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Jharkhand gets 23 medals including 5 gold in National Thang-Ta Championship

Why In News

Recently, in the 29th Sub Junior and Senior National Championship held at Khelgaon Ranchi, players of Jharkhand Thang-Ta team won a total of 23 medals including 5 gold.

Key Points

- Rajkumar Kisku of Dhanbad won the gold medal in the senior category by defeating his rival Nilesh Yadav of Punjab in the 46 kg weight category.



- In women's 44 kg weight category, Poonam Kumari won the gold medal by defeating Kumari Bhateri of Haryana.
- For the state, 6 players including Sandeep Kumar Paswan, Anil Prasad Mahato, Julie Kumar, Akshita Pandit and Shiv Kumar Mahato won silver medals.



- For the state, 12 players including Usha Kumari, Anukalp Prasad, Naina Kumari Gupta, Manshi Keshari, Aniket Kumar, Nishant Kumar, Siddhant Shrestha, Unnati Priya, Priya Keshari won bronze medals.
- The host Jharkhand team finished fifth with 5 gold, 6 silver and 12 bronze medals.
- It is worth mentioning that Manipur won the title of overall champion, while Jammu & Kashmir team stood second and Assam team stood third.

Jharkhand's Manisha Kerketta won silver medal in Junior World Boxing

Why in News?

Manisha Kerketta of Simdega district of Jharkhand won the silver medal in the 54 kg girls category at the IBA Junior World Boxing Championship being held in Armenia on December 3, 2023.

Key Points:

- It may be noted that the Junior World Boxing Championship 2023 was organized in Yerevan, Armenia from November 24 to December 4, 2023. In this prestigious global competition, 448 young talents from 58 countries showcased their talent in 26 weight categories.
- Jharkhand's Manisha Kerketta lost to Kazakhstan's Ayazan Sidik in the final match of 54 kg girls category and had to be satisfied with the silver medal.
- It is worth mentioning that Manisha Kerketta of Konpala Pandripani village of Simdega district of Jharkhand has become the first female player from Jharkhand to win a silver medal in the World Junior Boxing Championship after 23 years.
- Manisha Kerketta is a trainee of 'Jharkhand State Sports Promotion Society' (JSSPS), a sports academy run by the joint initiative of CCL & Jharkhand Government, since 2018 and is taking training from instructor Dronacharya Awardee Captain Braj Bhushan Mohanty.

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Jharkhand's Sarita Kumari won gold medal in National Track Cycling Championship

Why in News?

Sarita Kumari of Jharkhand won the gold medal in the sprint event in the National Track Cycling Championship held at Sido Kanhu Velodrome Stadium, Khelgaon Ranchi under the joint aegis of Indian Cycling Federation of India and Jharkhand Cycling Association on December 3, 2023.

Key Points:

- It is worth mentioning that the 75th Senior Women & Men, 52nd Junior and 38th Sub Junior Boys & Girls National Track Cycling Championship is being organized at Sido Kanhu Velodrome Stadium, Khelgaon Ranchi under the joint auspices of Indian Cycling Federation of India and Jharkhand Cycling Association.
- International cyclist Sarita Kumari, resident of Lohardaga district of Jharkhand, has so far won many medals in junior national level Khelo India etc. competitions.
- Sarita Kumari had won the gold medal in the mass start cycling competition in the sub-junior girls category and the silver medal in the time trial (10 km) in the two-day Khelo India Cycling Women's League held from November 26 to 27, 2022 in Chandigarh.



L. Khiangte becomes the new Chief Secretary of Jharkhand

Why In News?

According to information received from the Information and Public Relations Department of Jharkhand on December 7, 2023, L. Khiangte has taken charge as the new Chief Secretary of Jharkhand.

Key Points:

- L. Khiangte has become the 24th Chief Secretary of Jharkhand. Khiangte has replaced Sukhdev Singh. Sukhdev Singh has been made the Director General of Sri Krishna Institute of Public Administration.
- Khiangte is a 1988 batch Indian Administrative Service officer. Before this he held the post of Director General of Sri Krishna Institute of Public Administration.
- Khiangte will retire on October 31, 2024.



Ramgarh block of Dumka district of Jharkhand ranked 2nd in NITI Aayog's first delta ranking of ABP

Why in News?

Ramgarh block of Dumka district of Jharkhand in eastern India, included in Zone 6, has been ranked 2nd

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in the first delta ranking of the Aspirational Block Program (ABP) announced by NITI Aayog on December 7, 2023.

Key Points:

- In the first Delta Ranking of Aspirational Block Program (ABP), Tiriyani Kumuram Bheem block of Asifabad, Telangana got 1st position and Kaushambi block of Kaushambi district of Uttar Pradesh got 2nd position.
- The blocks are divided geographically into six zones and ranking is given to two blocks from each zone.
 - Zone 1, which includes hilly & north-eastern states as well as islands, was ranked 1st and 2nd by Amri block (West Karbi Anglong, Assam) & Ngopa block (Saitual, Mizoram) respectively.
 - In Zone 2, which covers North Indian states, Harraiya block of Basti district of Uttar Pradesh stood first and Virno block of Ghazipur district stood second.
 - In Zone 3 comprising southern states, Maski block (Raichur, Karnataka) and Naranur (Adilabad, Telangana) were declared the top rankers.
- In the western Indian states, which include Zone 4, Sironcha and Aheri blocks in Gadchiroli district of Maharashtra emerged as winners.
- Under Zone 5, Tirla block of Dhar district of Madhya Pradesh and Pat block of Barwani district were the winners in Central India.
- In Eastern India included in Zone 6, Andar block of Siwan district of Bihar stood 1st and Ramgarh block in Dumka of Jharkhand stood 2nd.
- The winners in all categories will be awarded a prize money of Rs 1.5 crore for the top rank and Rs 1 crore for the 2nd rank.
- The ranking of the blocks was calculated based on the performance of the blocks and the progress achieved in the Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) in the month of June, 2023.
- Ranking the blocks based on KPIs is a core strategy of the programme, which is based on the spirit of competitive and cooperative federalism. This is the first time that a ranking of blocks has been calculated as part of the Aspirational Block Programme.
- It may be noted that the Aspirational Block Program (ABP) was started on January 7, 2023. ABP focuses on improving governance to enhance the quality of life of citizens in India's most difficult and relatively

underdeveloped blocks. 500 blocks in 329 districts across 27 states and 4 union territories in India are part of this programme.

Ranchi ranks 2nd in the ranking of Smart Cities of the Country

Why in News?

According to information received from the Information and Public Relations Department of Jharkhand on December 7, 2023, Jharkhand's capital Ranchi has secured 2nd place in the entire country in the live ranking based on the evaluation of the development work taking place in 100 smart cities of the country.

Key Points:

- In this ranking, Ranchi has got 324.48 points out of a total 350 points. Whereas Surat, the city of Gujarat which got 1st place, has got 335.79 marks.
- Jharkhand has got the 1st position in the country in the ranking of the respective states released by the Center on the basis of development in smart city cities. In the states category, Jharkhand has got 324.48 marks out of 350 marks.
- The work of development of infrastructure in the Smart City of Ranchi being developed in Dhurwa area of Ranchi is almost completed. At the same time, e-auction of many big plots of residential, mixed use, institutional, health sector & public semi-public nature has also been completed in three phases and the work of auction of the fourth phase is under process.
- It is worth mentioning that the Command and Control Center developed under Ranchi Smart City has been completed in 2021 itself and this scheme is fully functional. Under this, the city residents are getting benefits from works like traffic management and monitoring in Ranchi.
- At the same time, a list of about three thousand traffic rule violators is being provided to Ranchi Police every day from the Command and Control Center so that their e-challan can be issued.

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- Apart from this, the work of the state funded Urban Civic Tower project in the Smart City is in its final stages. At the same time, the work of Ranchi Smart City ABD Area being built on 656 acres of land is also almost completed.
- The criteria set by the government for ranking are as follows-
 - Points awarded on completion of development works being done under the plans of Smart City Mission.
 - Mark obtained on completion of ongoing schemes under NanSCM
 - Fund Utilisation.
 - Last month's expenditure.
 - Steps taken for India Cycle for Change and Transport for All.
 - Internships were provided to children studying in various fields under Tulip.
 - City level advisory form meetings etc.



About 4 lakh 90 thousand School Boys & Girls of the state got the benefit of Bicycle Distribution Scheme

Why in News?

According to the instructions of Chief Minister Hemant Soren, by December 10, 2023, the state government has sent an amount of more than Rs 220 crore under DBT to the bank accounts of 4 lakh 90 thousand boys & girls

studying in various government schools of Jharkhand for the purchase of bicycles.

Key Points:

- Funds for purchasing bicycles are being distributed under the Aapki Yojana-Aapki Sarkar-Aapke Dwar campaign.
- So far, the state government has deposited an amount of more than Rs 220 crore in the bank accounts of eligible boys & girls studying in schools for the purchase of bicycles.
- A total amount of Rs 360 crore will be distributed for the purchase of bicycles till December 29, 2023.
- Beneficiary students of 8th class of session 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23 are included under the Cycle Distribution Scheme.
- The amount is being deposited in the bank accounts of approximately 3 lakh 10 thousand remaining beneficiary students of the said session to buy bicycles by December 29, 2023.
- It may be noted that the Welfare Department had received the list of about 8 lakh eligible beneficiary children including all the 24 districts of Jharkhand.



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CM Hemant Soren laid the foundation stone of 5308 Schemes

Why In News?

Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren laid the foundation stone of 5308 schemes worth Rs 835 crore in the 'Aapki Yojana-Aapki Sarkar-Aapke Dwar' program organised at Bada Dhaka of Heth Koraiya Panchayat of Dumka Sadar Block on December 12, 2023.

Key Points

- On this occasion, while inaugurating 50 schemes worth Rs 199.38 lakh, the Chief Minister said that the 3rd phase of 'Aapki Yojana-Aapki Sarkar-Aapke Dwar' program is going on in the state from November 24 to December 29.
- The Chief Minister said that many ambitious schemes including Sarvajan Pension, Guru Ji Student Credit Card, Abua Awas, Mukhyamantri Pashudhan Yojana, Savitribai Phule Yojana have been implemented.
- The Chief Minister said that a target has been set to establish 5000 excellent schools in the state for quality education. At present 80 excellent schools are running in the state.
- On this occasion, the Chief Minister said that 800 kilometres of rural roads will be constructed in Dumka at a cost of Rs 650 crore, while 650 kilometres of roads will be built through the Road Construction Department at a cost of Rs 1000 crore.
- The Chief Minister said that 20 lakh additional green ration cards have been made for the poor of the state. Now 1 kg pulses will also be provided to these card holders.



CM inaugurated & laid the foundation stone of schemes worth Rs 467 crore

Why in News?

On December 19, 2023, Chief Minister Hemant Soren participated in the "Aapki Yojana, Aapki Sarkar, Aapke Dwar" program organised at Chhapar Toli in Kasira Panchayat of Gumla district and inaugurated & laid the foundation stone of schemes worth Rs 467 crore.

Key Points:

- Chief Minister Hemant Soren laid the foundation stone of 105 schemes worth Rs 402 crore.
- Chief Minister Hemant Soren inaugurated 45 schemes worth Rs 64 crore.
- Chief Minister Hemant Soren distributed assets worth Rs 204 crore to 1,45,091 beneficiaries.
- Chief Minister Hemant Soren handed over appointment letters to a total of 85 people under Compassion and DMFT.

Note:

- It was said in this program that an 800 km road is being constructed in Gumla district at a cost of Rs 625 crore and a 200 km road is being constructed at a cost of Rs 300 crore under the Rural Roads & Road Construction Department.
- It was said in this program that 9 irrigation schemes are being implemented at a cost of Rs 242 crore. Under this, a target has been set to irrigate 25 thousand acres of land.
- In this program, 25,332 adolescent girls were provided benefits under Savitribai Phule Kishori Samridhi Yojana.
- In this program, approval letters were given to 3804 beneficiaries under Birsa Irrigation Well Promotion Scheme.
- In this program, acceptance letters were given to 1050 beneficiaries under the Chief Minister Livestock Development Scheme.



Jharkhand Assembly again passes Domicile Bill

Why in News?

According to the information received from the media on December 21, 2023, the Domicile Bill based on 1932 land records has been passed again by the Jharkhand Legislative Assembly.

Key Points:

- In this Domicile Bill, land records of 1932 have been recognised to determine the residence status of the people.
- The bill provides that only the persons listed in Khatian (land records) or their ancestors will be considered local residents of Jharkhand.
- On the basis of this, they will be entitled to third and class government jobs in the state.
- It may be noted that the Domicile Bill passed by sound opinion was recently returned by Governor C.P. Radhakrishnan with some suggestions.
- The Government of Jharkhand passed the Domicile Bill 2022 on November 11, 2022 during a special session for the definition of local people and other benefits in Jharkhand, also known as the 1932 Khatian Bill.

For the first time in Jharkhand, NDMA conducted mock drill to deal with floods.

Why In News?

On December 21, 2023, to deal with floods in Jharkhand, a mock drill was organised by the National Disaster Management Authority in all 24 districts of the state including Dhurwa Dam in Ranchi.

Key Points:

- The main objective of this mock drill is to rescue the people trapped in the flood, provide relief to them, provide medical facilities and coordinate all the departments among themselves to carry out relief and rescue work.
- This mock drill was conducted under the guidance of Brigadier Birendra Thakar, representative of the National Disaster Management Authority, Government of India.
- In this mock drill, 5 teams of NDRF, 1 team of SDRF, electricity department, BSNL, medical team, municipal corporation, police department, transport department, drinking water department, district administration officials and fire brigade participated. ■■■

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