



World Kabaddi Day | Haryana | 27 Mar 2024

Why in News?

Recently, the **World Kabaddi Day** was celebrated on 24th March at **Tau Devi Lal Indoor Stadium, Panchkula, Haryana**.

Key Points

- **HIPSA (Holistic International Pravasi Sports Association)**, along with an organisation named **World Kabaddi**, jointly organized this year's event.
- A **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)** recently signed between HIPSA and the Government of Haryana, for **globally promoting Kabaddi**, was one of the main reasons to choose India as a venue and Haryana for the event.
- The **Governor of Haryana, Bandaru Dattatreya** was the **Chief Guest** and the Guinness World Record certificate was presented to the Governor by the Guinness team.
 - The Guinness World Record attempt was for **'Most players in a Kabaddi exhibition match'**.

World Kabaddi Day

- It has been celebrated every year on **March 24, since 2019**.
- **Theme:** Created by Men, Perfected by Women.
 - The theme was chosen to promote the game among the women and in line with the recent MoU with the **HIPSA** to develop and promote the sport of kabaddi globally.

HIPSA (Holistic International Pravasi Sports Association)

- It is a Not for Profit Company, registered under **Section 8 of the Companies Act 2013, headquartered in India**.
- It aims to promote and 'Integrate' **Pravasi Bhartiya youth** into India through the medium of Sports with a special focus on those Sports that India is proud of.
- **Cricket, Kabaddi, Chess, Kho-Kho, Mallakhamb, Kusti, Archery** are some of the Sports that our country has grown to become Internationally renowned.
- Sports, along with **'Yoga as a Practice' & 'Culture for Knowledge'** are the Holistic objectives laid down in HIPSA'S vision for the future.

Palwal: Top Spot in Child Birth Sex Ratio | Haryana | 27 Mar 2024

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According to a report of the **Health Department, Palwal district** ranked first in having the **best child birth sex ratio of 946 girls against 1,000 boys** in the state for the year 2023.

- 25 villages in the district have achieved 1,000 or higher child birth sex ratio.

Key Points

- The **district was ranked at 12th position in 2022**. Deputy Commissioner received the cash reward of Rs 5 lakh at a function held in Panchkula under the [Beti Bachao Beti Padhao campaign](#).
- The district recorded a total of 28,989 births between January and December 2023.
- The number of girl children born during this period was 14,090 against the birth of 14,899 boys making the average sex ratio touch the figure of 946 for the first time.
- **Panchkula and Fatehabad got the second and third position**, respectively, with a ratio of 942 and 934.
- While **Nuh and Gurugram remained at fourth and fifth position, Rohtak was placed at the bottom** with a figure of just 883 in 2023.
- Palwal's neighbouring district of **Faridabad got the 16th spot** with a ratio of 906 in 2023.
- The **state average child sex ratio was 906 in 2023**.
 - The child sex ratio is calculated as the number of girls per 1000 boys in the 0-6 years age group.

Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Campaign

- It was **launched in January 2015** with the aim to address **sex selective abortion and the declining child sex ratio** which was at 918 girls for every 1,000 boys in 2011.
- This is a **joint initiative** of the Ministry of Women and Child Development, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Ministry of Human Resource Development.
- The programme is being **implemented across 405 districts in the country**.

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