

## ICAR-Inter Zonal Sports Meet-2023 Organized by ICAR–Central Arid Zone Research Institute, Jodhpur

The Inter Zonal Sports Meet-2023 of ICAR was organized by ICAR-CAZRI, Jodhpur from 14-17 October, 2024. The four days Games and Sports was organized at CAZRI Sports Complex and Thakur Ji Mandir Cricket Ground, Pal Raod. The winning players of various events from all the ICAR Institutes of respective zones viz., North, South, East, West and Central zones, participated in the meet. In all 550 players, men and women, participated in the sports meet as a representative of the respective zone. The meet was inaugurated on 14<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2024. Prof. A.K. Agarwal, Director, Indian Institute of Technology, Jodhpur was the Chief Guest and Dr. O. P. Yadav, Director, ICAR-CAZRI, Jodhpur Presided the function. The Chief Guest after hosting the flag of ICAR-Inter Zonal Sports Meet-2023 declared the games open. The four days play involved the display of various sports events like, Races, Chess, Carrom, Table Tennis, Badminton, (for men and women both), Kabbadi, Football, Volley Ball, Basket Ball, and Cricket (for men). The Indian Institute of Horticultural Research, Bengaluru of South Zone and the Zone itself won the overall championship award by scoring the highest points in various events. Similarly, the champion athlete (Men) was Sh. Amit Kumar Dash, from ICAR-IISS, Mau and Ms. Ritu Kukde from CIPHET, Ludhiana, was the champion (women) athlete. The Champions were awarded in the valedictory function. Ms. Alka Nangia Arora, Additional Secretary (DARE) and Financial Advisor (ICAR) Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi was the Chief Guest of function and Dr. J.P. Mishra, Director ATARI, Jodhpur was the Guest of the Honor. Dr. O. P. Yadav, Director, ICAR-CAZRI, Jodhpur Presided the function. Dr. Vipin Chaudhary, Organizing Secretary gave a report on the four-day tournament while Dr. Mahesh Kumar, proposed vote of thanks.



Prof. A.K. Agarwal, Director, IIT, Jodhpur and Dr. O. P. Yadav, Director, ICAR-CAZRI, Jodhpur Inaugurating the Sports Meet-2023



Ms. Alka Nangia Arora, Additional Secretary (DARE) and Financial Advisor (ICAR), New Delhi, Dr. J.P. Mishra ICAR - Agricultural Technology Application Research Institute Zone- II, Jodhpur and Dr. O. P. Yadav, Director, ICAR-CAZRI, Jodhpur in Closing Ceremony of Sports Meet-2023



Sh. Amit Kumar Dash, ICAR-IISS, Mau, champion Men athlete and Ms. Ritu Kukde, CIPHET, Ludhiana, champion women athlete



The overall champion, Indian Institute of Horticultural Research, Bengaluru