regional Co-operative Organization which was formed in 2009, and these nations meet annually at formal summits. **The BRICS Games** were formed at the 8th BRICS Summit held in Goa India in 2016. The first edition of the BRICS Games was held in Guangzhou, China in 2017, 2nd Brics Games at Johannesburg South Africa, 3rd Brics Games were held at Brazil in 2019 and the next is proposed to be held in India in 2021.

MAGA: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF MAGA 2020

Executive Committee Meeting (Virtual) of Maharashtra Amateur Gymnastics Association (MAGA) was held on 6th online on September 2020 at 11.30 AM under the Chairmanship of Shri Sanjay Shete President MAGA. The meeting was attended by Mr. Uttam Latpate senior Vice President (MAGA), Ms. Madhuri Chendke Vice President (MAGA), Dr. Makrand Joshi Secretary General MAGA, Mr. Pawan Bhoir Treasurer (MAGA), Advocate Shankarsan Joshi, Mr. Vinayak Vaze, Dr. Aditya Joshi, Mr. Umesh Pandhare, Mr. R. N. Mangla, Mr. Sunil Chaudhary, Ms. Ujjwal Damase, Ms. Asha Zunje, Mr. Purushottam Darwankar, Mr. Jai Pal Reddy, Mr. Mayuresh Ekbote, Mr.



Sagar Kulkarni, Mr. Tarak Das, Mr. Mukesh Tundalayay, and Ms. Ekta Padhye. The committee discussed on many subjects as per agenda vide MAGA letter no. 13 /Executive Committee/ MAGA/ 2020-21 dated 1.9.2020 including confirmation of the last executive committee meeting's minutes which was held at Shravan Sports Academy Dombivali district Thane on 19.1.2020. The accounts for 2019-20 was presented by Mr. Pawan Bhoir Treasurer MAGA and the Financial Budget for 2020-21 which discussed in detail and passed unanimously. It was also resolved in the meeting to have Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) on online Zoom App (Virtual) on 11th October 2020 at 11.30 am. Other matters were also discussed with the permission of the chair. The First online zoom Executive Meeting of MAGA was concluded with the Vote of Thanks by Mr. Sanjay Shete President Maharashtra Amateur Gymnastics Association (MAGA).

MYAS: ENHANCENT OF CASH PRIZE FOR NATIONAL SPORTS AWARDS 2020

Sports Minister Shri Kiren Rijiju officially announced a massive hike in the cash prize money in four of the seven categories of the National Sports and Adventure Awards on 29.8.2020 vide F. No. K-15012/04/2018-SP-IV Government of India, Department of Sports, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Shastri Bhawan New Delhi dated 27th August 2020, which are mentioned as below and the enhanced cash prize money will be effective from 2020.

SN	Name of the Award	Existing Prize Money	Revised Prize Money
1	Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award	Rs. 7,50,000/-	Rs. 25,00,000/-
2	Arjun Award	Rs. 5,00,000/-	Rs. 15,00,000/-
3	Dronacharya Award (Lifetime)	Rs. 5,00,000/-	Rs. 15,00,000/-
	Dronacharya Award (Regular)	Rs. 5,00,000/-	Rs. 10,00,000/-
4	Dhyan Chand Award for Lifetime Achievement in Sports & Games	Rs. 5,00,000/-	Rs. 10,00,000/-

OBITUARY: DR. KIRANPREET GYMNAST OF YESTER-YEARS PASSED AWAY

Dr. (Prof) Kiranpreet Kaur a kind hearted, soft spoken and a great gymnast of yester- years from Department of Sociology Punjab University Chandigarh is passed away on 17th September 2020. She fought bravely against the battle of cancer for years. She was a blend of Humanity, Friendship and Academic Excellence. It is sad that one more strong pillar of Gymnastics from Chandigarh left the Gymnastics Fraternity after Sardar Surinder Singh Sohal, Sardar P. S. Virk and Professor K. R. Sharma, who were the inspiration to Gymnastics in the Punjab and as a whole in the country. We, on behalf of Maharashtra Amateur Gymnastics Association (MAGA) extend our heartfelt condolences to the departed soul of Dr. Kiranpreet Kaur and to the members of the deceased family to bear this irreplaceable loss. Mr. R. N. Mangla is with Dr. Kiranpreet Kaur and Dr. Satpal Kaur during All India Inter-University at Chandigarh in the colour Picture.



AGU: AGU TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETING IN AEROBIC GYMNASTICS

Asian Gymnastics Union (AGU) online zoom meeting of Aerobic Gymnastics Technical meeting was held on 8th September 2020 at 10.30 am IST under the chairmanship of Ms. Tammy Yagi Kitagawa President Technical Committee Aerobics (Japan), which was attended by Mr. Wang Hong Vice President (China), Dr. Makarand Joshi Secretary (India), Mr. Armando Asuncion (Philippines) and Mr. Soon-Rea Cho (South Korea). First of all Ms. Tammy Yagi Kitagawa welcomed and Thanked all the members who attended the online meeting online on the given ID



and Password provided by the President AGU AER-TC. She also asked about the International Aerobic

Gymnast Mr. Aditya Talegaonkar from India, who passed away on 24th August 2020 due to Pneumonia at the age of 25 years and all members gave their heartfelt condolences to his family followed by the confirmation of the last meeting's minutes of the AGU Aerobic Technical Committee held at Hotel Westin Doha Qatar on 11th January 2020 and passed unanimously. It was also decided in the meeting about the preparation of the AGU Aerobic Gymnastics webinar to conduct the Judge's Refresher Course on Difficulty, Artistic and Execution. A detailed discussion was held on the above subject and Ms. Tammy Yagi Kitagawa allotted the responsibilities on each member to make this project a grand success. Ms. Tammy Yagi Kitagawa concluded the meeting with Vote of Thanks.



GYM: HIGHEST SCORES IN PH IN INTERNATIONAL MEETS SINCE 2006-2020

The Indian Gymnasts have obtained the highest scores in Pommel Horse in various International Championships such as Asian Games, Senior Asian Championships, Commonwealth Games, World Cups and World Championship from 2006 till 2019 which is mentioned in the chart given below:

<i>SN</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Scores</i>	<i>International Championships</i>	<i>International participation</i>
1	Ashish Kumar	14.550	3 rd Sr. Asian Champs Surat 2006	22 times
2	Dhan Bahadur	14.200	6 th Sr. Asian Champs Hiroshima 2015	4 times
3	Mayank S	13.900	XVIII CWG Melbourne 2006	5 times
4	Alok Ranjan	13.633	43 rd World Championship Tokyo 2011	2 times
5	Yogeshwar Singh	13.333	CISM Military Games Wuhan 2019	7 times
6	Siddharth Verma	13.000	46 th World Champs Glasgow 2015	4 times
7	Partha Mondal	12.950	XIX CWG New Delhi 2010	3 times
8	Rohit Jaiswal	12.950	15 th Asian Games Doha 2006	4 times
9	Abhijit Kumar	12.950	7 th Sr. Asian Champs Bangkok 2017	2 times
10	Rakesh Patra	12.666	45 th World Champs Nanning 2014	20 times
11	Arik Dey	12.650	7 th Sr. Asian Champs Bangkok 2017	2 times
12	Abhilekh Parasher	12.300	7 th Sr. Asian Champs Bangkok 2017	1 times
13	Aditya Singh Rana	12.150	17 th Asian Games Incheon 2014	4 times

Prime Minister Narendra Modi held a virtual interaction with fitness influencers on September 24, 2020 during a nationwide “Fit India Dialogue 2020” to celebrate the first anniversary of the Fit India Movement. He added that we need to inspire one another to stay fit. “Families that play together, stay together”. PM introduced his latest slogan to the nation for a fit India i. e. “Fitness Ki Dose, Aadha Ghanta Roz,” **PM interacted with fitness influencers** like Cricketer Virat Kohli, Runner Milind Soman, Nutritionist Rujuta Diwekar, Paralympic Javelin Gold Medallist Devendra Jhajharia, J & K Footballer Afshan Ashiq, Swami Shivadhyanam Saraswati and Bharatiya Shikshan Mandal’s Mukul Kanitkar in Fit India Dialogue 2020.



Devendra Jhajharia stressed on the importance of not giving up in the face of hardships and **Afshan Ashiq** ensured her physical fitness by waking up early and working out to become an inspiration for all women of the country. **Milind Soman** said walking for hundreds of kilometres was not a difficult task if one had the mental strength to do it. ‘Fitness knows no limit and become fit without supplements and energy drinks. **Rujuta Diwekar** said healthy living means sticking to simple, home-made food. We should eat home-made food and avoid packaged food. This is the secret to good health. **Swami Shivadhyanam Saraswati** stressed on the importance of yoga and discipline. He talked about the concept of ‘yoga-capsule’, which has ‘Mantra’, ‘Aasana’, ‘Pranayama’, ‘Chitrikaran’ and ‘Dhyaan’ as its components. **Virat Kohli** said that his fitness is on priority



to him. “Even if practice is missed for a day but I make sure not to skip my fitness session on any day. **Bharatiya Shikshan Mandal’s Mukul Kanitkar** said it is important to keep one’s mind, body, and sentiment fit. “The whole society needs to develop the culture of fitness, then only a change may be brought about the fitness. **The Fit India Dialogue** strengthens the vision and Indian citizens are to be credited for the success of this nationwide movement. PM Modi says a “fit India” means a “hit India” and hopes that the people of the country will take the Fit India Movement seriously and take it to further heights. PM Modi tells the nation

about the important of mental health and a peaceful mind and it is important to have "a sound mind in a sound body, a sound body must also complement a sound mind".

MYAS: SPORTS MINISTER KIREN RIJIJU UNVEILED NEW LOGO OF SAI



Union Sports Minister Shri Kiren Rijiju unveiled the New Sports Authority of India (SAI) Logo, which has been changed for the first time since the Apex Sports Body's inception in 1982. The New Logo highlights SAI in bold letters with depiction of an athlete's flight to success in the background. The logo was unveiled in a brief ceremony organized at Major Dhyan Chand

National Stadium New Delhi which was attended by Mr. Ravi Mittal Sports Secretary, Mr. Sandip Pradhan Director General SAI and Mr. Narender Batra President Indian Olympic Association (IOA). Unveiling the simple but dynamic logo, Union Sports Minister Shri Kiren Rijiju commended SAI for being the driving force behind the Indian Sports over the years. Sports Secretary Mr. Ravi Mittal congratulated SAI on the new look of the Logo and IOA President Mr. Narender Batra appreciated the Great improvement in Indian Sports in the last couple of years. Mr. Sandip Pradhan DG SAI welcomed the gathering and hundreds of sports lovers, who were connected online from across the country.

Earlier, the Sports Body came in to existence as National Institute of Sports (NIS) from Raj Kumari Amrit Kaur Sports Scheme followed by Netaji Subhas National Institute of Sports (NSNIS) than it became as Sports Authority of India (SAI) and their Logos were as given below



**NEVER WORRY ABOUT THE PROBLEM,
ALWAYS WORRY ABOUT THE SOLUTION.**

Dated: 02-10-2020

D-22, Camellia, SRP Road,

Pune-411 040,

E-mail: rn_mangla@yahoo.co.in

R. N. Mangla (Editor),

SAI Gymnastics Coach (Retd) Wanowadi,

Mobile: 9890911565

WhatsApp: 9890911565

Editorial Board:

- 1. Dr. Makarand Joshi (Jalna)*
- 2. Prof. Sagar Kulkarni (Aurangabad)*
- 3. Mr. Ramakrishna Lokhande (SAI)*
- 4. Mr. Sanjay Hirode (Amravati)*
- 5. Mr. Nilesh Joshi (Jalgaon)*
- 6. Mr. Mahendra Babhulkar (Thane)*
- 7. Mr. Rohan Shriramwar (Aurangabad)*
- 8. Mr. Rugved Joshi (Aurangabad)*