



Olympic Day 2019

The Indian Olympic Association along with its member units joined millions from around the world to celebrate the joy of sport on the occasion of Olympic Day and the 125th anniversary of the formation of the IOC, on 23 June 2019.

Joining the Olympic Day celebrations, Hon'ble Minister of Sports, Mr Kiren Rijiju urged people to stay active for good health and reminded athletes to stay committed to clean sports. 6-time World Champion and Olympic medallist boxer Ms M. C. Mary Kom and 20km Race Waking National Record holder Mr Irfan K. T. also joined Team India's digital campaign in spreading awareness about Olympic Day and its principles of Move, Learn and Discover.

This year, 13 State Olympic Associations in India including Arunachal Pradesh, West Bengal, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Himachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Karnataka, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Sikkim, Jharkhand and Uttaranchal organized various sports activities, competitions, educational seminars and Olympic Day Runs as a part of their celebrations for the day.

IOA President Dr Narinder Dhruv Batra and Secretary General, Mr Rajeev Mehta extended their greetings to all the members on the occasion of Olympic Day and the 125th anniversary of the Olympic Movement from Lausanne, where he was attending the













Arunachal Pradesh

Arunachal Olympic Association celebrated world Olympic Day in the State by organizing the Olympic Day Run for school children and general public in the capital city of Itanagar. The Run which saw participation of as many as 500 enthusiasts was flagged-off by the Director of Sports Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Mr Tadar Appa. Hon'ble Minister of State for Youth Affairs and Sports, Mr Mama Natung presided over as chief guest of the special programme held as part of the celebrations.

Arunachal Olympic Association, on the occasion of Olympic Day also honoured 17 coaches, under whose guidance athletes had won laurels for the State and Nation. Various other sports activities and competitions were conducted in the cities of Tirap, East Kameng and Lower Subansiri.

















Bihar

Bihar Olympic Association observed the Olympic Week celebrations in 5 different cities in the State. Olympic Day Run and functions were organized at Darbhanga, Bhagalpur, Gaya, Motihari and Siwan.

Chhattisgarh

Chhattisgarh Olympic Association conducted a workshop on 'Sports Injuries' to mark the celebrations in the State on occasion of the world Olympic Day. Hundreds of young sports talents, coaches and enthusiasts reaped benefits of the workshop that was mainly focussed on sports injuries and its preventions. MLA Mr Kuldeep Juneja inaugurated the workshop in presence of IOA Joint Secretary Mr Vikram Singh Sisodia, who also extended Olympic Day greetings to all.

Jharkhand

The Jharkhand Olympic Association celebrated Olympic Day, organizing week-long activities in various districts in coordination with the District Olympic Associations. At the capital in Ranchi, the Jharkhand Olympic Association organized a 2-day workshop on 'Sports Marketing', seminar on 'Anti-Doping', awareness programme against 'Women Harassment in Sports', a session on 'Career in Sports' and the Olympic Day Run on 23 June. In Dhanbad, the Olympic Day Run saw participation by hundreds of enthusiasts, marking the beginning of the week-long Olympic Day celebrations in the city which also included sporting events like Kabaddi, Kho Kho, Archery and Volleyball.



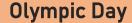














Karnataka

Karnataka Olympic Association marked Olympic Day celebrations in the State by organizing the Olympic Day Run in the city of Mandya with as many as 3000 participants joining in for the celebrations.

Madhya Pradesh

Madhya Pradesh Olympic Association observed Olympic Day celebrations from 23 to 26 June in the State. The festivities began with the Olympic Day Run being conducted on 23 June with close to 3000 participants joining in at Jabalpur and Bhopal. City Mayor, Dr Swati Godbole presided over as chief guest of the Olympic Day Run at the Wright Town Stadium. Madha Pradesh Olympic Association also organized seminars on 'Sports Psychology' and 'Sports Injury' for the young athletes, sports trainers and coaches etc.

Celebrations in the State came to end with Canoe, Table Tennis and Badminton competitions being organized in Indore and Bhopal. Madhya Pradesh Olympic Association Secretary, Mr Digvijay Singh spoke on the significance of the Olympic movement, Olympic Games and the principles of the Olympic Day. Mr Digvijay Singh and IOA Executive Council Member Mr Balbir Singh Kushwaha also actively participated in





















Maharashtra

Maharashtra Olympic Association observed Olympic week celebrations in the State from 23 to 29 June, conducting Olympic Day Run and other activities in the city of Pune. The State Olympic Association also organized cultural events, competitions and demonstration of sports.







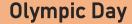
Meghalaya

Meghalaya State Olympic Association conducted their annual Olympic Day Run 'Run Shillong 10k', Inter-College Sports quiz competition, a non-competitive 'Run for Fun' race and exhibition events in Kho Kho and Football as a part of the State's Olympic Day celebrations. Hon'ble Minister of State for Youth Affairs and Sports, Mr Banteidor Lyngdoh, joined the festivities to flag-off the races and distribute the awards. More than 300 athletes including youngsters and senior citizens participated in the Olympic Day celebrations in Meghalaya.











Uttar Pradesh

The Olympic Day celebrations in the State of Uttar Pradesh was marked with Olympic Day Runs being conducted in as many as 9 cities. Runs were organized in Ghaziabad, Jhansi, Varanasi, Meerut, Mirzapur, Lucknow, Aligarh, Saharanpur, Kanpur and Fatehpur. 'Importance of Sports in life' was promoted at the events and approximately 1500 participants joined in the celebrations with their families.

IOA Treasurer and Uttar Pradesh Olympic Association General Secretary Mr Anandeshwar Panday joined Director of Sports Government of Uttar Pradesh, Mr R. P. Singh to flag-off the Olympic Day Run in Lucknow. Mr Panday delivered the message about the importance of Olympic Day.











Uttarakhand

Olympic Day celebrations in the State of Uttarakhand were marked by Olympic Day Run being organized in the city of Rudrapur by the Uttaranchal Olympic Association. Secretary General, Dr D. K. Singh actively took part in the celebrations in the State and flagged-off the Olympic Day Run. Participation was at an all-time high this edition.











Himachal Pradesh

Himachal Pradesh Olympic Association conducted Olympic Day Run in Shimla to celebrate Olympic Day in the State. The State unit also conducted demonstration of Martial Art as a part of the celebrations. Chief Guests at the function included the Hon'ble Minister of State for Education & Law, Mr Suresh Bhardwaj, Hon'ble Minister of State for Rural Development Mr Kanwar Virender Singh. Also in attendance were Himachal Pradesh State Secretary for Sports, Director of Sports and Secretary of Himachal Pradesh Olympic Association Mr Rajesh Bhandari.



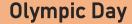














Manipur

Manipur Olympic Association observed Olympic Day celebrations in the State by conducting Olympic Day Runs in the capital city of Imphal and at Jiribam. The celebration in Imphal was graced by the presence of the Hon'ble Minster of State for Youth Affairs and Sport, Mr Letpao Haokip who also flagged-off the run and addressed the more than 1500 participants who had gathered to celebrate the spirit of sport. The programme was also attended by the Commissioner Youth Affairs and Sport Government of Manipur, Mr Bobby Waikom, officials of the Manipur Olympic Association Senior Vice President Mr G A Ibopishak Sharma, Vice President Mr Th Joykumar and Secretary Mr Sunil Elangbam.









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