



15th Hockey Senior Men National Championship 2025

Why in News?

Punjab won the **15th Hockey India Senior Men's National Championship, 2025** by defeating Madhya Pradesh. Uttar Pradesh defeated Manipur to finish third.

Key Points

- **About the Championship:**
 - This championship was organised from 4 to **15 April** at the [Major Dhyan Chand Hockey Stadium](#) in **Jhansi, Uttar Pradesh** .
 - According to Hockey India, the tournament followed the same **division-based format as the Senior Women's National Championship**.
 - A total of 30 teams participated in the competition and were divided into three divisions – **Division A, Division B and Division C**.

Major Dhyan Chand

- Major Dhyan Chand He was a field hockey player who played international hockey **from the year 1926 to 1949** .
- He was a **three-time [Olympic](#) gold medalist** , winning gold in **the 1928, 1932, and 1936 Olympic editions**.
- His exceptional skills in the game earned him the title of '**Hockey Wizard**'.
- Dhyan Chand, along with his brother Roop Singh, contributed significantly to India's tally of 35 goals, leading to them being known as **the 'Hockey Twins'** .
- **In the year 1934**, Dhyan Chand was honoured **with the captaincy of the Indian team** .
- Major Dhyan Chand retired from the Army as a Major in the year 1956 and was awarded the [Padma Bhushan](#) .

[National Sports Day](#) is celebrated every year on **29 August** on the birth anniversary of Major Dhyan Chand to honour his contribution and promote **sports culture** .