



Indian Blind Sports Association

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USHA BLIND SPORTS CHAMPIONSHIPS OPENS

The 6-day USHA Sports Championships for the Blind organized by the Indian Blind Sports Association (IBSA) and Usha International, commenced today, in New Delhi. The event being held in the premises of the Blind Relief Association, Delhi was inaugurated by Mrs. Radhika Bharat Ram, Chairperson, IBSA, with the opening Kabaddi match played between JPM Senior Secondary School, New Delhi and National Federation of the Blind, Solan, Himachal Pradesh teams. Over 540 participants, including 140 female blind sports persons from ten states, namely, Bihar, Delhi, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Punjab, Rajasthan, Telangana and Uttarakhand are participating in this blind sports event which will conclude on Saturday, 13 January. The sports events include 4th IBSA Kabaddi Championships; 7th IBSA Powerlifting Championships; 2nd IBSA Judo Championship; and Coaching Camp and Seminar on Blind Sports.

Under the Coaching Camp 40 coaches and athletes from different parts of the country are been given special coaching by IBSA Chief Coach and Dronacharya Awardee Dr. Satyalpal Singh. Also a demonstration cum workshop on Goal ball was conducted.

In the Kabaddi Championships 20 teams are participating in Men's category and 6 in Women category. Of the 17 Men's Kabaddi matches played under four Pools today the results are as follows:

POOL A:

Match 1. JPM Sr. School for the Blind, Delhi beat National Federation of the Blind (NFB), Solan, Himachal Pradesh by 57 to 50 points.

Match 2. National Federation of the Blind (NFB), Delhi trounced Devnar Foundation for the Blind, Hyderabad, Telangana by 52 to 20 points.

Match 3. JPM Sr. School for the Blind, Delhi trounced Institution for the Blind, Delhi by 58 to 7 points.



Match 4. National Federation of the Blind (NFB), Solan Himachal Pradesh beat National Federation of the Blind, Delhi by 76 to 48 points.

POOL B:

Match 1. Netraheen Vikas Sansthan, Jodhpur, Rajasthan trounced NIVH Model School for the Visually Handicapped, Dehraun, Uttarakhand by 86 to 23 points.

Match 2. Blind Persons Association, Hamirpur, Himachal Pradesh beat Kirori Mal College, Delhi by 48 to 46 points.

Match 3. Netraheen Vikas Sansthan, Jodhpur, Rajasthan beat Child Old Blind Home Welfare Society, Delhi by 64 to 44 points.

POOL C:

Match 1: National Sports Club of the Blind NSCB, Mumbai, Maharashtra beat Vocational Training Centre, BRA, Delhi by 38 to 36 points.

Match 2. Navdrishti Social and Welfare Society, Delhi defeated National Association for the Blind (NFB), Bihar by 42 to 10 points.

Match 3. Anand Singh Smarak, Delhi beat Vocational Training Centre, BRA, Delhi by 36 to 20 points.

POOL D:

Match 1. Deepanjali Trust for the Disabled, Bangalore, Karnataka trounced Telangana Para Blind Sports Association, Hyderabad by 66 to 21 points.

Match 2. Association for the Blind Persons, Delhi - Walk over.

Match. 3. Association for the Blind Persons, Delhi beat School & Home for Visually Challenged Children, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh by 27 to 21 points.

Match 4. A.I.A.S.H.A., Mumbai, Maharashtra beat Deepanjali Trust for the Disabled, Bangalore, Karnataka by 67 to 66 points.

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