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## **1. Aman Sehrawat Claims Silver at Budapest Ranking Series ( June 8, 2024 )**

Indian wrestler Aman Sehrawat won the silver medal at the Polyak Imre and Varga Janos Memorial 2024 wrestling tournament in Budapest, Hungary.

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

- Sehrawat lost the men's 57kg final to Japan's Rei Higuchi, a former world champion and Rio 2016 silver medallist, with a score of 11-1.
- Higuchi also secured a silver medal at the world championships last year.
- Sehrawat defeated Roberti Dingashvili of Georgia 11-1 in the quarter-finals. He won against Aryan Tsiutryn, the 2021 world championships bronze medallist, 14-4 in the semi-finals.

### **Key Points of Aman Sehrawat's Career:**

- Sehrawat is the 2023 Asian champion and a 2022 Under-23 world champion.
- He is the only male wrestler from India participating in this tournament.
- The 20-year-old secured a Paris 2024 Olympics quota for India through the World Olympic Wrestling Qualifiers in Istanbul, Turkiye, last month.

### **Other Indian Competitors:**

- Antim Panghal, Vinesh Phogat (50kg), and Anshu Malik (57kg) will compete in the Budapest ranking series over the next two days.
- Antim Panghal obtained India's first wrestling quota for Paris 2024 at the world championships last year.

### **Tournament Significance:**

- The tournament is the final wrestling ranking series before the Paris 2024 Olympics.
- Wrestlers will earn points to determine their rankings, which will influence the seeding at the upcoming Summer Games.

### **India's Olympic Quotas:**

- India has secured a total of six quotas for Paris 2024: five in women's wrestling and one in men's freestyle.

## **2. Antim Panghal wins bronze medal at World Championships ( Sept. 22, 2023 )**

Young Indian wrestler Antim Panghal won a bronze medal in the women's 53 kg category at the World Championships in Belgrade, Serbia.

## **An Overview of the News**

- Panghal's victory also secured a quota for India in the 2024 Paris Olympics.
- In the bronze medal match, Panghal defeated two-time European champion Emma Jonna Denise Malmgren by a score of 16-6, India's first medal in the ongoing edition of the World Championships.
- This achievement added India's total medal tally at the World Championships to 23, which includes one gold, five silver, and 17 bronze medals.

## **Antim Panghal's Remarkable Journey to Bronze Medal:**

- She started by defeating the 2022 world champion, Dominique Olivia Parrish of the United States, in the opening round by a score of 3-2.
- Panghal continued her winning streak by defeating Roxana Marta Zasina of Poland in the round of 16.
- In the quarterfinals, she had a remarkable win over Natalia Malysheva of Russia with a score of 9-6.
- Panghal lost 5-4 to Belarus's Vanessa Kaladzinskaya in the women's 53kg freestyle semi-finals.

## **Medals in Women's Wrestling 53 kg category:**

- Japan's Fujinami Akari won the gold medal.
- Vanessa Kaladzinskaya earned a silver medal representing the individual neutral athletes.
- Ecuador's Lucia Yopez and United World Wrestling's Antim Panghal both won bronze medals.

## **3. Priya Malik wins gold at U20 World Wrestling Championships in Jordan ( Aug. 19, 2023 )**

Priya-Malik-wins-gold-at-U20-World-Wrestling-Championships-in-Jordan

Indian wrestler Priya Malik achieved a remarkable feat by bagging the gold medal at the ongoing U20 World Wrestling Championships in Jordan.

## **An Overview of the News**

- The win makes Priya Malik only the second Indian woman to earn a gold medal in this prestigious competition.
- Competing in the 76 kg category, Priya showed her prowess by defeating Germany's Laura Kuehn with a decisive score of 5-0 in the gold medal match.
- **Her achievement is particularly significant as she joins Antim Panghal, who had previously won a gold medal in the same competition.**
- Priya Malik's success has contributed to India's outstanding performance at the U20 World Wrestling Championships under the Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS).

- This win is the second time that India has earned two gold medals in the same championship. **The last time this happened was in 2001.**

**Bronze medal of athlete Arju**

- Along with Priya's win, another Indian wrestler named Arju, who is part of the Khelo India initiative, showcased her skills in the 68 kg category.
- Arju's achievement includes winning the bronze medal after defeating Turkey's Elif Kurt in the bronze medal match.

**Impressive medal tally for India**

The country's medal tally totaled twelve medals: four gold, two silver, and six bronze.

**List of Indian medal winners in U20 World Wrestling Championships 2023:****Gold Medals:**

1. Mohit Kumar - Achieved gold in Men's freestyle 61kg category.
2. Priya Malik - Secured gold in the Women's 76kg category.
3. Antim Panghal - Earned gold in Women's 53kg category.
4. Savita - Clinched gold in the Women's 62kg category.

**Silver Medals:**

1. Sagar Jaglan - Attained silver in the Men's freestyle 79kg category.
2. Antim - Secured silver in Women's 65kg category.

**Bronze Medals:**

1. Jaideep - secured a bronze medal in the Men's freestyle 74kg category.
2. Deepak Chahal - Earned a bronze medal in the Men's freestyle 97kg category.
3. Rajat Ruhail - Achieved a bronze medal in Men's freestyle 125kg category.
4. Arju - Clinched a bronze medal in the Women's 68kg category.
5. Reena - Attained a bronze medal in the Women's 57kg category.
6. Harshita Mor - secured a bronze medal in the Women's 72kg category.

**4. India won total 14 medals in Asian Wrestling Championship 2023 ( April 18, 2023 )**

India participated in the **36th edition of Asian Wrestling Championship to be held in Astana, Kazakhstan** from 9th to 14th April 2023. The event was originally planned to be held in New Delhi, India.

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

- A total of **331 wrestlers from 22 countries** participated in this competition, out of which **30 wrestlers were from India.**
- Indian wrestlers were successful in winning a total of **14 medals in the championship. This includes one gold, three silver and ten bronze medals.**
- With these achievements, India secured the **7th position in the medal tally.**
- The top three nations in the medal table based on gold medals were **Kazakhstan, Japan and Iran.**
- The previous edition of the Asian Wrestling Championships, the **35th edition, was held in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia** from April 19 to April 24 in 2022.

### **Medal Winner for India**

1. **Aman Sehrawat** (Men's 57kg Freestyle) - **Gold**
2. **Rupin** (Greco-Roman 55 kg) - **Silver**
3. **Antim Panghal** (Women's 53kg Freestyle) - **Silver**
4. **Nisha Dahiya** (Women's 68 kg Freestyle) - **Silver**
5. **Anirudh Kumar** (Men's 125kg Freestyle) - **Bronze**
6. **Deepak** (Men's 79 kg Freestyle) - **Bronze**
7. **Neeraj Chikara** (Greco-Roman 63kg) - **Bronze**
8. **Sunil Kumar** (Greco-Roman 87kg) - **Bronze**
9. **Vikas** (Greco-Roman 72 kg) - **Bronze**
10. **Anshu Malik** (Women's 57kg Freestyle) - **Bronze**
11. **Sonam Malik** (Women's 62kg Freestyle) - **Bronze**
12. **Manisha** (Women's 65kg Freestyle) - **Bronze**
13. **Ritika Hooda** (Women's 72kg Freestyle) - **Bronze**
14. **Priya** (Women's 76kg Freestyle) - **Bronze**

### **About Kazakhstan**

- It is a **Central Asian country** that was once a part of the Soviet Union. It became an **independent nation in 1991** after the dissolution of the Soviet Union.

- The country is the **ninth largest country in the world by land area**, stretching from the **Caspian Sea** in the west to the Altai Mountains in the east.
- The **capital of Kazakhstan is Nur-Sultan**, which was renamed from Astana in 2019. It is a modern city known for its futuristic architecture.

### **5. Indian female wrestler Antim Panghal nominated for United World Wrestling Rising Star of the Year honour ( Dec. 24, 2022 )**

India's female wrestler, **Antim Panghal**, has been nominated for the honour of **United World Wrestling 2022 Rising Star of the Year**.

#### **Important facts**

- Antim Panghal created history in August this year by earning **India's first gold medal** at the World U20 Wrestling Championships 2022.
- She beat **Germany's Amory Olivia Andrich** 11-0 on her way to the top of the podium, and beat Kazakhstan's U20 Asian medalist **Altyn Shagayeva** in the 53kg final.
- Antim Panghal participated in four international competitions this year for different age groups. She finished the season with **16 wins** and just one loss.
- She earned gold medals in the U20 World Championships, U20 Asian Championships, and the senior category competition known as the **Zouhaier Sghaier Ranking Series**.

### **Other women nominated for the United World Wrestling 2022 Rising Star of the Year award -**

1. Nonoka Ozaki of Japan,
2. Amit Elor of the United States,
3. Emma Malmgren of Sweden,
4. Andreea Ana of Romania

### **6. Antim Panghal nominated for the United World Wrestling 2022 Rising Star of the Year award ( Dec. 22, 2022 )**

Indian women's wrestler **Antim Panghal** has been nominated for United World Wrestling 2022 **Rising Star of the Year award**. Japan's **Nonoka Ozaki**, USA's **Amit Elor**, Sweden's **Emma Malmgren** and **Andreea Ana** of Romania are the other in the five-woman nominees list for the United World Wrestling 2022 Rising Star of the Year award.

Antim Panghal created history this year by winning India's first-ever gold medal at the [World U20 Wrestling Championships 2022](#) in August. The 18-year-old freestyle wrestler from Haryana is also the reigning Asian champion in the same age category. She also won the senior category event, Zouhaier Sghaier Ranking Series.

19 year old **Nonoka Ozaki** of Japan has won gold medals in the senior world championships and the Asian championship this year in the 62 kg category.

18 year old American wrestler **Amit Elor**, is the reigning U23 and the senior world champion in 72kg.

21 year old **Emma Malmgren** of Sweden is world No. 4 in 53kg and is the European champion in seniors. **Andreea Ana** of Romania is the senior European champion in the 55kg.

### **United World Wrestling**

It is the international governing body of amateur wrestling in the world. It was earlier known as the FILA (*Fédération Internationale des Luttes Associées*) or International Federation of Amateur Wrestling.

**Headquarters:** Corsier-sur-Vevey, Switzerland

**President:** Nenad Lalović

## **7. Wrestler Antim Panghal becomes first ever Indian woman to win gold at U20 World Championships ( Aug. 20, 2022 )**

**Antim Panghal created history as she became the first Indian female wrestler ever to clinch gold at the Under 20 Wrestling World Championships.**

### **IMPORTANT FACTS -**

- She defeated Altyn Shagayeva of Kazakhstan 8-0 in the final of the 53kg weight category.
- She topped the podium in the 53kg category at the World Championships being held in Sofia, Bulgaria on 18 August.
- Six other Indian wrestlers have reached the finals of the Under-20 World Championships before Panghal, but the 17-year-old Panghal is the first Indian woman to win gold.
- Prior to this, she has won bronze at the Cadet World Championships (2021) and gold at the Asian Junior Championships (2022).
- He also won a silver medal at the Under 23 Asian Championship this year.
- It is being held in Sofia, Bulgaria from 15 to 21 August 2022.