<u>Dr. Kanishka Pandey was honored with the First Major Dhyanchand Khel Prerak</u> Samman

Dr. Kanishka Pandey, Head, Sports Research Centre, IMT Ghaziabad, was awarded the First Major Dhyanchand Khel Prerak Samman for his contribution to sports awareness.

Mr. Ashok Dhyanchand son of Major Dhyanchand, presented this honor to Dr. Kanishka. This year, the Dhyanchand Heroes Club Sports Development Committee bestowed this honor on Dr. Kanishka Pandey. Arjuna Award winner Mr. Ashok Dhyanchand, Major Dhyanchand award winner Mr. Ashok Dewan, Former International Hockey Player Mr. Arvind Chhabra, Major Dhyanchand Award Winner Mr. Romeo James, Mr. Vineet Kumar International Hockey Player, and others were also present at the event.

Dr. Vishal Talwar, Director, IMT Ghaziabad, spoke at the event and said "Dr. Kanishka Pandey receiving this prestigious award, is a wonderful honor for the institute". Dr. Kanishka expressed his gratitude for the award but noted that there was/is still more work to be done in the field of sports in India. It is critical to raise public knowledge regarding sports to achieve this. Only then will India be able to become a sporting giant.



