

CLOSING CEREMONY - 8TH NOVEMBER 2014

The 21st All India Forest Sports Meet 2014 concluded on 8th November 2014 with a colourful closing ceremony at the Athletics Stadium, Bambolim. Thirty five teams including all the State & Union Territory Forest Departments of the country along with Forest Institutions participated in the 168 event sports extravaganza.

At the end of the five day long sports meet, Chhattisgarh Forest Department emerged leaders with over 200 points followed by Uttarkhand Forest Department. Goa bagged two silver and one bronze medals in Football, Shotput and Kabaddi (Womens) events respectively.

The Goan team also won the second prize in March Past with Tamil Nadu bagging the first prize in that event. The five day long sports event was organised by the Goa Forest Department for the second time since its inception.

Goa had first organised such a meet in its 12th edition in the year 2004. The annual event began first in the year 1994 and has been hoisted at various places around India.



GLIMPSES OF CLOSING CEREMONY





The sports event took place simultaneously at nine venues including Peddem, Bambolim and Goa University sports complexes as well as the grounds at Dhuler, Porvorim, Campal and courts of Dona Paula, Miramar and Panjim gymkhana.

The concluding ceremony included a cultural programme depicting the cultural festivals of Goa with a mini shigmo and carnival parade. The Chief Guest for the function was Dr. S. S. Garbyal, Director General of Forests, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, New Delhi. Shri B. Vijayan, Retd Chief Secretary was the Guest of Honour.

Shri Richard D'Souza, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests who was responsible for the conduct of the Games was appreciated by all the teams for his leadership and smooth conduct of the Games. He was presented a memento of appreciation by the Director General of Forests.

