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WISHING YOU ALL A VERY HAPPY TRUE SPORTSMANSHIP

Aurangabad's Shiv Chhatrapati Awardee in Gymnastics Dr. Makrand Joshi has become the



New General Secretary of Maharashtra Amateur Gymnastics Association in a meeting held at Aurangabad on 17th May 2015. Dr. Makrand, who is also an International Judge in Aerobic Gymnastics, was clear favourite for the coveted post as he was elected unopposed by 53 members from 28 District of Maharashtra including Government Units i. e. Sports Authority of India, Krida Prabodhini and other units like Aurangabad, Akola, Amravati,

Ahmednagar, Beed, Chandrapur, Dhule, Hingoli, Jalna, Jalgaon, Kolhapur, Mumbai City, Nanded, Nandurwar, Nagpur, Osmanabad, Pimpri-Chinchwad, Parbhani, Solapur, Sangli, Satara, Sindhudurg, Thane, Washim and Yavatmal in the august presence of Mr. Piyush Sharma GFI's Adhoc Committee member & IOA Observer and Mr. Dhananjay Bhonsle, an Observer from Maharashtra Olympic Association. Mr. Sanjay Shete (Mumbai) and Mr. Pawan Bhoir (Thane) were also elected unopposed as President and Treasurer of Maharashtra Amateur Gymnastics Association.



Rhythmic Gymnastics demonstration was given on 7th May 2015 by RG girls trained by Mrs. Varsha Upadhye at Raigarh organized by Raigarh District Sports Sankul. The demonstration



was given in august presence of Honorable Education & Sports Minister of Maharashtra Mr. Vinod Tawde, who appreciated and congratulated the gymnasts and given a cash prize of Rs. 51,000/-. Honorable Minister also sent a message to the coach **"It was a superb show by**

your gymnast girls congrats”. Mrs. Varsha Upadhye has the target to hit 2018 Commonwealth Games in Rhythmic Gymnastics.

Gymnastics Federation of India’s Adhoc Committee & Sports Authority of India conducted selection trials in Artistic Gymnastics at IG Stadium New Delhi on 18th & 19th June 2015 to participate in 6th Senior Asian Artistic Gymnastics Championship which will be held at Hiroshima Japan from 31st July to 2nd August 2015. Total 13 girls and 18 boys took part in the selection trials and result are as follows: **Women:** 1-Dipa Karmakar (52.00), 2-Pranati Das (47.15), 3-Pranati Nayak (46.70), 4-B. Aruna Reddy (46.05), 5-Shravani Rout (45.60), 6-Dwija Asher (44.80), 7-Shraddha Talekar (44.20), 8-Mandira Hazra Chaudhary (42.75), 9-Payal Bhattacharya (42.55), 10-Bhakti Tewari (40.10), 11-Swastika Ganguli (39.60), 12-Shravani Vaidya (38.95), 13-Urvi Abhyankar (38.90), **Men:** 1-Rakesh Kumar Patra (79.75), 2-Ashish Kumar (77.80), 3-Chandan Pathak (76.75), 4-Aditya Singh Rana (76.00), 5-Siddharth Verma (75.10), 6-Abhijit Shinde (74.85), 7-Abhijit Kumar (74.80), 8-Md. Bobby (73.85), 9-Someshwar Rana (73.75), 10-Partho Mondal (72.00), 11-Yogeshwar Singh (71.80), 12-Abhilekh (68.70), 13- Pratip Das (68.10), 14-Hitesh Kumar (65.65), 15-Indranil Ghosh (60.30), 16-Gobindo Pramanik (45.70). Anil Mullick participated only in FX (11.65) & RR (9.50) while Dhan Bahadur (52.70) participated in 4 events i. e. PH (14.20), RR (12.50), PB (13.15) & HB (12.45). The performance of gymnasts in above selection trials was evaluated by Mr. Deepak Kabra, Mr. Pravin Dhage, Mr. Satpal Chhabra, Mr. Sanjay More and Mr. R. L. Verma in Boys section while Mrs. Sanjivini Purnapatre, Ms. Kalpana Debnath, Mrs. Smriti Sharma, Mrs. Raj Duria and Ms. Mitali Adhikari in Girls section. (6 girls & 1 boy from Maharashtra in above trials) Congrats Judges and Gymnasts

Maharashtra Olympic Association (MOA) is going to organize Mini Olympics in 20 games and sports in Maharashtra in July-August 2015. Gymnastics in MAG, WAG, RG, Acrobatics, Aerobics, Trampoline/Tumbling and Fencing is allotted to Aurangabad district. Keeping this in view, Maharashtra Amateur Gymnastics Association’s newly elected General Secretary Mr. Makrand Joshi had a meeting of its Executive members under the chairmanship of Mr. Uttam Latpate to discuss regarding Mini Olympics and decided to conduct Judge’s Courses in all the 5 disciplines of Gymnastics to upgrade the latest knowledge of the judges as well as new induction of the judges in the Association judge’s cadre.

Accordingly, 1st State Level Rhythmic Gymnastics Judge’s course under 13th cycle was held



at Wadala, Mumbai City on 27th & 28th June 2015 which was attended by 29 women from different district of Maharashtra. The above course was inaugurated by Mr. B. N Mote Deputy Director, Directorate of Sports and Youth Services, Government of Maharashtra in presence of Mr. Sanjay Shete President Maharashtra Amateur Gymnastics Association. The practical & theory classes of Rhythmic Gymnastics Judge’s course

were taken by Mrs. Varsha Upadhye Chairperson RGTC, Ms. Kshipara Joshi and Ms. Akshata Shete, **while Judge’s course in Aerobic Gymnastics** was also conducted at Marathwada Sanskrutik Mondal Aurangabad on 27th & 28th June 2015 which was attended by 23 men & women from 10 districts of Maharashtra.

The Aerobic Judge's course was inaugurated by Dr. Makrand Joshi Secretary MAGA and the Secretary of Aurangabad Gymnastics Association Mr. Sagar Kulkarni was also present in the function. The practical & theory classes of Aerobic Gymnastics Judge's course were taken by Mr. Aditya Joshi and Mr. Siddharth Kadam. Both the courses were conducted smoothly and got good response from different district units. Dr. Makrand Joshi, the newly elected General Secretary was the main driving force behind the success of these Judge's courses. The judge's course in other disciplines of gymnastics will also be conducted in due course of time.



Mr. Sagar Kulkarni Sec ADGA's Aerobics inaugural Address Mr. Siddharth Kadam explaining the Aero rules in class

28th Summer Universiade 2015 will be held in Gwangju city, Korea from July 3-14th 2015 at Gwangju Women University Universiade Gymnasium. Summer Universiade is a combination of Universiade and Olympiad. The **First Summer Universiade** took place in Turin Italy from 26th August to 3rd September 1959 in 7 sports i. e. Athletics, Basketball, Fencing, Swimming, Tennis, Volleyball and Water-polo. About 985 athletes from 45 nations participated in 1st **Summer Universiade 1959**.



The World University Games or World Student Games is the American term for "Universiade" an International Sporting Event organized by FISU (International University Sports Federation) held under FISU's motto, '**Excellence in Mind and Body,**' university students around the world participate in this event to advance the development of education and culture, build friendship through sport, and honor sportsmanship. The Summer Universiade consists of 10 compulsory sports with 13 disciplines and up to 3 optional sports chosen by host city i. e. Athletics, Basketball, Fencing, Football, Artistic Gymnastics, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Judo, Swimming, Diving, Water-polo, Table Tennis, Tennis and volleyball. World Student Games are also referred to competitions for Sub-University students, as well. **Mr. Sham Lal Khullar First Arjun Awardee (1961)** participated in these games at Moscow the then USSR in 1957 and Mr. L. N. Khurana was the manager.

The Universiade is held every other year on odd-number years. As a multi-sport event with international participation from university students, it is the largest sporting event after the Olympics. The event is divided into the Summer Universiade and the Winter Universiade with each being held in different cities. To be eligible to participate in the Universiade, athletes should be undergraduate or graduate students between the ages of 17 and 28 as of

January 1 of the year the Universiade is being held or have graduated in the year immediately preceding the year of the event.

The National Coaching camp in gymnastics was held at IG Stadium New Delhi from 1st June to 1st July 2015 in preparation of 6th Senior Asian Artistic Gymnastics Championship to be held at Hiroshima Japan from 31st July to 2nd August 2015. The above camp is attended by 13 men and 7 women gymnasts on the basis of merits of 35th National Games Kerala. Only two women i. e. Vandita Raval and Dwija Asher from Maharashtra attended the above camp at New Delhi.

Sports Authority of India (SAI) conducted Six Weeks Certificate course in Gymnastics from



14th May to 24th June 2015 at STC Aurangabad. 7 sportspersons i. e. Mr. Abhishek Pal, Mr. Prafulla Manusmare. Ms. Kavita Kanojia, Mr. Uday Ramteke, Mr. Nitin Singh Bisen, Ashwin Patil and Pankaj Kunde from different parts of the country. Dr. RK Pathania, Mr. Deepak Shirke, Mr. RV Lokhande, Mrs. Elora Mangla and Mr. Mandeep Humar (Gymnastics Intern) in Gymnastics took the classes and Mr. Ajit Singh Rathore

was deputed as Course Coordinator of six weeks certificate courses at STC Aurangabad. **Mr. V. Bhandarkar Deputy Director STC Aurangabad** was the chief guest in the closing ceremony held on 24th June 2015. Mr. Pankaj Kunde of Maharashtra secured Grade-A in the course. The Executive Committee of the Maharashtra Amateur Gymnastics Association congratulates and wishes him a bright future in gymnastics in days to come. In addition to above gymnastics course, **Mr. R. V. Lokhande SAI Gymnastics Coach** from Muktangan English School Pune conducted the Six Weeks Certificate course at STC Aurangabad in Health & Fitness which attended by 25 Sportspersons from all over India.

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IT IS A TREASURE BOX TO KEEP LOVE, HAPPINESS & SWEET MEMORIES**

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