



Cricket

“Where Champions Rise and Records Fall.”



“No matter how talented you are or naturally gifted you are, there’s no substitute to hard work if you got to maintain standards.”

- Rohit Sharma

A game which needs no introduction, which everyone enjoys no matter what their favourite team or sports star is: yes, it is the one and only gentleman’s game of cricket. We all have practically grown up on a steady diet of cricket matches and the commentaries; felt the adrenalin rush and spent hours discussing the game play at work.

The academic session in St. Joseph’s College, Prayagraj started with many cricket events in which the most important was the CISCE U-14 regional cricket tournament 2024, which was hosted by our prestigious institution. Our team was crowned as the champions of the tournament by defeating Uttarakhand Team by 10 Wickets.

The students of our college, who represented Prayagraj in the CISCE National Sports & Games, 2024 were:

Krishnam Pandey (Captain), Mohd Hammad Khan, Mantra Rajnish, Aarav Gupta, Atharav Tripathi, Kriday Dubey, Kartikey Singh, Karna Veer Singh, Aryaman Ojha, Pratyush Yadav and Wali Abbas.

“Dare to dream, Play to Triumph!” seemed to be our motto as UP&UK emerged as the champions of the CISCE National Sports & Games 2024.

The second big tournament which gathered our team’s attention and hard work was the CISCE U-17 Regional Cricket Tournament 2024, which was held in Lucknow.

The team was well prepared to unleash the power of the Bat! The selected students were: - Raaghav Shukla (Captain), Devansh Prakash Tripathi (Vice-Captain), Parth Tandon, Kavya Dubey, Aryan Banerjee, Sabeel Ali, Shresth Chitranshi, Vedant Singh, Yash Vardhan Shukla, Prathamesh Yadav, Amogh Prasad, Hamza Hasan and Siddharth Agarwal.

I learnt from this sport – “Never let success get to your head and never let failure get to your heart!” After intense and closely contested matches played by

our team, we became the Second runners-up of this tournament.

Last year in the session 2023-24, CISCE Nationals U-19 Cricket Tournament was the first time, when history was made by the SJC team where 10 out of 16 players were from our team. With great pride, we grabbed the National Championship trophy.

One of the best players of team SJC, Parth Tandon, was selected for Nationals U-17, as he got the opportunity to represent UP&UK Nationals team held in Ahmedabad.

The next up was the Inter House cricket Tournament which was also the most awaited event of the year. Green House Senior team secured the first position and Blue House stood second. In the Junior Cricket team, Gold House secured the first position.

In concluding my thoughts as the Cricket Captain for the session 2024-25, I want to extend my deepest gratitude to every member of this incredible team. Our journey has been filled with challenges and triumphs, sweat and smiles, but most importantly it has been marked by an unwavering spirit of teamwork and camaraderie. It has been a privilege and an honour to lead such a dedicated and talented group of individuals.

At the end, I would not fail to mention that all this could not have been possible without the support, guidance, prudence and cooperation of our Principal, Rev.

Fr. Walter D’Silva and our Sports mentors, Mr. Mohd Shabi Rafique, Mr. A. Usmani, Mr. Z. Abbas and Mr. D. Ekka. I

am highly obliged to all of them as they left no stone unturned in training and shaping us to be champions.

Raaghav Shukla
Cricket Captain

Devansh Prakash Tripathi
Cricket Vice-Captain

