

Press Release from Sports and Youth Affairs Department Soreng District

Block Level School Games in Athletics for U-17 Boys & Girls Commence in Soreng District

Soreng, 9 September 2026: The Block Level School Games in Athletics for Under-17 Boys and Girls have commenced in Soreng District, beginning with Mangalbaria BAC, under the leadership of Shri Arjun Gurung, Assistant Director/D&DO, Sports & Youth Affairs Department, Soreng District, along with the concerned officials, Physical Education Teachers, Physical Education Instructors and supporting staff SYAD Soreng District.

The School Games are being organized with the broader objective of promoting the holistic development of school students through active participation in sports and games. Participation in sports contributes significantly towards physical fitness and overall well-being while developing essential life skills such as goal-setting, teamwork, discipline, leadership and problem-solving. The programme also seeks to provide students with opportunities to compete at the Block, District, State and National levels, identify sporting talent and create a healthy and competitive sporting environment among schools.

In the present digital era, increasing dependence on computers, smartphones, video games and television has contributed to sedentary lifestyles among school-going children. The School Games therefore provide an important platform to keep children physically active, mentally alert and socially engaged, while nurturing leadership qualities, team spirit and a positive attitude towards physical education.

The Mangalbaria BAC competition witnessed enthusiastic participation from young athletes representing different schools. Based on their performance, the following athletes have been selected for participation at the District Level School Games:

Long Jump

Girls – Angel Manger, GSSS Mangalbaria – 1st

Boys – Nihal Rai, GSSS Mangalbaria – 1st

Shot Put

Girls – Adrina Sherpa, GSSS Mangalbaria – 1st

Boys – Heridai Rai, Springdale Academy – 1st

100m Girls

Gresna Bhutia, Jhusingthang JHS – 1st

Anuka Subba, Jhusingthang JHS – 2nd

100m Boys

Nehal Rai, GSSS Mangalbaria – 1st

Biki Tamang, GSSS Mangalbaria – 2nd

400m Girls

Isha Rai, Springdale Academy – 1st

Smriti Rai, Springdale Academy – 2nd

400m Boys

Siddharth Khati, Noble English School – 1st

Sumit Rai, GSSS Mangalbaria – 2nd

800m Girls

Nim Doma Bhutia, GSSS Mangalbaria – 1st

Youngbong Rai, Springdale Academy – 2nd

800m Boys

Joshep Subba, GSSS Mangalbaria – 1st

Matthias Rai, Springdale Academy – 2nd

1500m Girls

Deya Tamang, Noble English School – 1st

Meshsila Tamang, Noble English School – 2nd

1500m Boys

Mausam Rai, GSSS Mangalbaria – 1st

Tshering Tharchen Lepcha, Noble English School – 2nd

The remaining Block Level Athletics competitions will be conducted on 10 September 2026 at Kaluk and Chumbung BACs, followed by Soreng and Daramdin BACs on 11& Baiguney BAC on 15th September 2026.

The Sports & Youth Affairs Department, Soreng District, congratulates all the participating athletes, selected players, schools, PETs, PEIs and officials, for their efforts in making the School Games a meaningful platform for nurturing young sporting talent.