

River rafting carnival in Chamba

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Another attraction for adventure tourism in Chamba valley of Himachal Pradesh is all set to lure water sports lovers with a three-day white water river rafting carnival in river Ravi. The carnival will begin on June 2 and conclude on June 4.

Deputy Commissioner, Devesh Kumar said the carnival was aimed at bringing the Chamba valley on the map of adventure tourism adding that boating and kayaking had already been introduced in Chamera reservoir near famous tourist resort, Dalhousie and the efforts were on for starting additional activities and creating more amenities under way side amenities programme.

The carnival would be organized under the aegis of district rafting association and have three categories of competition- sprint, salalam and marathon, DC added.

“Various teams of Chamba district would participate in the competition under the supervision of experts. On the directives of principal secretary, tourism and civil aviation, Manisha Nanda a technical committee has also been constituted to finalise the stretches on river Ravi for commercial rafting. The committee will visit on June 6 and identify the locations. After the recommendations of committee, the avenues of commercial rafting will open and local unemployed youth after fulfilling required formalities can adopt river rafting as self-employment venture,” Devesh Kumar said.
