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### For sustainable Wushu in India - Catch them young

Three days Wushu Championship has been organized by Delhi Amateur Wushu Association at Talkatora Indoor Stadium, New Delhi. The inauguration ceremony for the event was presided over by Shri VP Agrawal, Chairman, Airports Authority of India and President, All India Public Sector Sports Control Board.

The championship involves more than 500 players in senior, junior and sub-junior categories and participation by 20 teams in the championship. Many international players will also be performing their skills in this championship, key sportsman being Asian Games Medalist Bimoljit Singh, World Junior Silver medal winner Gulshal and last year's best player Sajjan Lama.

Shri Desh Deepak Verma, IAS, Director General, Sports Authority of India while declaring the games open, appreciated the initiatives taken by Shri VP Agrawal, particularly in promoting the neglected sports and bringing them in public domain by giving due support by the Public Sector. He also mentioned that the country needs such dynamic leaders both in the corporate world as well as the sports arena to keep the sports activities in the frontline.

Speaking on the occasion, Shri V P Agrawal highlighted the concept that he belongs to the school which not only subscribes but also encourages participation in sports, especially in the adolescent age for it not only inculcates sense of discipline and camaraderie, which in turn contributes to a great extent the development of good character amongst children and it finally gets manifested in one becoming a good citizen. As such, he mentioned that "Catch them young is very apt for sports activities".

He further highlighted the popularity of this event and opined that it is time that the AIPSSCB takes the initiative and promote the event in the Public Sector Undertakings too. In his capacity as President, AIPSSCB, he will welcome proposals for promotion of such sports from PSUs and he also mentioned that children should visit the AAI Website which gives full details about sports promotion activities supported by AAI.

To sum up, he wished the organizers, participating children and other dignitaries all the best and enjoy the Wushu.



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Shri V P Agrawal, Chairman, Airports Authority of India and President, All India Public Sector Sports Control Board inaugurated the Wushu Championship at Talkatora Indoor Stadium, New Delhi

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