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Press Release

Chandigarh, November 23:- The Punjab Governor and Administrator, UT, Chandigarh, General (Retd.) Dr. S.F. Rodrigues, PVSM VSM while presiding over the Punjab Rowing Association function at Lake Club, here this evening, asked the budding rowers to forge ahead with commitment, determination and dedication to attain eminence in the discipline. He said that Chandigarh has world class sports infrastructure in different disciplines of sports including Rowing, Hockey, Football and Cricket and emphasized the need of their optimal utilization by different sports organizations for producing outstanding players to compete in various national and international events.

Impressing upon the Punjab Rowing Association the need for adopting a structured approach and promoting this sports activity through an action plan, General Rodrigues called for giving more exposure to the young rowers for training them in other water sports bodies so that they are not familiar with only one environment but have access at other places to pursue their skills. He said that these young players must plan to represent India and their capabilities and capacities must be harnessed by giving them world class training and other infrastructural support.

Responding to the demand of the organizers for creating more infrastructure support at the Lake Club, General Rodrigues asked the Director Sports, Mr. M.L. Sharma present on the occasion to coordinate the endeavour. He also asked the organizers to broad base their endeavour and take young rowers on board from the whole region.

Mr. Adesh Partap Singh Kairon, Cabinet Minister Punjab and President Punjab Amateur Rowing Association (Regd.) while giving a brief about the organization said that the Punjab Amateur Rowing Association (Regd.) was allowed to use a part of Boat Club, Chandigarh for encouraging Rowing Sports in the State of Punjab. The Association has arranged 13 Boats & 40 Oars for their players. The players from the State of Punjab were able to won 4 National Medals (3 Silver, 1 Bronze) in Junior Rowing Championship after practice at Sukhna Lake/Boat Club, Chandigarh.

Mr. Sukhdev Singh Dhindsa, former Union Minister and other eminent sports persons were present on the occasion.