



**INAUGURATION**

10:30  
am

**LIGHTING THE LAMP**

**OPENING SESSION**

10:35  
am

**CANCERMAN TO IRONMAN: A POLICE OFFICER'S JOURNEY OF ARRESTING ILLNESS**

An extraordinary journey from a cancer survivor to a formidable Ironman athlete. Author Nidhin Valsan in conversation with seasoned broadcast journalist Vishnu Shankar

**SESSION 2**

11:00  
am

**FUTURE OF INDIAN SPRINTING**

Sprinting sensation Animesh Kujur, who holds the second-best time in the 200m in India and Head coach of the Odisha Reliance Foundation Athletics High-Performance Centre Martin Owens speak with Rupinder Singh, Director RPR Sports, and a former national junior athletic champion

**SESSION 3**

11:30  
am

**THE CHESS REVOLUTION: UNDERSTANDING THE POWER OF AN ANCIENT GAME IN THE DIGITAL AGE**

In his insightful book, "The Chess Revolution," acclaimed journalist Peter Doggers explores the fascinating world of chess beyond the black and white squares. Joining him on the panel is Grandmaster Srinath Narayanan. Moderating the session is Indian Express' Assistant Editor (Sports) Amit Kamath

**SESSION 4**

12:20  
pm

**STATE POWER, SPORTING POWER**

Panelists: Mr. J. Meghanatha Reddy, Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu, Mr Raveendran Sankaran, Director General & CEO Bihar State Sports Authority, Hockey India President Dilip Tirkey and former hockey captain and current Punjab MLA Pargat Singh with seasoned presenter Shireen

**LUNCH 1 - 2 PM**



**SESSION 5**

**GULLY GULLY: TRAVELS AROUND INDIA DURING THE 2023 WORLD CUP**

02:00  
pm

Book Launch and chat with author Aditya Iyer. The book explores the profound impact of cricket on India, revealing cricket's role in shaping the nation's identity. Aditya has covered cricket World Cups, football World Cups and Grand Slams. Steering the session is seasoned broadcaster and media entrepreneur Arup Ghosh

**SESSION 6**

**FAIRNESS AND INCLUSION: NAVIGATING TRANSGENDER PARTICIPATION  
IN WOMEN'S SPORTS**

02:30  
pm

Panelists: Pinki Pramanik, Asian Games Gold Medalist, Dutee Chand, India's first openly gay athlete and two-time Olympian, Gopi Shankar Madurai, Indian equal rights activist, with multimedia journalist Annesha Ghosh

**SESSION 7**

**WITNESS**

03:15  
pm

A discussion on former wrestler Sakshi Malik's book Witness with co-author Jonathan Selvaraj, her husband and former wrestler Satyavrat Kadian and Olympian Gian Singh. Moderating the session is seasoned broadcaster Arup Ghosh

**SESSION 8**

**WE SHARE THE SUN: THE INCREDIBLE JOURNEY OF KENYA'S LEGENDARY RUNNING  
COACH PATRICK SANG AND THE FASTEST RUNNERS ON EARTH**

04:15  
pm

Author Sarah Gearhart will talk about how Kenya produces the world's greatest distance runners. Special guest is Ezekiel Kemboi Cheboi, two-time Olympic and four-time World Champion in the 3000m steeplechase. Moderating the session is broadcast journalist Shyam Vasudevan

05:15  
pm

**HIGH TEA**

05:30  
pm

**SPORTS BOOK AWARDS**