Goa Police down Vasco SC in a 3-2 thriller

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MAPUSA: Goa Police SC fought gallantly to come from two goals deficit to edge past Vasco SC 3-2 in the Goa Professional League match played at Duler Stadium, here, on Monday.

GOA PRO LEAGUE

Goa Police dominated in the first 30 minutes of the first session but Kunal Salgaonkar and Mayrush Naik time and again failed to find the back of the nylons.

In the 34th and 35th minute Vasco SC scored two quick goals.

A diagonal pass by Vasco SC's medio Laishram Singh was controlled by Ngulgoulal Singsit and after dribbling past the onrushing Goa Police goalkeeper Saiesh Kunkolkar, placed the ball into the goal, 1-0.

Hardly had the cheers died down Vasco SC doubled their lead where a powerful shot by Laishram from the edge of the box saw Ngulgoulal squeeze the ball into the goal, 2-0.

On crossing ends, Goa Police were a transformed unit where they not only levelled terms but scored the winning goal in the stoppage time.

Just three minutes into the second session and a curling corner by Dikshay Sarap was strongly nodded by Harshad Gaonkar into the goal, 2-1.

As the match progressed in the 61st minute, Goa Police equalised almost in the similar fashion but this time a corner by Dikshay was headed by Harshad to Mayuresh Naik, who nodded to Shubham Shirwaikar, who also nodded into the goal, 2-2.

When it looked the teams were heading for a draw in the 94th minute a free-kick by Goa Police Siddesh was controlled by Anant Gad who then released the ball to Kunal Salgaonkar, who slammed the ball into the far corner of the goal, 3-2.

Assagao Union High School emerged champions in the North Goa District Girls U-14 Football Championship organised by the Directorate of Sports and Youth Affairs, at Quitula sports complex, on Monday.In the final, Assagao Union High School downed The Rosary High School, Dona Paula, 3-0. Vidisha Assgaonkar, Sangeeta and Kattimani scored for the winners. The team along with coach Amit and match officials

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Liverpool humbled by Plymouth, Villa beat Tottenham in FA Cup

LONDON: Liverpool suffered a stunning FA Cup exit on Sunday in a 1-0 defeat to Championship strugglers Plymouth, while Aston Villa inflicted another damaging 2-1 defeat on Tottenham boss Ange Postecoglou. Arne Slot's decision to field a weakened team came back to haunt him, with Ryan Hardie's second-half penalty sealing Plymouth's epic upset and ending Liverpool's quest for a quadruple at Home Park. Virgil van Dijk, Mohamed Salah, Andrew Robertson and Cody Gakpo were among the stars rested as Slot made 10 changes from the team that thrashed Tottenham 4-0 in the League Cup semi-final second leg on Thursday. English FA Cup results: Aston Villa 2 (Ramsey 1, Rogers 64) Tottenham 1 (Tel 90+1), Blackburn 0 Wolves 2 (Gomes 33, Cunha 34), Plymouth 1 (Hardie 53-pen) Liverpool 0.

Barca rout Sevilla to maintain title charge

SEVILLE: Barcelona cut the gap on La Liga's top two with an entertaining 4-1 win over Sevilla on Sunday, despite playing out the final half-hour with 10 men after Fermin Lopez's red card. Robert Lewandowski, Lopez, Raphinha and Eric Garcia struck for the Catalans, who were able to capitalise on leaders Real Madrid's 1-1 draw with second-placed Atletico Madrid on Saturday. Hansi Flick's Barca climbed within two points of Los Blancos and moved one behind Atletico to crank up the tension in the title race. Spanish La Liga results: Alaves 0 Getafe 1 (Arambarri 44-pen), Valencia 2 (Mosquera 30, Diakhaby 41) Leganes 0, Real Sociedad 2 (Becker 1, Mendez 84) Espanyol 1 (Puado 53-pen), Sevilla 1 (Vargas 8) Barcelona 4 (Lewandowski 7, Lopez 46, Raphinha 55, Garcia 89).

Djokovic says injury 'almost 100% healed'

BELGRADE: Novak Djokovic said Monday his leg injury, which shattered his Australian Open dream, was "almost 100 per cent healed" and he was ready to aim for his 100th ATP title in Doha this month. "There's no longer any muscle tear. The injury is almost 100 percent healed and I'm ready to go for more victories," Djokovic said in an interview with Montenegrin newspaper Vijesti. "I have the green light from the medical team to train, to prepare."

Joel wins Mr Madgao, Champion of Champion titles, Olivia clinches women's championship

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MARGAO: Joel Gonsalves of Maximum Muscles Gym, Fatorda, won the Mr Madgao, Champion of Champion titles at the All Goa Bodybuilding Championship organised by Youth of Aquem-Malbhat in association with the Goa Bodybuilding and Fitness Association, at Margao, recently.

The championship was held under the leadership of Yogiraj Digambar Kamat and under guidance of former chief minister Digambar Kamat supported by Model Margao.

The Goa Bodybuilding and Fitness Association recognised by the Indian Body Builders Federation, Goa Sports Authority and Goa Olympic Association successfully conducted the championship held in different categories - Masters, Men's and Women's Physique Sports etc.

Other results: Best poser Aakash Pawar (Fitness House, Ribandar). Most improved body builder Toushif Kalatgee (Core Fitness Centre). Men's physique title winner Varad Parab (SAG Mapusa). Women's title winner Olivia Coutinho.

Team championship Infinity Gym Margao.

Master category above 50 years: 1st place Sudarshan Girap, 2nd place Gurudas naik, 3rd place Luis Barreto and 4th place Bharamanna Katliman.

Men's physique sports: 1st place Varad Parab, 2nd Chetan Shetkar, 3rd place Akhil Naik, 4th place Shivanand Gaude and 5th place Hassan Hubliwala.

Women's physique sports: 1st place Olivia Coutinho, 2nd place Muskan Shaik and 3rd place Nelisha Barreto.

Body building 55kg: 1st place Neston Barreto, 2nd place Dishant Goankar, 3rd place Sagar Roy, 4th place Ali Khazi, 5th place Manav Kunkolkar. 60kg: 1st place Abhishek Yadav, 2nd place Rajesh Katekar, 3rd place Pravin Madkaikar,

4th place Sydney Monteiro, 5th place Narayan Mandrekar. 65kg: 1st place Toushif Kalatgee, 2nd place Raju Teli, 3rd place Akshay Mulgaonkar, 4th place Laljit Chaudhary, 5th place Sanjeva Saibana.

70kg: 1st place Aditya Morlekar, 2nd place Tanveer Nagnuri, 3rd place Sujay Naik, 4th place Upendra Dicholkar, 5th place Babani Tarpe. 75kg: 1st place Akash Madkaikar, 2nd place Sarvesh Fatarpekar, 3rd place Gurudas Kunkolkar,

4th place Umesh Bhumkar, 5th place Dhanesh Dessai. 75+kg: 1st place Joel Gonsalves, 2nd place Vitthal Govekar, 3rd place Shivam Dessai, 4th place Digambar Rane, 5th place Shankar Kamble.

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The men and women winners along with the dignitaries at Margao, recently

Odisha FC stay afloat in play-offs race

AGENCIES, BHUBANESWAR: Odisha FC held Punjab FC to a 1-1 draw in the Indian Super League match played at the Kalinga Stadium, Bhubaneswar, on Monday.

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A red card in the 44th minute to Rahul KP, pegged Odisha FC on the backfoot as Petros Giakoumakis opened the scoring in the first half. The second half saw Isak Vanlalruatfela's strike level things up for the Juggernauts as they eventually salvaged a point from a tricky fixture. Despite the draw, both teams are well and truly in play-offs contention heading into the rest of the matches.

RESULT

Odisha FC 1 (Isak Vanlalruatfela 52') Punjab FC 1 (Petros Giakoumakis 45+2')

Bardez Veterans up

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MAPUSA: Bardez Veterans registered a well-deserved 2-0 win over Calangute Veterans in the 3rd All Goa Siolim Veterans football tournament played at St Anthony's Church ground, Siolim, on Monday.

Bardez scored the goals through Sailesh Miskin in the 6th minute and dying minutes. Calangute missed numerous opportunities to score in both the halfs. Salvador Fernandes, a former State and Sesa Goa SC player was the chief guest and gave away the cash prize for the first scorer Sailesh Miskin and man-of-the-match to Gavin Araujo.

I-League 2: Sporting Clube look for win at home

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PANJIM: After a challenging start to their I-League 2 campaign, Sporting Clube de Goa are set to play their first home game of the season against KLASA FC at the Bambolim Stadium, on Tuesday.

PREVIEW

Having collected just one point from their opening two away fixtures, the Flaming Oranje will be eager to secure their first win in front of their home supporters.

Head coach Armando Colaco acknowledged the challenges of starting with back-to-back away matches but remained optimistic about his team's progress.

"It's always difficult to play outside the 1state, but the positive is that we have scored in both matches and managed to grab a point," Colaco said.

"Now, we are looking forward to our first home game. The boys are ready, and we will give our best to secure all three points. We urge our fans to come out in large numbers to support us," he further added.

Raia SC to meet Fr Agnelo YSC in final on Sunday

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RAIA: Raia Sporting Club booked the place in final of 1st Vauradencho Ixtt Trophy inter-village football tournament organised by Margao Sports Club in association with Batora United Club, defeating Guardian Angel SC, Curchorem, 2-0, in the semi-final played at the DSYA ground, Curtorim, on Monday.

Swidon Barbosa scored a brace in the 17th and 34th minute for Raia Sporting Club. Raia Sporting Club will now face Fr Agnelo YSC, Paroda, in the final to be played on February 16.

108 Ambulance Senior Executive Joseph Mathew was the chief guest and gave away the man-of-match to Swindon Barbosa of Raia Sporting Club.

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108 Ambulance Senior Executive Joseph Mathew present the man-of-match award to Swindon Barbosa of Raia Sporting Club

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Maina SC move ahead

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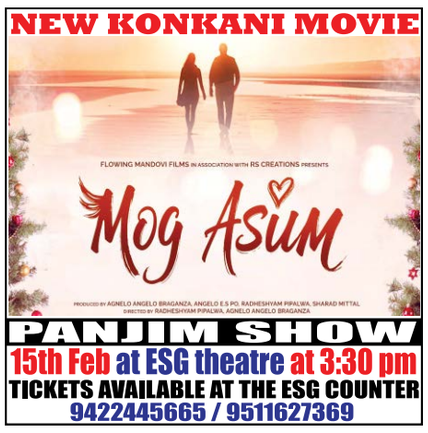
RAIA: Maina SC moved past Don Bosco Oratory, Fatorda, 7-6 via tie-breaker to move ahead in the Lourdes Soccer football tournament played at Ambelim ground, on Monday.

LOURDES SOCCER

Both the teams started the match on an attcaking note in search of early goals. Elroy Barreto gave the lead to Don Bosco Oratory, while Ryan Fernandes cancelled the lead for Maina SC to end the regulation time with a 1-1 draw.

In the ensuing tie-breaker, Joywin Carneiro, Nickson Castanha, Ryan Fernandes, Rhay Dias, Jovel Martins and Prakash Joshi scored for Maina SC, while Roque Borges, Hanslum Furtado, Alfred Noronha, Richie Vaz and Joel Camara netted for Don Bosco Oratory.



South Goa United, Vasco City win

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RAIA: South Goa United Sports Club defeated Rising Star SCC 5-1 to register a win in the GFA Division II League match played at Don Bosco Oratory ground, Fatorda, on Monday.

Casvino Fernandes scored a brace, while Jayden Pinto, Devvil Fernandes and substitute Rayman Fernandes scored a goal each for South Goa United Sports Club.

GFA DIV II LEAGUE

The only goal for Rising Star SCC was scored by Judson Soares.

At Cansaulim sports complex ground, Vasco City SCC downed Guirdolim Club 3-0.

Edwin Da Cruz, Abhishek Kumar Singh and Sushant Borkar scored for Vasco City SCC.

DBO Fatorda are South Goa GFA U-13 Div II champions

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The champions along with chief guest Goa Football Association President Caetano Fernandes, GFA Vice-President Antonio Pango, Cosme Oliver, Constancio Rodrigues, Shubert Furtado, other GFA officials and dignitaries at the Rosary Church ground, Navelim

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RAIA: Don Bosco Oratory, Fatorda, outplayed Ave Maria A&WC, Benaulim, 5-1 in the final to emerge champions in the GFA South Goa U-13 Division II League match played at the Rosary Church ground, Navelim, on Monday.

Don Bosco Oratory scored a brace through Ruben Pereira in the 28th and 46th minute, while Presly Faleiro netted in the 22nd and 70th minute and Johan Shellon Araujo in the 25th minute. For Ave Maria A&WC, Chandan Kharsel scored the lone goal in the 63rd minute.

Goa Football Association President Caetano Fernandes was the chief guest and gave away the prizes in presence of Vice-President Antonio Pango, Cosme Oliver, Constancio Rodrigues, Shubert Furtado and other dignitaries and GFA officials.

Dempo SC, FC Goa begin regional rounds with wins

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GUIRIM: In an action-packed day of Dream Sports Championship U-17 football, Dempo Sports Club delivered a commanding performance with a 12-0 victory over Sporting Clube de Goa at the Field of Dreams, Guirim, on Monday.

Faris led the scoring with a hat-trick and earned player-of-the-Match honours. Vishal, Yug Ramdas and Jodrick each contributed braces, while Jonathan and Vivan added one goal each.

The playmaking duo of Tanuj and Shreyash controlled the game with three assists each.

In the second match, FC Goa secured a solid 3-0 win against Guardian Angel SC. Josley opened the scoring with an assist from Sangam, followed by goals from Meldon and Asher, the latter assisted by Leonard. Joy was named player-of-the-match.

On Tuesday, Belgaum United FA will face Sporting Clube de Goa at 9 am, while Sesa FA will meet Guardian Angel SC, at 12 noon.

GOA DIARY

8-a-side veterans football tournament at Fatorda

RAIA: The 8th All Goa 8-a-side veterans football tournament organised by Fatorda Veterans will start from February 17, at Don Bosco Oratory ground, Fatorda. For more information, teams interested in participating should contact Joao Araujo, Jack or Tony.

TODAY'S SPORTS

I-League: Churchill Brothers FC vs Delhi Football Club, at Raia panchayat ground, 3.30 pm

Goa Professional League: Clube de Salgaocar vs Guardian Angel SC, at Duler Stadium, Mapusa, 3.45 pm

GFA U-13 Division I League: Vasco SC vs Calangute Association, at Tilak Maidan, Vasco, 3.45 pm

Lourdes Soccer: United Boys of Ambaulim vs Fr Agnelo Youth Sports Club, Paroda, at Ambelim ground, 4.30 pm

3rd All Goa Siolim Veterans: Mitra Veterans vs Arsenal Veterans, at Siolim ground, 4.30 pm