

Churu District Collector Honored for Excellence in Public Administration | Rajasthan | 22 Apr 2022

Why in News?

Prime Minister Narendra Modi honored Churu District Collector Siddharth Sihag with the Prime Minister's Award for Excellence in Public Administration at a function organized at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi on the occasion of Civil Services Day (April 21, 2022).

Key Points

- Under this award received by Churu district for excellent work and better achievements in the district under the 'Khelo India' campaign, the Prime Minister honored the district collector with a check of Rs 20 lakh and a citation.
- This award was given for the wide-scale participation of young players in the development of sports centers in the district, medals received by the players at national and international level, representation of women players, para-sportsmen, innovation done by the district administration in Fit India-Khelo India.
- It is noteworthy that the Sports Authority of India (SAI) sanctioned 8 centers of Khelo India in the district Athletics Rajgarh, Dronacharya National Boxing Academy Rajgarh, Table Tennis District Stadium Churu, Hockey Gajuwas, Handball Academy Iron, Weightlifting, Wrestling, Boxing Urmila Sports Academy, Nyangal. There are big operations, this number is highest in Rajasthan.
- The newly built International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF) certified world class synthetic athletic track has been built at District Stadium Churu from SAI's contribution of Rs 6.30 crores.
- It is worth mentioning that 34 players from the district were represented in the Khelo India Youth Games, 2019 and 2020. Out of these, medals were received by 10 players in Khelo India Youth Games, 2020, which was 20 percent of the medals received by Rajasthan.
- There was good representation of women and para-players in the district from 2019 to 2021 and women and para-players won medals. As an innovation by the district administration, the Fit India program was made successful by making children aware about nutrition and health by running a nutrition and health awareness campaign in the schools of the district.

Rajiv Gandhi Fintech Digital Institute | Rajasthan | 22 Apr 2022

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In the review meeting of Fintech Digital University, Jodhpur held under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot on April 21, 2022, a revised amount of Rs.672.5 crore was approved for the establishment of Rajiv Gandhi Fintech Digital Institute in Jodhpur.

Key Points

- This institute will be set up in 66 bighas of land in Jodhpur. In the budget announcement for the year 2021-22, Rs 400 crore was allocated for the establishment of Fintech Digital Institute.
- This institute will be developed as state of the art. The campus of the institute will be net zero campus with zero waste, zero electricity and zero water. This building will be an environment-friendly building. This will be the first of its kind construction in the state of Rajasthan.
- Initially, a capacity of 1,400 students was envisaged for the institute. Now considering the number of UG, PG and PhD programmes, the number of students has been revised up to 4,000.
- Four schools are proposed under Rajiv Gandhi Fintech Digital Institute. It houses the School of Financial Information Systems, the School of Financial Technology, Instruments and Markets, the School of Financial Systems and Analytics and the School of Fintech Innovation and Entrepreneurship.
- The institute will have smart classrooms, tutorial room, lecture theatre, flip classroom, computer lab, computer centre, central library center of excellence, seminar hall, board room, auditorium for 1,000 students, sports facilities etc.
- The institute will be constructed within an area of 11,55,500 sq. ft. with guest house, academic block, workshops, hostel, faculty block, non-teaching block, dean's and director's residence. It will have state-of-the-art IT facilities for teaching, research and development.

69th State Level Senior Kabaddi Competition | Rajasthan | 22 Apr 2022

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On April 21, 2022, Minority Affairs Minister of Rajasthan Shale Mohammad duly inaugurated the 69th state level three-day senior men's and women's kabaddi competition at Shaheed Poonam Singh Stadium in Jaisalmer.

Key Points

- The competition will be held till April 24.
- It is noteworthy that for the first time, the State Level Senior Kabaddi Competition is being organized by the District Kabaddi Association in Jaisalmer.
- In this competition teams from 31 districts are participating in the men's section and teams from 24 districts in women's section.
- On this occasion, the Minority Affairs Minister said that for the first time in the state, a provision of 2 percent reservation has been made for medal winning sportspersons in government jobs, which is an exemplary step for the sports world.

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