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Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award, 2023

Shri Chirag Chandrashekhar Shetty (Born in July, 1997) and Shri Satwik Sai Raj Rankireddy (Born in August, 2000) are among the most outstanding Badminton players of the country.

Their achievements are:

- Gold & Silver Medal in the 19th Asian Games (Men's Doubles & Team) held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.
- One Gold Medal in the BWF 1000 Indonesia Open (Men's Doubles) held in Jakarta, Indonesia in 2023.
- One Gold in the Thomas Cup (Team) held in Nonthaburi, Thailand in 2022.

In recognition of their outstanding achievements in the sport of Badminton, the Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award for the year 2023 is conferred upon **Shri Chirag Chandrashekhar Shetty and Shri Satwik Sai Raj Rankireddy.**

Dronacharya Award, 2023

Shri Lalit Kumar (Born in September, 1978) is a Wrestling Coach. He has trained many outstanding and prominent wrestling players namely Ravi Kumar who won Silver medal at the 2020 Olympic Games held in Tokyo, Japan in 2021, Deepak Punia who won Silver medal in the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023 and Aman who won Bronze medal in the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements in the field of coaching, the Dronacharya Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Shri Lalit Kumar**.

Dronacharya Award, 2023

Shri R B Ramesh (Born in April, 1976) is a Chess Coach. He has been coach of prominent Chess players including R. Praggnandhaa who has won Silver at the 2023 Chess World Cup held in Baku, Azerbaijan in 2023, Karthikeyan Murali who has won Silver at the Asian Continental Championship held in Xingtai, China in 2019, Savitha Shri Baskar who has won Silver (Team) at the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements in the field of coaching, the Dronacharya Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Shri Shri R B Ramesh**.

Dronacharya Award, 2023

Shri Mahaveer Prasad Saini (Born in February, 1959) is a Para Athletics coach. He has trained many outstanding Para Athletics athletes including Sundar Singh Gurjar who won Bronze (Javelin Throw F46) at the Paralympic Games held in Tokyo, Japan in 2021 and Rakesh Bhaira who won Bronze (Men's 1500m T46) at the Para-Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements in the field of coaching, the Dronacharya Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Shri Mahaveer Prasad Saini**.

Dronacharya Award, 2023

Shri Shivendra Singh (Born in June, 1983) is a Hockey Coach. He has been coach of Senior Men's Team since 2020 and has trained prominent and outstanding players namely Sreejesh Parattu Raveendran, Krishan Bahadur Pathak, Harmanpreet Singh, Amit Rohidas, Jarmanpreet Singh, Sanjay, Sumit, Manpreet Singh, Hardik Singh, Nilakanta Sharma, Gurjant Singh, Abhishek, Mandeep Singh, Lalit Kumar Upadhyay and Sukhjeet Singh. The Indian Hockey team has won a Bronze Medal at the 2020 Olympic Games held in Tokyo, Japan in 2021 and Gold Medal in the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements in the field of coaching, the Dronacharya Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Shri Shivendra Singh**.

Dronacharya Award, 2023

Shri Ganesh Prabhakar Devrukhkar (Born in August, 1980) is a Mallakhamb Coach. He has been coach of prominent Mallakhamb players including Akshay Prakash Taral who has won Gold at the World Mallakhamb Championship held in Bhutan in 2023 and Jahnavi Suresh Jadhav who won Gold at the World Mallakhamb Championship held in Bhutan in 2023.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements in the field of coaching, the Dronacharya Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Shri Ganesh Prabhakar Devrukhkar**.

Dronacharya Award, 2023

Shri Jaskirat Singh Grewal (Born in July, 1959) is a Golf Coach. He has trained many outstanding and prominent golfers who have won medals in National/International competitions namely Subhankar Sharma who has won two European and Asian Tour events in 2017 and 2018, Ajeetesh Sandhu who has won in Asian Tour event 2019, Abhijit Chadha who has won a Silver medal (Individual) in the 16th Asian Games held in Guangzhou, China in 2010 and Himmat Rai who has won Asian Tour Event in 2011.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements in the field of coaching, the Dronacharya Award (Lifetime) for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Shri Jaskirat Singh Grewal**.

Dronacharya Award, 2023

Captain Bhaskaran E (Born in December, 1964) is a Kabaddi Coach. He was Chief Coach of Indian Man Kabaddi Team which won Gold Medal at 19th Asian Games held at Hangzhou, China 2023. His trainees include, Arjuna Awardees' namely Anup Kumar, Rakesh Kumar, Pankaj Shirsath, Dinesh Kumar, Deepak Hooda, Mamatha Poojary and V Tejeswini Bai.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements in the field of coaching, the Dronacharya Award (Lifetime) for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Captain Bhaskaran E**.

Dronacharya Award, 2023

Shri Jayanta Kumar Pushilal (Born in December, 1961) is a Table Tennis Coach. He has trained many outstanding and prominent Table Tennis players who have won medals in National/International competitions namely Mouma Das who has won one Gold medal (Women's Team) and one Silver medal (Women's Doubles) at the 22nd Commonwealth Games held in Birmingham, United Kingdom in 2022.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements in the field of coaching, the Dronacharya Award (Lifetime) for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Shri Jayanta Kumar Pushilal**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Shri Ojas Pravin Deotale (Born in June, 2002) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Archery.

His achievements are:

- One Gold Medal in the World Archery Championship (individual) held in Berlin, Germany in 2023.
- Three Gold Medals in the 19th Asian Games 2022 (Individual, Mix Team, Men's Team) held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements in the sport of Archery, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Shri Ojas Pravin Deotale**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Ms Aditi Gopichand Swami (Born in June, 2006) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Archery.

Her achievements are:

- Two Gold Medals in the World Archery Championship (Individual and Women's Team) held in Berlin, Germany in 2023.
- One Gold and One Bronze Medal in the 19th Asian Games (Individual and Women's Team) held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.

In recognition of her outstanding achievements in the sport of Archery, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Ms Aditi Gopichand Swami**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Shri Sreeshankar M (Born in March, 1999) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Athletics.

His achievements are:

- One Silver Medal in the 19th Asian Games (Long Jump) held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.
- One Silver Medal in the Asian Athletics Championship (Long Jump) held in Bangkok, Thailand in 2023.
- One Silver Medal in the 22nd Commonwealth Games (Long Jump) held in Birmingham, United Kingdom in 2022.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements in the sport of Athletics, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Shri Sreeshankar M.**

Arjuna Award, 2023

Ms Parul Chaudhary (Born in April, 1995) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Athletics.

Her achievements are:

- One Gold Medal (5000m) and One Silver Medal (3000m Steeplechase) in the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.
- One Gold Medal (3000m Steeplechase) and One Silver Medal (5000m) in the Asian Athletics Championship held in Nonthaburi, Thailand in 2023.
- One Bronze Medal in the Asian Athletics Championship (5000m) held in Doha, Qatar in 2019.

In recognition of her outstanding achievements in the sport of Athletics, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Ms Parul Chaudhary**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Shri Mohammed Hussamuddin (Born in February, 1994) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Boxing.

His achievements are:

- One Bronze Medal (57 Kg) in the Elite Men World Boxing Championship held in Tashkent, Uzbekistan in 2023.
- One Bronze Medal (57 Kg) in the Elite Men Asian Boxing Championship held in Oman, Jordan in 2022.
- One Bronze Medal (57 Kg) in the 22nd Commonwealth Games held in Birmingham, United Kingdom in 2022.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements in the sport of Boxing, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Shri Mohammed Hussamuddin**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Ms R Vaishali (Born in June, 2001) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Chess.

Her achievements are:

- One Silver Medal (Women's Team) in the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.
- One Bronze Medal (Team) in the FIDE Online Chess Olympiad in 2021.
- One Gold Medal (Team) in the FIDE Online Chess Olympiad in 2020.

In recognition of her outstanding achievements in the sport of Chess, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Ms R Vaishali**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Shri Mohammad Shami (Born in September, 1990) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Cricket.

His achievements are:

- Runner Up (Men's Team) in the ICC Cricket World Cup held in India in 2023.
- Runner Up (Men's Team) in the ICC World Test Championship held in London, United Kingdom in 2023.
- Highest wicket taker for India in the ICC Cricket World Cup.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements in the sport of Cricket, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Shri Mohammad Shami**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Shri Anush Agarwalla (Born in November, 1999) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Equestrian.

His achievements are:

- One Gold Medal (Team Dressage) and One Bronze Medal (Individual Dressage) in the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements in the sport of Equestrian, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Shri Anush Agarwalla**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Ms Divyakriti Singh (Born in October, 1999) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Equestrian.

Her achievements are:

- One Gold Medal (Team Dressage) in the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.

In recognition of her outstanding achievements in the sport of Equestrian, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Ms Divyakriti Singh**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Ms Diksha Dagar (Born in December, 2000) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Golf.

Her achievements are:

- Champion at the Ladies Czech Open held in Beroun, Czech Republic in 2023.
- 2nd Runner Up at the Amundi German Masters held in Berlin, Germany in 2023
- First Indian deaf sportsperson to have represented India at the Olympics.

In recognition of her outstanding achievements in the sport of Golf, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Ms Diksha Dagar**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Shri Krishan Bahadur Pathak (Born in April, 1997) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Hockey.

His achievements are:

- One Gold Medal in the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.
- One Gold Medal in the Asian Championship Trophy held in Chennai, India in 2023.
- One Silver Medal in the 22nd Commonwealth Games held in Birmingham, United Kingdom in 2022.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements in the sport of Hockey, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Shri Krishan Bahadur Pathak**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Ms Pukhrambam Sushila Chanu (Born in February, 1992) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Hockey.

Her achievements are:

- One Bronze Medal in the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.
- One Bronze Medal in the 22nd Commonwealth Games held in Birmingham, United Kingdom in 2022.
- One Gold Medal in the FIH Nation Cup held in Valencia, Spain in 2022.

In recognition of her outstanding achievements in the sport of Hockey, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Ms Pukhrambam Sushila Chanu**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Shri Pawan Kumar, (Born in July, 1996), is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Kabaddi.

His achievements are:

- One Gold medal in the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.
- One Gold Medal in the South Asian Games held in Kathmandu, Nepal in 2019.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements in the sports of Kabaddi, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Shri Pawan Kumar**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Ms Ritu Negi (Born in May, 1992), is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Kabaddi.

Her achievements are:

- One Gold medal in the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.
- One Gold Medal in the South Asian Games held in Kathmandu, Nepal in 2019.

In recognition of her outstanding achievements in the sports of Kabaddi, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Ms Ritu Negi**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Ms Nasreen (Born in November, 1998) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Kho-Kho.

Her achievements are:

- One Gold Medal in the Asian Kho-Kho Championship held in Tamulpur, India in 2023.
- One Gold Medal in the South Asian Games held in Kathmandu, Nepal in 2019.

In recognition of her outstanding achievements in the sports of Kho-Kho, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Ms Nasreen**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Ms Pinki (Born in August, 1980) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Lawn Bowls.

Her achievements are:

- One Gold medal (Team Event) in the Asian Lawn Bowls Championship held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in 2023.
- One Gold medal (Team Event) in the 22nd Commonwealth Games held in Birmingham, United Kingdom in 2022.

In recognition of her outstanding achievements in the sports of Lawn Bowls, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Ms Pinki**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Shri Aishwary Pratap Singh Tomar (Born in February, 2001) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Shooting.

His achievements are:

- Two Gold Medals (10M Men's Team & 50M 3P Men's Team), one Silver Medal (50M 3P Individual) and One Bronze Medal (10M Individual) in the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.
- One Gold Medal (Individual) and One Silver Medal (Men's Team) in the 15th Asian Shooting Championship held in Changwon, South Korea in 2023.
- One Gold Medal (Men's Team) in the ISSF World Championship held in Baku, Azerbaijan in 2023.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements in the sport of Shooting, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Shri Aishwary Pratap Singh Tomar**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Ms Esha Singh (Born in January, 2005) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Shooting.

Her achievements are:

- One Gold Medal (Women's Team), Three Silver Medals (25M Individual, 10M Individual and 10M Women's Team) in the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.
- Two Gold Medals (Women's Team and Mix Team) in the ISSF World Championship held in Baku, Azerbaijan in 2023.

In recognition of her outstanding achievements in the sport of Shooting, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Ms Esha Singh**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Shri Harinder Pal Singh Sandhu (Born in March, 1989) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Squash.

His achievements are:

- Two Gold Medals (Mixed Doubles and Men's Team) in the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2022.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements in the sports of Squash, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Shri Harinder Pal Singh Sandhu**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Ms Ayhika Mukherjee (Born in June, 1997) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Table Tennis.

Her achievements are:

- One Bronze Medal (Women's Doubles) in the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.
- Two Gold Medals (Individual & Women's Team) and Two Bronze Medals (Women's Doubles & Mixed Doubles) in the Commonwealth Championship held in Cuttack, India in 2019.

In recognition of her outstanding achievements in the sport of Table Tennis, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Ms Ayhika Mukherjee**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Shri Sunil Kumar (Born in September, 1999) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Wrestling.

His achievements are:

- One Bronze Medal (87 kg Greco-Roman) in the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.
- One Bronze Medal (87 kg Greco-Roman) in the Senior Asian Championship held in Astana, Kazakhstan in 2023.
- One Gold Medal (87 kg Greco-Roman) in the Senior Asian Championship held in New Delhi, India in 2020.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements in the sport of wrestling, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Shri Sunil Kumar**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Ms Antim (Born in August, 2004) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Wrestling.

Her achievements are:

- One Bronze Medal (53 kg Women Wrestling) in the Senior World Wrestling Championship held in Belgrade, Serbia in 2023.
- One Bronze Medal (53 kg Women Wrestling) in the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.
- One Silver Medal (53 kg Women Wrestling) in the Senior Asian Championship held in Astana, Kazakhstan in 2023.
- One Gold Medal (53 kg Women Wrestling) in the Junior World Championship held in Amman, Jordan in 2023.

In recognition of her outstanding achievements in the sport of wrestling, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Ms Antim**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Ms Naorem Roshibina Devi (Born in December, 2000) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Wushu.

Her achievements are:

- One Silver Medal (Sanda 60 Kg Women's) in the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.
- One Silver Medal (Sanda 60 Kg Women's) in the World Wushu Championship held in Texas, United States of America in 2023.
- One Gold Medal (Sanda 60 Kg Women's) in the Moscow Wushu Stars Championship held in Moscow, Russia in 2023.

In recognition of her outstanding achievements in the sports of Wushu, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Ms Naorem Roshibina Devi**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Ms Sheetal Devi (Born in January, 2007) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Para-Archery.

Her achievements are:

- Three Gold Medals (Women's Individual Compound Team and Mixed Team) and one Silver medal (Women's doubles compound) in the 4th Para Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.
- One Silver Medal (Women's Individual Compound) in the World Para Archery Championship held in Plisen, Czech Republic in 2023.

In recognition of her outstanding achievements in the sports of Para Archery, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Ms Sheetal Devi**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Mr Illuri Ajay Kumar Reddy (Born in June, 1990) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Blind Cricket.

His achievements are:

- Champion at the 3rd T20 Cricket World Cup for the blind held in India in 2022.
- One Silver medal at the International Blind Sports Federation (IBSA) World Games held in Birmingham, United Kingdom in 2023.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements in the sports of Blind Cricket, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Mr Illuri Ajay Kumar Reddy**.

Arjuna Award, 2023

Ms Prachi Yadav (Born in May, 1995) is one of the most outstanding players in the discipline of Para Canoeing.

Her achievements are:

- One Gold Medal and one silver medal in the 4th Para Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China in 2023.
- Three Gold Medals and One silver medal in the Asian Para Canoe Championship held in Samarkand, Uzbekistan in 2023.
- One Bronze Medal in ICF Para Canoe World Cup held in Poznan, Poland in 2022

In recognition of her outstanding achievements in the sports of Para Canoeing, the Arjuna Award for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Ms Prachi Yadav**.

Dhyan Chand Award, 2023

Ms Kavitha Selvaraj (Born in May, 1984) has been an outstanding Kabaddi player of the country. Some of her prominent achievements include winning a Gold medal in the 16th Asian Games held in Guangzhou, China in 2010 and Gold Medals in the 2nd and 3rd Asian Kabaddi Championship held in 2007 & 2008.

In recognition of her outstanding achievements and contribution for the promotion of Kabaddi, the Dhyan Chand Award (Lifetime) for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Ms Kavitha Selvaraj**.

Dhyan Chand Award, 2023

Ms Manjusha Kanwar (Born in March, 1971) has been an outstanding Badminton player of the country. Some of her prominent achievements include winning a Bronze medal in the 16th Commonwealth Games (Women's Team) held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in 1998 and Gold Medal (Women's Team) in the South Asian Games held in Islamabad, Pakistan in 2004.

In recognition of her outstanding achievements and contribution for the promotion of Badminton, the Dhyan Chand Award (Lifetime) for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Ms Manjusha Kanwar**.

Dhyan Chand Award, 2023

Shri Vineet Kumar Sharma (Born in January, 1959) has been one of the most outstanding Hockey players of the country. He has won one Silver medal at the 9th Asian Games held in New Delhi, India in 1982 and one Bronze medal at the 10th Asian Games held in Seoul South Korea in 1986. He was also member of India team at the Olympics held in Los Angeles, United States of America in 1984.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements and contribution for the promotion of Hockey, the Dhyan Chand Award (Lifetime) for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Shri Vineet Kumar Sharma**.

TENZING NORGAY NATIONAL ADVENTURE AWARD, 2022

Born on 15th April, 1995, **Late Ms Savita Kanswal** hailed from Uttarkashi, Uttarakhand. She was the first Indian female mountaineer to summit two 8000M peaks Mt. Everest and Mt. Makalu in 16 days.

She was performing the task of lead climber responsible for fixing ropes on the summit to Draupadi Ka Danda-II, when she got engulfed in an avalanche and lost her life in the line of duty. **Late Ms Savita Kanswal's** decade long journey in mountaineering and adventure activities has been a shining example of resilience, courage and pursuit of excellence, which she demonstrated upto her last breathe.

In recognition of her outstanding achievement and contribution in the field of adventure, **Late Ms Savita Kanswal** is presented with the Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Award 2022 posthumously for Land Adventure.

TENZING NORGAY NATIONAL ADVENTURE AWARD, 2022

Born on 5th April, 1988, **Shri Tulsi Chaitanya Mothukuri** hails from Vijaywada, Andhra Pradesh. He swam the English Channel in 15 hrs 18 mins 45 seconds, Gibraltar Strait in 4 hrs 25 mins, Palk Strait in 8 hrs 15 mins and Catalina Channel in 12 hrs 40 mins. He is the first Indian Cop to achieve triple crown of the open water swimming.

In recognition of his outstanding achievement and contribution in the field of adventure, **Shri Tulsi Chaitanya Mothukuri** is presented with the Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Award 2022 for Water Adventure.

TENZING NORGAY NATIONAL ADVENTURE AWARD, 2022

Born on 3rd February, 1978, Master Warrant Officer **Shri Anshu Kumar Tiwari** hails from Gopalganj, Bihar. He has completed 2214 hours of flying including 250 hours in night for skydiving, training and dispatching. He has 1237 jumps including 73 night jumps to his credit. He has participated in skydiving demonstration jump to celebrate National event “Har Ghar Tiranga – Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav” on 15th August, 2022. He has undertaken the world’s highest skydiving landing along with another air warrior at Khardung - La, Leh in Oct, 2020. This sets a world record to land at highest altitude. He is the recipient of MacGregor Memorial Medal, 2021 for extreme adventure sports. He has imparted parachuting and skydiving training to more than 500 armed force personnel by successfully conducting more than 3800 jumps. His keen professionalism and meticulous training is appreciated for safe, smooth and befitting training.

In recognition of his outstanding achievement and contribution in the field of adventure, Master Warrant Officer **Shri Anshu Kumar Tiwari** is presented with the Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Award 2022 for Air Adventure.

TENZING NORGAY NATIONAL ADVENTURE AWARD, 2022

Born on 25th Dec, 1975, **Shri Parveen Singh**, hails from Kangra, Himachal Pradesh. He has successfully scaled more than 20 Himalayan peaks including Mt. Everest twice and Mt Kanchenjunga. During BSF Para-mountaineering Expedition to Mt Bhagirathi II, he supported 2 para mountaineers in his rope. He has imparted training in high altitude land adventure to more than 3000 trainees from CAPF, NTRO, NEPA, Myanmar Police, etc. He actively took part in BSF “Relief and Rehabilitation Mission” in Kalimath Valley during disaster at Kedarnath in 2013. In 2015, he successfully completed BSF golden jubilee Mountain Terrain Bike, Cycling expedition from Delhi to Gangotri for “Swachh Bharat, Swachh Himalaya, Swachh Ganga” Campaign. He was appreciated by DG BSF with commendation rolls 6 times.

In recognition of his sustained commitment, significant contribution and unmatched spirit of adventure, **Shri Parveen Singh** is presented with the Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Award 2022 for Life Time Achievement.

Rashtriya Khel Protsahan Puruskar, 2023

JAIN (Deemed-to-be University) Identification and Nurturing of Budding and Young Talent

JAIN (Deemed-to-be University) is ranked among the top universities in India and considered a cerebral destination for students across the world and Bengaluru in particular, for its illustrious history of developing talent. JAIN (Deemed-to-be University) is a hub for learning in every sense of the word and was awarded the Best University for the promotion of Sports in 2022-23 by Sportstar Aces Awards.

The vision of JAIN (Deemed-to-be University) is that sports is a viable career option than a hobby & provide training & development to budding sportspersons to help them evolve into full -fledged professionals in the sports industry without compromising quality of academics, along with nurturing a strong sense of public responsibility and pioneering spirit.

The department of Sports has been synonymous with sports and development for over 3 decades. From grooming and producing International champions to developing world-class sporting infrastructure, the university has continuously been at the forefront which has made it the go-to educational institute for students looking to balance their sporting careers and education simultaneously. For 32 years, the university has supported more than 100 international and national level athletes by providing personal academic coaching, fees waiver, free access to training facilities and accommodation. As on date, the university has 10 Olympians to their credit with the conviction that they can produce more in the years to come.

In recognition for their contribution in the field of “Identification and nurturing of budding and young talent”, the Rashtriya Khel Protsahan Puruskar for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **JAIN (Deemed-to-be University)**.

Rashtriya Khel Protsahan Puruskar, 2023

Odisha Mining Corporation Limited **Encouragement to sports through Corporate Social Responsibility**

Odisha Mining Corporation Limited (OMC) was established on 16.05.1956 as a Joint Venture Company of Govt. of Odisha and Govt. of India. OMC has been a driving force in the State's mining sector, contributing significantly to both State revenue and employment generation. OMC has been promoting sports at various levels as part of their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives.

Through their multi-tiered approach to promoting sports, they have created a holistic impact, nurturing talent from local communities to the national stage. OMC extended its support and commitment for the promotion of Hockey under its CSR initiatives. Their partnership with Hockey India enables them to contribute to the team's training, equipment, and participation in international tournaments, empowering them to compete at the highest level.

Further, OMC has provided support to the State Sports and Youth Services Department, Government of Odisha by entering into a MoU to fund annually 3% of net profit for the development of Sports in the State.

Under their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) program, OMC have organized local sports tournaments encompassing popular games like cricket, volleyball, archery, kabaddi and more. Also, OMC has provided employment to 12 sports persons belonging to different sports discipline to support their growth in career and sports.

In recognition of their contribution in the field of "Encouragement to sports through corporate social responsibility", the Rashtriya Khel Protsahan Puruskar for the year 2023 is being conferred upon **Odisha Mining Corporation Limited**.

Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Trophy, 2023

The prestigious **Maulana Abul Kalam Azad (MAKA)** Trophy, instituted in the year 1956-57, is a running trophy which is awarded to the university which has shown the best all round performance in sports. The winner of the MAKA Trophy is given a cash award of Rs 15 lakhs and a small replica of the Rolling Trophy for retention by the university

Based on the recommendation of the selection committee constituted to recommend the overall winner university, the Government has declare **Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar, Punjab** as the winner of the Maulana Abul Kalam Azad (MAKA) Trophy for the period 2022-23.