



**Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports  
Department of Sports**

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**“EK Bharat Shrestha Bharat Programme”**

**Programme “EK Bharat Shrestha Bharat”**  
**Report of Tug of War Championship for Men Zone-2**

**1. Introduction.** The Tug of War Federation of India organised the following event for the ‘EK Bharat Shreshtha Bharat’ Programme.

- **EBSB TUG OF WAR Zone-2 CHAMPIONSHIP FOR MEN 12-15 Jan., 2020.**

**2. Small write up about the game.**

“TUG OF WAR ” is an indigenous sports discipline that has been included in “EK Bharat Shrestha Bharat” programme of Department of Sports. The Competition matches of the Championship were organized at the Indira Gandhi ground, Mahapalika Stadium, Nanded, Maharashtra on 12-15 January, 2020 as part of Ek Bharat, Shrestha Bharat programme.

**3. Inauguration.**

The Hon’ble Member of Parliament Shri Partaprao Patil Chikhalikar was invited as Chief Guest in Opening Ceremony. The Hon’ble M P was however at the last moment recalled to Delhi and he send his representative BJP District President Shri Pravinji Sale as Chief Guest for the inauguration of the events who declared the Meet open in the presence of District Sports Officer Shri Vila Chavan and Consultant, MYAS, Govt of India Col. Amarbir Singh(Retd.). In his welcome address the BJP District President Shri Pravinji Sale welcomed all the players and officials from different states and thanked the Prime Minister for this very innovative programme for the unity of the country. Local/district/state officials of the sports department also participated in the event.

**4.** The children of Nana Palkar Vidyalaya,NMC Abidakar Nager, Nanded performed folk dances of Maharashtra in their colorful folk dance dresses. People took keen interest in the activity and appreciated the Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat Programme.

## 5. Participating States.

The Competition was held between the teams of paired States as follows:-

Himachal Pradesh	:	Kerala
Gujarat	:	Chhattisgarh
Bihar	:	Tripura & Mizoram
Puducherry UT	:	Daman & Diu UT

## 6. Participants.

48 Boys (Players) and 13 officials/coaches participated in the event. In addition a number of local technical officials were engaged for the successful conduct of the competition. Sports kits was given to 61 participants.

## 7. Conduct of the Competition and Results. The Result are as follows:

<b>WEIGHT CATEGORY: MEN-720KG</b>		
<b>Rank</b>	<b>pairing of States/UTs</b>	<b>MEDALS</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> POSITION	GUJARAT : CHHATTISGARH (GUJ : CHHT)	GOLD
2 <sup>nd</sup> POSITION	HIMACHAL PRADESH : KERALA (HP : KERALA)	SILVER
3 <sup>rd</sup> POSITION	PUDUCHERRY : DAMAN & DIU (PUDU : DAM & DIU)	BRONZE
4 <sup>th</sup> POSITION	BIHAR : TRIPURA & MIZORAM	-----

## 8. Closing Ceremony.

The Hon'ble MLA, Shri Balaji Kalyakar was the Chief Guest for the Closing Ceremony of the events. Hon'ble MLA Shri Balaji Kalyakar distributed the Medals & Trophy to the Winner Teams and declared the Meet closed in the presence Special Guest of BJP District President Shri Pravinji Sale and Shri Pandarinath Bokare, Chairman Nanaksai Foundation and Consultant, MYAS, Govt of India Col. Amarbir Singh(Retd.). All the participants including the visiting dignitaries expressed their gratitude to the Hon'ble Prime Minister for the concept of Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat which encouraged the youth of diverse culture and paired States to forge better understanding and strengthen National Integration. The events were witnessed by a large number of spectators.

## 9. Publicity & Branding.

The venue branding was AS PER the guidelines .The event was covered extensively in the print and electronic media which had a very positive impact relating to the concept of EK Bharat Shrestha Bharat through the sports activities.

Photographs and paper cuttings are enclosed. Digital copies and short illustrative video clippings of the live events are also attached..

**10. Board & Lodging.**

Arrangements were made for the participating boys and girls in separate different budget hotels at Nanded, Maharashtra.

**11. Impact.**

As per the feedback from the players and management good/excellent facilities both for stay and food were provided to them. The players from all the participating paired States/UTs were extremely happy to be together for better understanding of culture, food habits and other related issues and this opportunity has made them friends for ever.

**12. Any other Remark :**

**EK Bharat Shreshtha Bharat' Programme aims in Integration & Unity of India . Our mission was successful. Good discipline was maintained by all participants.**