**Annual Sports Report 2023-24**

**BITS Pilani, Dubai Campus**

The 20th edition of the BITS Sports Festival (BSF) was successfully organized by BITS Pilani, Dubai Campus from the 5th to the 12th of December, 2023. This prestigious Inter-University Tournament was conducted featuring a variety of sports, including Basketball, Badminton, Chess, Cricket, Table Tennis, Lawn Tennis, Volleyball, Throwball, Football, and Athletics. Over 3,500 participants representing 30+ universities and institutions across the UAE were involved in this highly anticipated event.

The final day of the tournament was made memorable by the presence of the renowned cricketer, Mr. Chris Gayle, as the Chief Guest, and the BSF 2023 was declared a grand success.

**Activities and Initiatives**

In addition to BSF, several inter-year tournaments for students and exclusive tournaments for faculty and staff were conducted by the Sports Club of BITS Pilani, Dubai Campus. These activities were organized to highlight the inclusive and active sports culture on campus.

**Sports Club Members 2023-24**

* Faculty In-charge: Dr. M. Rafiuddin
* Office Bearers:
	+ Bharathwaj M (President)
	+ Shashank Jai Chandra (Vice President)
	+ Keiraa Khuarana (General Secretary)
	+ Shaurya Gupta (Treasurer)
	+ Akshat Malve (Ex-Officio)

**Achievements in Inter-University Tournaments**

Exceptional talent was showcased by the students of BITS Pilani, Dubai Campus in various inter-university tournaments, and numerous laurels were secured for the institution. The key achievements are summarized below:

**BITS Sports Festival (BSF) - 5th to 12th December 2023**

* Badminton (Boys), Second
* Basketball (Boys), Second
* Basketball (Girls), Second
* Chess (Boys), First
* Chess (Girls), First
* Cricket (Boys), First
* Football (Boys), Second
* Long Jump (Girls), Second
* Table Tennis (Girls), First
* Table Tennis (Boys), First
* Tennis (Boys), First
* Tennis (Girls), First
* Throwball (Girls), First
* Volleyball (Boys), Second
* Volleyball (Girls), Second

**Amity League - 24th to 26th october 2023**

* Table Tennis (Boys), First
* Volleyball (Girls), Second

**RAKMSHU Sports Festival - 1st to 4th November 2023.**

* Badminton (Boys), First
* Table Tennis (Boys), First
* Table Tennis (Girls), Second
* Throwball (Girls), Second
* Volleyball (Boys), Second

**Manipal Sports Festival - 11th December 2023**

* Chess (Girls), First
* Table Tennis (Boys), First
* Table Tennis (Girls), First
* Throwball (Girls), First

**Watt Fest - 17th February 2024**

* Chess (Girls), First
* Table Tennis (Boys), First
* Table Tennis (Girls), First
* Tennis (Boys), First
* Tennis (Girls), First

**Center Line Academy Tournament - 30th November 2024**

* Volleyball (Boys), Second

**GMU Sports Festival - 3rd march 2023**

* Volleyball (Girls), Second

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Gratitude is expressed to everyone for contributing to an incredible year of sports at BITS Pilani, Dubai Campus.

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