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## 1. Mission Olympic Cell approved Neeraj Chopra's proposal to train in Kuortane, Finland ( June 2, 2023 )

The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS) Mission Olympic Cell (MOC) on 28th May approved Olympic Gold Medallist Neeraj Chopra's proposal to train in Kuortane, Finland.

#### An overview of the news

- Neeraj will train at the Kurtane Olympic Training Center in Finland.
- He is scheduled to compete in several **World Athletics events next month**.
- The MOC members also approved paddler **Payas Jain's** proposal for an advanced training camp in Taiwan.
- Proposals to get Indian table tennis stars Manika Batra and Sathiyan
   Gnanasekaran's personal trainers Aman Balgu and Raman Subramaniam for a number of events were also approved by the MOC.
- The ministry said that the financial assistance will cover air travel expenses of the players, camp expenses, boarding and lodging expenses, medical insurance and pocket money apart from other expenses.
- Neeraj, who recently became the first Indian Javelin thrower to become World Number One, followed a similar training plan in 2022 as well.

### 2. Prannoy wins BWF World Tour title for the first time ( June 1, 2023 )

Prannoy won his maiden BWF World Tour title on 28 May 2023 by emerging victorious at the Malaysia Masters Super 500 tournament held in Kuala Lumpur.

#### **An Overview of the News**

- After six years, Prannoy captured the championship title by defeating **Weng Hong Yang of China** in a thrilling men's singles final.
- Prannoy is ranked 34th in the world and had **earlier won a bronze medal at the 2022 Asian Championships.**
- The win ensured India's first singles title of the year.

### Malaysia:

- It is a South East Asian country.
- It occupies parts of the Malay Peninsula and the island of Borneo.
- Capital Federal Territory of Kuala Lumpur
- Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim

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Official language - **Malay** 

## 3. Savitribai Phule Pune University won its first gold medal in the women's tennis event at the Khelo India University Games ( May 31, 2023 )

first-gold-medal-in-the-women's-tennis-event-at-the-Khelo-India-University-Games Khelo India University Games: **Savitribai Phule Pune University won the first gold medal** by defeating Osmania University in the **women's tennis event.** 

#### **An Overview of the News**

- They won 2-0 over defending champions **Osmania University** in the final match.
- The tournament took place at the **Ekana International Tennis Stadium in Lucknow.**
- The Jain University women's tennis team won the bronze medal by defeating Madras University by a score of 2-0.
- The match between **Anna University and Bharathiar University** went into a deciding double, with Anna University eventually winning in a super tie-break.
- **Gujarat University won the bronze medal** in a closely fought match against Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT) with a score of 2-1.

#### **About Uttar Pradesh**

- Uttar Pradesh is a state located in the **northern part of India.**
- It has a population of over 240 million, making it the **most populous state in India** as well as the most populous subdivision in the world.
- The state was officially established in 1950.

Chief Minister - Yogi Adityanath

Capital - Lucknow

Governor - Anandiben Patel

Rajva Sabha - 31 seats

Lok Sabha - 80 seats

## 4. India won the CAVA Women's Challenge Cup 2023 title (May 30, 2023)

**India won the NSC-CAVA Women's Volleyball Challenge Cup title** held in Kathmandu.

An Overview of the News

- The final match was held at the **National Sports Council covered hall at Tripureshwor, Kathmandu.**
- India became the champion by defeating Kazakhstan in the final.
- India won 3-0 over Kazakhstan.
- India remained undefeated in the entire competition.
- The tournament was organised by the **Nepal Volleyball Association**.
- The National Sports Council provided support for the event.
- Eight countries participated in the competition.
- The final standings were as follows:

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• Runner-up: **Kazakhstan** 

3rd place: Nepal

4th place: Uzbekistan

5th place: Sri Lanka

• 6th place: Kyrgyzstan

7th place: Maldives

• 8th place: Bangladesh.

#### **About Nepal**

- The kingdom of Nepal was established by the Shah dynasty.
- It is a **landlocked country** in South Asia.
- Prime Minister Pushpa Kamal Dahal
- President Ram Chandra Paudel
- Capital Kathmandu

Currency - Nepalese Rupee

# 5. Chennai Super Kings win IPL 2023 beating defending champions Gujarat Titans ( May 30, 2023 )

Chennai-Super-Kings-win-IPL-2023

Chennai Super Kings won their fifth IPL title by defeating defending champions Gujarat Titans by 5 wickets in a rain-curtailed match at the Narendra Modi Stadium in Ahmedabad on 29 May.

#### An overview of the news

- Chasing a revised victory target of 171 runs in 15 overs against defending champions Gujarat Titans, Chennai Super Kings reached the target in the last ball of the final over with the loss of 5 wickets.
- CSK equaled Mumbai Indians' record for most number of tournament wins.
- Chennai Super Kings won the toss and invited Gujarat Titans to bat first, scoring 214 runs in 20 overs.
- After this, Chennai got the target of 171 runs in 15 overs due to Duckworth-Lewis rule due to rain.
- In the last over, CSK needed 13 runs to win. Three runs came off the first four balls. After this, CSK needed 10 runs from the last two balls. Ravindra Jadeja was on strike. Jadeja hit a six on the fifth ball.
- Jadeja gave the victory to Chennai by hitting a four in the last ball. With this win, Chennai have equaled Mumbai's record of winning the title five times.

### **Highlights**

- MS Dhoni gets the winning cheque
- Hardik Pandya get runner up trophy
- Shubman Gill wins Orange Cap
- Purple Cap to Mohammad Shami
- Shubman Gill wins most valuable player of the season
- Devon Conway wins player of the match
- Chennai Super Kings: 171/5 (15)
- **Gujarat Titans**: 214/4 (20)

## 6. MOC approves Neeraj Chopra's proposal to train in Kuortane ( May 29, 2023 )

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The Mission Olympic Cell (MOC) accepted Neeraj Chopra's proposal to train in Kuortane, Finland.

#### An Overview of the News

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- MOC approved paddler Payas Jain's proposal for an advanced training camp in Taiwan.
- Manika Batra and Sathiyan Gnanasekaran, Indian table tennis stars, received approval for their proposals to bring in personal coaches Aman Balgu and Raman Subramanian respectively for several events.

• Accepted proposals will cover expenses like air travel, camping expenses, boarding and lodging cost, medical insurance and out-of-pocket allowance.

#### **About Finland**

- It is a northern European nation and shares borders with Sweden, Norway, and Russia.
- The capital city of Finland is Helsinki.
- Helsinki is situated on a peninsula and is surrounded by islands in the Baltic Sea.
- Suomenlinna, an 18th-century sea fort, is a major attraction in Helsinki.
- The Northern Lights or Aurora Borealis can be seen in the Arctic Lapland province of Finland.

President - Sauli Niinisto

Prime Minister - Sanna Marin

# 7. Indian Murali Sreeshankar won Gold Medal in International Jumping Meeting ( May 27, 2023 )

Indian long jumper Murali Sreeshankar won the gold medal at the International Jumping meeting in Greece.

#### An Overview of the News

- Sreeshankar jumped a season's best of 8.18m.
- National record holder **Jeswin Aldrin won the silver medal** in the long jumper.
- The International Jumping Meeting is a **World Athletics Continental Tour bronze** level event.

### **International Jumping Meeting:**

- Since 2011, the International Jumping Meeting has been organised every year in May.
- Participants from 16 different countries compete in the event, which serves as a
  qualification event organised by SEGAS (Hellenic Athletics Federation) for major
  competitions held in Europe and around the world.
- In particular, the event attracts famous athletes who have previously won medals at Olympic, World and European competitions.
- The Municipal Stadium of Kallithea serves as the venue for this prestigious event.

#### **Greece:**

- It is located in **Southeastern Europe.**
- The country has many islands in the Aegean and Ionian seas.
- Santorini is known for its distinctive black sand.
- Mykonos is famous for its lively party resorts.
- Capital and largest city Athens
- Official language Greek
- President Katerina Sakellaropoulou
- Prime Minister Ioannis Sarmas

## 8. Indian Long jumper Murali Sreeshankar wins gold at International Jumping Meeting in Greece ( May 25, 2023 )

Murali Sreeshankar won gold

Indian Long jumper Murali Sreeshankar won gold while compatriot Jeswin Aldrin finished bagged silver at the International Jumping Meeting 2023 at Kallithea in Greece on 24th May.

#### An overview of the news

- Kerala's **Murali Sreesankar won the gold medal** in the International Jumping Meet with a jump of **8.31 metres.**
- Sreeshankar, who has played in the Tokyo Olympics, holds the national record of 8.36 metres.
- Sweden's **Tobias Montaller won the silver** with a jump of **8.27m**, while France's **Jules Pommery won the bronze**.
- This was Murali Sreesankar's third competition of the year and also won the third gold medal.
- Jeswin Aldrin claimed silver with an effort of 7.85m.

## 9. Govindraj elected as President of Basketball Federation of India ( May 25, 2023 )

President of Basketball Federation of India

Dr. Govindraj has been elected as the President of the Basketball Federation of India.

#### An Overview of the News

- He is a Congress MLC and holds the position of **President of International Basketball Federation (FIBA), Asia and President of Karnataka Olympic Association.**
- Dr. Govindaraj is the first Indian to be unanimously nominated as the President of FIBA Asia.
- The nomination was confirmed at the FIBA Asia Congress, making Dr. Govindaraj the first Indian to lead the International Basketball Federation in Asia, which comprises 44 countries.
- He succeeds Sheikh Saud Ali Al Thani of Qatar, who served as the head of FIBA Asia for four consecutive terms since 2002.

#### International Basketball Federation (FIBA)

• It is a federation of national organisations **governing basketball around the world.** 

- It defines the rules of basketball, ensuring consistency and fairness across different countries and competitions.
- It hosts international competitions such as the FIBA Basketball World Cup and the Olympic Basketball Tournament.
- It consists of 212 national federations organised into five regions: **Africa, America, Asia, Europe and Oceania.**

Establishment - 18 June 1932

Headquarters - Mies, Switzerland

President - Hamane Niang

# 10. Indian shooters Ganemat Sekhon, Darshna Rathore create history ( May 24, 2023 )

Indian-shooters

India for the first time on 24 May won two senior individual medals in women's skeet at International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) World Cup stage in Almaty, Kazakhstan.

#### An overview of the news

- Ganemat Sekhon won the silver, his second ever individual World Cup medal.
- Making her first appearance at the senior level, **Darshana Rathore won the bronze medal** and this was her debut performance.
- Asem Orinbay of Kazakhstan won the gold medal via shoot-off.
- Mairaj Khan, Gurjot Khangura and Anantjit Singh Naruka participated in the men's skit but none made it to the finals.

## **ISSF World Championship**

- The championship is administered by the **International Shooting Sport Federation** (ISSF).
- These championships, including all shooting events of the ISSF, have been held every four years since 1954.