

Press Release

Hosts grab early lead in KIYG medal race

Pune, Jan. 9: Hosts Maharashtra had a field day bagging 12 medals, which included four gold in the Khelo India Youth Games (KIYG) 2019 at the Shiv Chhatrapathi Sports Complex, Mahalunge-Balewadi here on Wednesday.

After Day 2 of the Games, Maharashtra had taken their total tally to 14 medals, which included four gold, five silver and five bronze.

Maharashtra weightlifters were on song winning three gold of the four on offer on the day.

In the Under-17 girls' section Soumya Dalvi was the stand out performer of the day in the 40-kg weight category. The other gold in the section came through Abhishek Mahajan (55 kgs), while in the Under-21 section Shubham Kolekar topped in the 55 kgs category.

The hosts had two one-two finishes; with Aarti Tatgundi joining Soumya on the podium claiming the 40-kg silver. Similarly, Prashant joined Shubham with a bronze in the 55-kg.

In wrestling, Maharashtra claimed five medals, which includes a gold from Pravin Patil (55-kgs) in the Under-17 boys' section. Pravin's medal was the first for the day for Maharashtra.

The other medals came from, Dnyaneshwar Desai (51-kgs), Prithviraj Khadke (92kgs) who bagged a silver and Amrut Redekar (65kg) who won bronze.

In the Under-21 section, Kundan Yadav (67kgs) claimed bronze.

In gymnastics, Maharashtra claimed medals for the second day with Shreya Bhangale and Krisha Chheda winning silver and bronze respectively in the Under-17 Rhythmic All-Round event.

Late Tuesday night, the Hattekar-twins handed Maharashtra their first medals. In the Under-17 girls' section, Siddhi Hattekar claimed silver and Riddhi the bronze in the all-round event.

MAHARAHTRA: DAY-WISE TALLY

DAY 1: G-0; S-1; B-1. Total-2

DAY 2: G-4; S-4; B-4. Total-12