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<u>University of Jammu Inaugurates Inter-Collegiate Kabaddi</u> (Women) Tournament 2025–26

The Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu, inaugurated the Inter-Collegiate Kabaddi (Women) Tournament 2025–26, a flagship sporting event designed to foster physical well-being, teamwork, resilience, and sportsmanship among young students. This highly anticipated tournament serves as an esteemed platform for the students of the University's affiliated colleges to display their athletic abilities, strategic acumen, and competitive spirit, by providing opportunities for rigorous participation and spirited competition, the tournament continues to play a pivotal role in motivating students to embrace an active lifestyle, while simultaneously nurturing camaraderie, unity, and mutual respect through the traditional and culturally rich sport of Kabaddi.

Prominent faculty members and officials present on the occasion included Dr. Mandeep Singh, Dr. Vimal Kishore, Sh. Raj Kumar Bakshi, Sh. Ravish Vaid, Sh. Vikas Karlopia, Sh. Gagan Kumar, Sh. Jai Bharat, Dr. Inderjeet Singh, Dr. Mahak, S. Harinderpal Singh, Ms. Richa Mandla, and Mr. Rishiv Sharma, along with various officials and participants representing affiliated colleges of the University of Jammu. Their presence added significance to the event and reflected the University's collective commitment to promoting a vibrant sports culture.

Day One Highlights:

The inaugural day of the tournament witnessed thrilling contests and an exceptional display of skill and strategy by the participating teams. Each match was marked by competitive spirit and high energy, underscoring the growing popularity of Kabaddi among students.

Results of Day One Matches:

- GDC Gaghwal defeated GDC Sunderbani by 6 points.
- GCW Kathua defeated GDC Marheen by 12 points.
- GDC Billawar defeated GDC Ramnagar by 8 points.
- GDC Billawar defeated GCW Kathua by 10 points.

The matches were characterized by intense competition and outstanding performances, reflecting the dedication and rigorous preparation of the participating teams.

The tournament is being conducted under the overall supervision of **Dr. Daud Iqbal Baba**, Director, Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu.

The technical panel for officiating the matches comprised Sh. Anil Sharma, Sh. Ajay Gupta, Sh. Dheeraj Sharma, Sh. Keshav Singh, S. Amandeep Singh, and Sh. Gagan Kumar, whose professional expertise ensured that all matches were conducted with fairness and in strict adherence to the rules of the game.

