



3 players of Abujhmad won Gold Medal in the 2nd World Mallakhamb Championship | Chhattisgarh | 15 May 2023

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According to the information received from the media on 13 May 2023, 3 Mallakhamb players from Abujhmad of Narayanpur district of Chhattisgarh - Santosh Shorey, Santay Potai and Jayanthi Kachalam have won gold medals playing for the Indian national team in the 2nd World Mallakhamb Championship held in Bhutan.

Key Points:

- It is known that this championship was organized from 9 to 12 May 2023 in Bhutan.
- In this championship, all three players of Chhattisgarh have won gold medals in the team championship of boys and girls category. Santosh Shorey represented the national boy's team and Santay Potai & Jayanthi Kachalam represented the national girls' team in the championship.
- It is known that Abujhmad is one such tribal area of India which is still considered untouched, the lifestyle of the people here is related to the forest.
- It is worth mentioning that more than 200 players from many countries like India, Japan, America, South Africa, Brazil, Bahrain etc. participated in the World Mallakhamb Championship.
- Santosh Shorey started practising Mallakhamb from Class V (2017) at Porta Cabin School, Devgaon, Narayanpur, he got his first gold medal in the 2020 Bilaspur Invitational National Championship. After this, he also received 2 medals in the competition organized in Ujjain in September 2021.
- He also received 1 bronze medal in Khelo India organized on 2022 June, 1 bronze medal in National Games organized in Gujarat on 2022 October, 2 bronze medals in Khelo India organized on 2023 February. Santosh Shorey has so far won a total of 18 medals in state and national competitions.
- Similarly, Santay Potai has won 17 medals at the state and national level. Jayanthi Kachalam is a class 12th student, she has been practicing Mallakhamb for the past 4 years and has won a total of 14 medals at the state & national level.
- Based on the excellent performance of these players, they were selected in the national team of India.



Union Health Ministry awarded NQAS certification to 7 Hospitals in Chhattisgarh | Chhattisgarh | 15 May 2023

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On 12 May 2023, the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare awarded the National Quality Assurance Standard (NQAS) certificate to the Sukma District Hospital located in the remote Vananchal of Chhattisgarh for excellent health services and LaQshya certificate for better obstetric facilities.

Key Points:

- The Union Health Ministry has awarded NQAS certification to 7 government hospitals in the state. These include 3 district hospitals, 2 primary health centers, 1 urban primary health center and 1 health & wellness center.
- It may be noted that the Health Ministry team inspected these hospitals between January and April this year to test the quality of services available to the patients. The team also took feedback from the patients in this regard.
- The Union Health Ministry has also issued National Quality Assurance Standard Certificate to Kawardha District Hospital under 'Muskan' program and Durg District Hospital under 'NQAS' programme.
- Along with Khaprikala Primary Health Center in Mungeli district and Khadma Primary Health Center in Gariaband, this certificate has also been issued to Rajkishore Nagar Urban Primary Health Center in Bilaspur.
- Country's first health & wellness center Jangla of Bijapur district, located in Bastar region, has also been awarded the National Quality Assurance Standard Certificate for quality health services. This health & wellness center was launched five years ago.
- It is worth mentioning that government hospitals located in remote areas like Sukma & Bijapur have got National Quality Assurance Standard Certificate and Target Certificate, indicating that quality health facilities are reaching all areas in the state.

- Sukma district hospital has scored 93 percent marks in the evaluation of the Health Ministry team under the 'NQAS' program, 93 percent in the evaluation of the labor room and 87 percent in the evaluation of the maternity OT under the 'Lakshya' program.
- Jangla Health & Wellness Center got 80 percent, Khaprikala Primary Health Center 81 percent, Khadma Primary Health Center 84 percent and Rajkishore Nagar Urban Primary Health Center got 85 percent marks.
- Durg District Hospital has scored 88 percent and Kawardha District Hospital has scored 93 percent in the evaluation of the Health Ministry team.
- It is to be known that before providing the National Quality Assurance Standard Certificate, the services and satisfaction level of the hospital are tested on various parameters by the team of experts of the Government of India.
- These include parameters such as services available, patients' rights, inputs, support services, clinical services, infection control, quality management and outcomes. Only hospitals that meet these stringent standards are issued quality certificates by the Union Health Ministry.

