

### **ITBP Indus Ice Hockey Challenge 2025 (Feb 12th to Feb 15th.)**

The first-ever ITBP Indus Ice Hockey Challenge commenced today at Chushul, Ladakh, bringing together teams from eight vibrant villages of the region in a spirited competition. The tournament, organized by the Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP), aims to promote unity and increase youth participation in the fast-growing sport of ice hockey.

The event was inaugurated by Dr. Akun Sabharwal, IPS, Inspector General, ITBP, in the presence of senior Army officers, local administration officials, village heads (Nambardars), and religious leaders. Their presence underscored the collective commitment to fostering sports culture and strengthening community bonds in Ladakh.

The tournament, scheduled from February 12 to 15, 2025, is set to witness high-energy matches played on the frozen expanse of Chushul. Ice hockey, an integral part of Ladakh's sporting culture, has seen a surge in enthusiasm, particularly among the youth. This initiative by ITBP seeks to further enhance local talent, provide a platform for young players, and celebrate the region's sporting spirit.

Speaking at the inauguration, Dr. Akun Sabharwal emphasized the significance of the event in bringing the youth together and encouraging them to pursue excellence in ice hockey. He highlighted ITBP's commitment to community engagement and promoting sports in the high-altitude regions of India.

With the scenic backdrop of Ladakh and the passion of local players fueling the competition, the ITBP Indus Ice Hockey Challenge promises to be an exciting and memorable tournament.



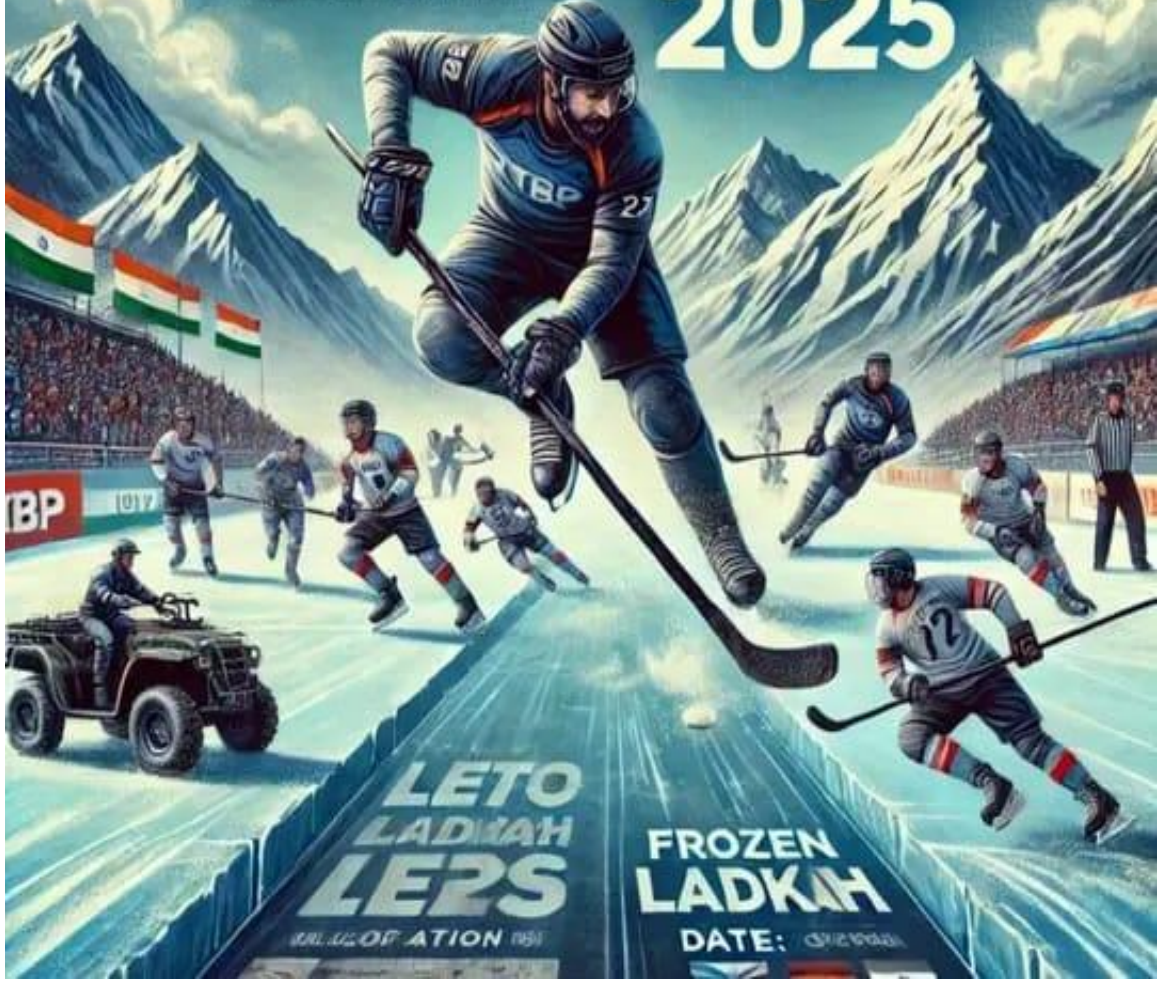


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