

Vice-Chancellor's address on Sports Meet (29.08.2016)

Good morning to all Statutory Officers, Heads of the Departments, faculty members, representatives of student associations, teaching and non-teaching staff, media personnel, sports persons, students, ladies and gentlemen. I congratulate you all & welcome to witness the inaugural ceremony of a week long, 24th Inter College Sports Meet being organised today in this Khel Parisar.

The Inter College Sports Meet is an important annual event of the Univ. that provides the students a platform to exhibit their talent in co-curricular activities in addition to academics. It plays an important role in over all development of students' personality. Sport is a pleasure, amusement and recreation that cultivates qualities of leadership, imbibes discipline, inculcates hard work, creates mutual trust, leads to tolerance, spreads brotherhood and brings team spirits among the students. In this Sports Meet, 56 teams, both men and women involving >400 students of the four constituent colleges of the University are participating. Inter-College matches in six events namely Basketball, Badminton, Volleyball, Table Tennis, Chess and Power-lifting will be held.

Today the 29th August is also celebrated as National Sports Day on the birth anniversary of Hockey Magician Dhyan Chand. Dhyan Chand glorified India winning Gold Medal in Olympic. Once an opposition team member hit him with hockey stick. Without retaliation, he concentrated playing game and scored three goals. He then said "मैंने चोट का बदला गोल से लिया". That's the spirit of a sports person in the playground. I expect all our student players to follow the footprints of our Hockey hero.

Sports are not only essential, but also indispensable for an all round development. "The battle of Waterloo was won on the playground of Eton" correctly sums up the importance of sports in education. In Eton's school playground young men's character building was accomplished through sports. The superiority & the Men of character fought the British Water-Loo War leading to its victory. That is what the sport is a character building exercise.

I wish all the participants good luck and inspire all the players to participate with true sportsmanship.

Let the event be a Grand Success with cooperation of one & all.

Thanks you all.

"Jai Hind"

"Bharat Mata Ki Jai"