



On **August 29th**, National Sports Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm by students and faculty to honor the birth anniversary of the legendary hockey player, Major Dhyanchand. Organized by the TA Sports Club, the event emphasized the importance of sports in promoting physical fitness, teamwork, and discipline while celebrating India's rich tradition of indigenous games.

Opening Ceremony:

The event commenced with an inspiring speech from **Dr. Surajit Some**, Faculty Convener of the TA Sports Club. Dr. Some highlighted how sports contribute to both physical and mental well-being, encouraging students to immerse themselves in the day's activities and competitions.

Indigenous Games:

This year's celebration centered around traditional Indian games, creating a nostalgic and culturally rich experience for all participants. Among the games featured were kho-kho, pakda-pakdi, rassi-khech (tug of war), hu-tu-tu, lagori, kancha (marbles), langadi, cheel-jhapatta, pani-ki patthar, vish-amrut, aankh-micholi, and abadhubi. These games were open to participants of all ages, allowing everyone to connect with their cultural heritage and enjoy friendly competition.

Volleyball Match Between PG Students:

A key highlight of the day was an exhilarating volleyball match between postgraduate (PG) students. The friendly yet competitive environment fostered teamwork and sportsmanship, while spectators cheered enthusiastically, creating a vibrant atmosphere.

Tug of War and Lagori on Pidilite Pavilion:

Two popular traditional games, tug of war and lagori, were organized on the turf, adding fun and excitement to the day. Tug of war underscored teamwork and strategic coordination, while lagori challenged participants' agility and quick reflexes, enhancing the competitive spirit.

The National Sports Day celebrations were an overwhelming success, drawing over **100 students** to participate in various activities with enthusiasm and sportsmanship. The event fostered a strong sense of community, reinforced the importance of staying active, and provided participants with joyful memories.

A special thanks went out to the TA Sports Club Faculty Convener, **Dr. Surajit Some**, and organizing committee members **Akash Borkar and Nuraj Bhoyar**, whose dedication made the day unforgettable.





