

Important Sports Events: January- May 2017

January 2017

- The Ministry of State for Youth Affairs and Sports Vijay Goel inaugurated the Khelo India National level Competitions on various sports for Under-14 and Under-17 children in New Delhi.
- Formula One Player Valtteri Bottas Mercedes named the new one world champion in place of Nico Rosberg.
- Sports Ministry derecognizes Yoga after 15 months' being declared a sport.
- The International Olympic Committee (IOC) and Chinese e-commerce firm Alibaba Group entered into a long-term partnership through 2028, so alibaba will be the worldwide sponsor up to 2028 games.
- International Olympic Committee (IOC) has taken away the Gold Olympic medals from three Chinese women weightlifters for doping in 2008 Beijing games.
- Robert Marchand made a record by cycling 22.547 km in 1 hour.
- The Indian 7'2 Basketball player Satnam Singh Bhamara has shown Interest in the World Wrestling Entertainment (WWE).
- The All India Football Federation (AIFF) launched its first ever Indian Women's League (IWL).
- The Ministry of State for Youth Affairs and Sports constituted an 8 member committee that would work to prepare a action plan for the next three Olympic games to be held in 2020, 2024 and 2028.
- Target Olympic Podium (TOP) committee has been reconstituted to identify and support the potential medal prospects for 2020 and 2024 Olympic Games.
- Indian football team jumped six places up to 129th, which is the best FIFA ranking in over a decade.
- Mohun Bagan and Jeje Lalekhula nominated as the 2016 All India Football Federation (AIFF) Player of the Year.
- Sarita Devi is the first female boxer from India to step into the world of professional boxing.
- The Captain of Indian Men's hockey PR Sreejesh selected as a member of International Hockey federation (FIH).
- Gujarat won its major maiden Ranji Trophy after beating Mumbai at the Holkar Stadium.
- Kapil Dev inducted into the 'Hall of Fame' at the Cricket Club of India.
- Fastest batsman in the world to score 1000 runs as captain in One Day Internationals (ODI) is Virat kohli.
- Karun Nair Scores Triple century against England after Virender Sehwag.

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- Olympic game medals will be made from recycled mobile phones for the year 2022 to promote sustainability.
- India will host Women's Asia cup basketball tournament in July 2017 in Bengaluru.
- The Billiards and Snooker Federation of India (BSFI) will host the Billiards Championship for the next four years.
- Sports Minister Vijay Goel laid the foundation for the India's first Centre of Excellence for Para Sports in Gujarat.
- Jehen Daruvala is the first ever Indian to claim the New Zealand Grand Prix.
- India will be hosting the combined World Cup for shooting in 2019.
- Bengaluru has been chosen to host the next Davis Cup.
- Saina Nehwal to represent the panel of International Olympic Committee.
- Frank Lampard is the official Mascot for the 2017 FIFA U17 World Cup India.
- First player to score double century in four consecutive test series is Virat kohli.

March 2017

- Maria Sharapova granted wild card Italian Open as she makes her return from a doping ban.
- 22nd Asian Athletics championships will be hosted by Bhubaneshwar.
- World Women's Youth boxing Championship will be hosted by India In November for the first time since 2010.
- SSP Chawrasia is the only Indian golfer to retain his Hero Indian Open Title.
- Chris Bertish a South African surfer and a sailor is the first person in the world to cross Atlantic ocean.
- Goa won the Santosh Trophy by defeating West Bengal.
- Jitu Rai and Heena Sidhu bagged the first ever gold medal in the newly included 10m pistol.
- Tamil Nadu won the Vijay Hazare Trophy by beating Bengal.
- Bhubaneshwar to host the 2017 Men's Hockey World league final as well as the Men's World cup in 2018 at the Kalinga stadium.
- Kripa Shankar Bishnoi appointed as the International match referee by the United World Wrestling (UWW).
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- US based National Basketball Association (NBA) launched its first basketball school in Mumbai. The Indian Olympic Association (IOA) has granted affiliation to the Boxing Federation of India as a long standing tie.
- Indian boxer K Shyam Kumar (49 kg) won a gold medal in Thailand International Tournament.
- Actress Gul Panag is the first Indian women to drive a Formula E Racing car.
- PV Sindhu moved to number 3rd position in BWF rankings.
- Sai Praneeth won the Men's Single at Singapore Open Badminton championship by defeating K Srikanth in Singapore.
- Chris Gayle is the first cricketer to score 10,000 runs in T20 cricket.
- Sandhya Agarwal, former captain of the Indian Test Team offered honorary life membership of 'Marlyebone Cricket Club' (MCC).
- Cricket, Skateboarding, Sambo and Surfing are removed from the 2018 Asian games to be held in Jakarta.
- Virat Kohli is named as the Leading Cricketer in the World for the Year 2016 by the Wisden India Almanack.
- Ellyse Perry of Australia named as the Leading Woman Cricketer in the world.

May

- Bhavani Devi is the first Indian to win International fencing tournament held at Reykjavik in Iceland.
- Bengaluru FC beat Mohun Bagan to be crowned the Federation Cup champions in Odisha.
- National Basketball Association (NBA) the governing body in US inaugurated its first ever academy in India in Noida, Uttar Pradesh.
- Indian Para Athletics Team claimed a gold medal and a bronze medal at the World Para Athletics Grand Prix being held in Beijing, China.
- Devender Singh is a 2nd javelin thrower to qualify for London Worlds.
- Shiva Thapa won a silver medal at the Asian Boxing Championship in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.
- Joshnachinnapa is the first Indian to clinch the Asian Squash Title by defeating Dipika Pallikal.
- Great Britian wins Sultan Azlan Shah Cup beating Australia in Hockey.
- R.R.laxman won the All India Open Rapid World Chess Federation (FIDE) Rating Chess tournament.

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- R Vaishali won the Women's title in the Asia Continental Blitz Chess championship in Chengdu, China.
- Pentala Harikrishna registered his first win in the Moscow FIDE Grand Prix.
- Arjun Maini is the first Indian to win a GP3 Race Series in Barcelona, Spain.
- Indian football team has raised to rank 100th for the first time ver in over two decades.
- Harmanpreet Kaur is the first Indian women cricketer to play in England's T20 league.

June 2017

- BCCI forms 7 member committee under the head of Rajeev Shukla to oversee Lodha Panel Reforms.
- Indian Shooters Yashaswini Singh Deswal and Anish Bhanwala has bagged gold in ISSF Junior World Rifle Pistol championship.
- K Srikanth wins Australian and Indonesian open by defeating Chen Long and Kasumaza Sakai.
- Imran Khwaja is appointed as International Cricket Council (ICC) Deputy Chairman.
- As per ICC ranking Virat Kohli is the No.1 ODI Batsman.
- In International Shooting Sport federation (ISSF) Jitu Rai and Heena Sidhu have clinched the Gold medal.
- Lewis Hamilton wins Canadian Grand Prix for the Sixth time.
- Rafael Nadal wins his 10th French Open Title by defeating Stan Wawrinka.
- Jelena Ostapenko wins Women's Singles crown in French open Title.
- Rohan Bopanna and Gabriela Dabrowski wins French Open Mixed Doubles.
- Sai Praneeth wins Thailand Grand Prix Gold Title against Jonathan Christie.
- Ramachandra Guha resigns as BCCI administrator.