

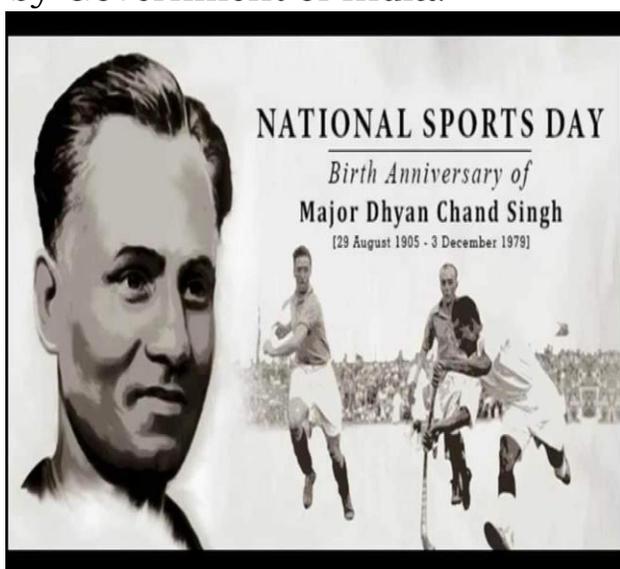
National Sports Day- 29 August, 2020

Khelo India

The Internal Security Academy, CRPF, Mount Abu, celebrated The National Sports Day on 29/8/2020 and organized a Volleyball match between the jawans of ISA and C/239 Bn under Khelo India program. Due to Corona pandemic in the country, the game was played in 3-A Side format. To promote awareness towards health and sports, Shri A.P. Maheshwari, IPS, DG, CRPF, e-inaugurated volleyball matches at 1600 locations of CRPF all over India. Since the COVID -19 pandemic, it is the first sports activity undertaken by CRPF.

National Sports Day is celebrated on August 29 every year to honour the hockey legend, Major Dhyan Chand. This day marks the birthday of Major Dhyan Chand Singh, the hockey player who won gold medals in Olympics for India in the years 1928, 1932 and 1936. The Government of India decided to celebrate his birthday as the National Sports Day since 2012.

After putting his stamp on international hockey arena, and having served his country to reach its pinnacles of glory multiple times, he has become a legendary figure in the Indian and world hockey. Dhyan Chand had scored more than 400 international goals in his international career from 1926 to 1948. He was awarded Padma Bhushan, the third-highest civilian honour in the year 1956 by Government of India.



Birth Anniversary of Major Dhyan Chand Singh.



Honorable Sports Minister Kiren Rijiju Pays Tribute To Major Dhyan Chand Singh On National Sports Day.

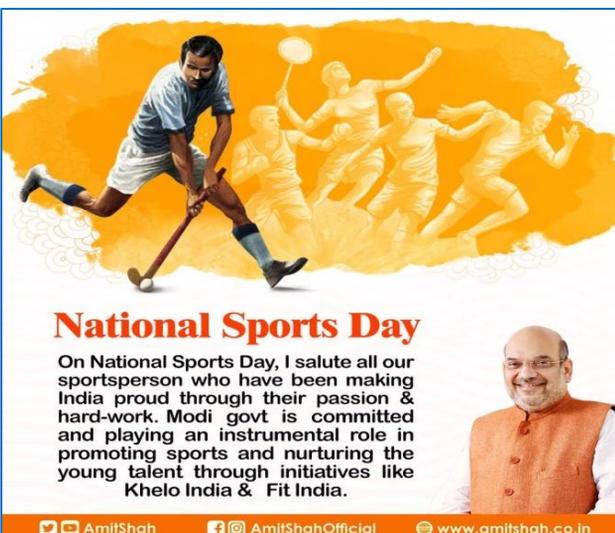
Major Dhyan Chand Singh came to be known as 'Wizard of Hockey', worldwide. He was born on August 29, 1905, at Allahabad (now Prayagraj) in Uttar Pradesh. He joined the Indian army as a soldier in 1922.

The most noted memorial for him is the Major Dhyan Chand Award, the highest award for lifetime achievement in sports and games in India, and the National Sports Day celebrations on his birthday. It is a pride for CRPF that one of its athletes, Mrs Jincy Phillip, Dy. Commandant, Presently performing the duties of athletics Coach, received this year's Major Dhyan Chand Award for lifetime achievements.

Paying his tribute to Major Dhyan Chand, Prime Minister Modi tweeted, "Today, on National Sports Day, we pay tributes to Major Dhyan Chand, whose magic with the hockey stick can never be forgotten. This is also a day to laud the outstanding support given by the families, coaches, and support staff towards the success of our talented athletes."

Sports and fitness have invaluable importance in one's life. A healthy individual leads to an equally healthy society and a healthy society makes a strong Nation. Playing sports inculcates team spirit, leadership skills, develops strategic & analytical thinking, , goal setting and risk taking.

The Khelo India programme has been introduced to revive the sports culture in India at the grass-root level by building a strong framework for all sports played in our country and establish India as a great sporting nation.



Dr. A.P. Maheshwari, IPS, DG, CRPF, presenting Memento to Olympian and Indian Sports Hero Shri Sushil Kumar at CRPF Academy, Kadarapur on National Sports Day-2020

Message by Honorable Home Minister Sh. Amit Shah on National Sports Day.



3-A Side Volleyball match between the jawans of ISA and C/239 Bn. under KHELO INDIA program



Jawans Action During the Volleyball match.



Sh K.Thomas Job DIG(Adm/Trg) ISA Mt. Abu presenting rewards to the Players.