

Compassion FC champions

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The champions along with chief guest, former minister Avertano Furtado, Goa Football Association President Caitano Fernandes, Vice-President Anthony Pango, Shubert Furtado and other dignitaries, at the Sinquetim sports complex ground, recently

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RAIA: Compassion FC moved past Union of Chinchinim Villagers 5-4 via tie-breaker to emerge champions of the Goa Football Association U-13 Division I League girls football

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Mount Mary's Higher Secondary School, Chinchinim, defeated St Xavier's Higher Secondary School, Mapusa, to finish third at the State level football tournament organised by the Directorate of Sports and Youth Affairs, Campal-Panjim, at Santa Cruz ground, Panjim. The team along with Physical Education Teacher Johnston Ribeiro and SAG coach Jerry Fernandes

GFA U-13 GIRLS DIVISION I LEAGUE

match played, at the Sinquetim sports complex ground. Risa Oliveira scored a brace for Union of Chinchinim Villagers, while Asma Bandodkar and Jasmine Baral scored a goal each for Compassion FC in

the regulation time. In the ensuing tie-breaker, Abigail Gracias, Quinnell Lourenco and Asma Bandodkar scored for Compassion FC, while only Eleora Crasto and Jojada Rocha were on target for Union of

Chinchinim Villagers. Former minister Avertano Furtado was the chief guest and handed over the prizes to the winners and runners-up in the presence of Goa Football Association President Caitano Fernandes, Vice-President Anthony Pango and Shubert Furtado.

Chetan is chairman of Archery coaches panel

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PANJIM: Chetan Kavlekar has been appointed as the chairman of Coaches Committee by the Archery Association of India, recently. Chetan will be responsible for selecting methodology for selection of coaches for international competition, recommending coaches for international events, organising and implementing further education and training of Indian coaches, working as a part of Selection Committee member for able and para archers.



He is presently the vice-president of Archery Association of India and former secretary of Amateur Archery Association Goa. Chetan, who is qualified as MA, MPEd, M Phil, LLB (General) NSNIS (c) in table tennis and basketball is also a qualified Federation Technical Official in athletics, qualified official in table tennis, netball, basketball and archery. He is also appointed as the member of Archery Association of India Recruitment Committee. Chetan is a former national player in table tennis, basketball, netball and handball and has also coached Goa State team in basketball, netball and handball. He has also been awarded State Best Physical Teacher Award and also National level best PE Teacher's Award, stated a press release.

Panjim Footballers edge past Calangute Assn

Pax of Nagoa get the better of Churchill Bros 3-0

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MAPUSA/RAIA: Panjim Footballers managed to edge past Calangute Association SC by 2-1 margin in the Goa Professional Relegation League match played at Duler Stadium, here, on Friday.

In a thrilling encounter, both the teams having lost their earlier two league matches came into the match all focused to return home with a win.

to level terms. In another match, Pax of Nagoa got the better of Churchill Brothers 3-0 at the Nagoa panchayat ground, on Friday.

Pax of Nagoa wasted no time asserting their dominance, breaking the deadlock early through Velroy. Stephen Satarkar orchestrated the move, weaving past his marker before teeing up Velroy, who took a touch and rifled a fierce strike into the net.

The hosts doubled their advantage in spectacular fashion

Churchill Brothers defence with a pinpoint pass to Beneston Barretto. A defensive lapse saw the Churchill Brothers keeper fail to collect, allowing Barretto to pounce and roll the ball into an empty net.

Churchill Brothers pushed forward in search of a response, with H-Okip squandering two good chances - first dragging a first-time effort wide from a Scott cross and later missing the target after being played through by Richard. But Pax of Nagoa's defence stood tall, sealing a dominant 3-0 win.

GOA PRO RELEGATION LEAGUE

For Panjim Footballers who are languishing at the bottom of the league table with just five points played their hearts out to score a goal in each session of play through U-21 Kavya Katkar in the 24th minute of play with a neat placement and Richie Vaz scored the winning goal in the 65th minute through his individual brilliance.

Calangute Association with 13 points before the start of the Relegation League did have their chances but Vishesh Nasnodkar managed to score his first strike from the penalty spot in the 35th minute, but missed the second kick in the second session

- Satarkar slipping a precise through ball to Adarsh on the left, who curled a stunning effort into the top corner.

Pax of Nagoa nearly added the third goal before the break as Nickson Castanha whipped in a dangerous cross, finding Satarkar unmarked, but his close-range effort went just wide.

Churchill Brothers struggled to carve out clear-cut chances, with Jobern Cardoz's shot from the edge of the box comfortably collected by the Pax of Nagoa goalkeeper.

The second half saw Pax of Nagoa put the game to bed. Satarkar, at the heart of everything, sliced open the

Enoch guides Enfermos SC to collect full points

Cana Benaulim-Ponda Footballers share spoils

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RAIA: Enfermos SC downed Clube Desportivo 4-3 in the Goa Football Association Futsal League match played at Manohar Parrikar Indoor Stadium, Navelim, on Friday. Enoch Pires scored a brace, while Sam Moura and Rowan Fernandes scored a goal each for Enfermos SC. Pratik Naik scored a brace and Athan Nunes was the other scorer for Clube Desportivo.

football tournament played at Don Bosco ground, Fatorda.

The all-important goal came from the boots of Sailesh Miskin in the second half of play for Calangute Veterans.

Sailesh Miskin of Calangute Veterans was declared as the man of the match, which was presented by Simon Andrade, former player of Don Bosco Oratory, Fatorda.

Wilred Cup: Velsao SCC in quarters

FOOTBALL LEAGUES

The match between Cana Benaulim and Ponda Footballers ended in a 3-3 draw. Ainsley Araujo scored a brace and Santosh Vishwakarma was the other scorer for Ponda Footballers. For Cana Benaulim Sporting Association, Landan Mendonca scored a brace, while Jason Astin Nunes netted the other goal.

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Dominic Soares of Velsao Sports and Cultural Club was awarded the man-of-the-match by Dominic Paes, club member.

Sailesh strikes as Calangute Veterans storm into final

Calangute Veterans scored a solitary goal victory over Murda Veterans to enter into the final of 10th Fatorda Veterans

TODAY'S SPORTS

Goa Professional League (Relegation League): Vasco SC vs Guardian Angel SC, at Tilak Maidan, Vasco, 4 pm
GFA Futsal League: Parish Youth Nuvem vs Margao SC, at Manohar Parrikar Indoor Stadium, Navelim, 6 pm. UC Verna vs Futebol Club YFA, 7 pm. Ambelim SC vs Sebastiao YC, Murda-Fatorda, 8 pm
Benaulim Constituency Youth football (final): Varca Youth vs Carmona Youth, at

Varca ground, 4 pm
Benaulim Constituency Veterans football (final): Benaulim A Veterans vs Benaulim B, at Varca ground, 5 pm
14th Wilred Leisure Soccer Cup: Fr Agnelo YSC, Paroda, vs Cuncolim Union, at the DSYA ground, Curtorim, 4.45 pm
Late Zeferin memorial football tournament at Padrihbhatt ground, Sao Jose de Areal, from 10 am

Avengers, Mangirish win

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MARGAO: Desserts N'More Avengers and Mangirish Veterans tasted victory in their respective matches at the 2nd Goa Veteran Cricket League T20 tournament played, at the MCC ground. Mangirish Veterans put up a robust display as they chased a challenging total of 154/6 posted by Vasco Mariners, in 19.5 overs with 2 wickets in hand.

2ND GOA VETERANS CRICKET LEAGUE T20

In the other match, Desserts N'More Avengers did not encounter much trouble as they chased Royal Ruby's modest total of 127/9 reaching 129/5 in 18.4 overs.

In a strong batting performance, Raghuvveer Lotlikar (65) and Chandrakant



Razashad Shaikh receives the man-of-the-match from Rizwan Khan



Govind Gaokar presents the man-of-the-match to Sagar Gosavi

Ghadi (50) were the major contributors for Vasco Mariners as they opted to bat first. Balkrishna Hodarkar (2/35) was the pick of the bowlers for Mangirish Veterans, who replied with a fitting chase. Damodar Redkar graced a half century scoring 53 runs at the top of the order while Razashad Shaikh (45 off 25 balls) played a crucial hand towards the finishing end as Mangirish Veterans reached 158/8 with a ball to spare. The man-of-the match was awarded to Razashad Shaikh, who received the prize from Rizwan Khan.

Later, Desserts N'More Avengers restricted Royal Ruby to a modest total as Sagar Gosavi sent down an impactful spell claiming 4/18 off his 4 overs. Sanjay Dabolkar (33) and SB Yadav (29) were the top two scores for Royal Ruby, while Micky Colaco (37) and Naresh Parsekar (20 not out) did a good job with the bat for Desserts N'More Avengers. Shailesh (2/21) was the key bowler for Royal Ruby. Sagar Gosavi was named the man-of-the-match and received the award from Govind Gaokar.

India on its way to becoming women football powerhouse in 10 years: Walsh

PTI, BENGALURU: Sarah Walsh, former Australia player and the current head of women's football in her country, believes India is on the path to becoming a women's football powerhouse within the next 10 years.

Walsh was in conversation with Isa Guha and former women's footballer and FIFA Council Member Moya Todd at the RCB Innovation Lab Indian Sports Summit at the Padukone Dravid Centre for Sports Excellence on Friday.

Walsh, who represented Australia at the Olympics and the FIFA World Cup, stressed how she saw tremendous potential for the Indian wom-

en's football team's growth on the global stage.

"I am a little nervous about India in the future of football. I think they're going to be a powerhouse in 10 years. If you look at world sport through the men's sporting lens, the gap might be a lot bigger when you talk about football, but it is absolutely not in cricket."

"In the women's landscape, there are fewer years to correct. In football, the Indian women's team are ranked 13 in Asia and 67 in the world. India are ranked 67 among the 211 countries that play football," Walsh said.

She said that the sport would receive a massive fillip

if India were to win the bid to host the 2036 Olympics.

"It's not all about investment. If India is to get the Olympics, then that's a pathway. The infrastructure is there, the participation numbers will be there. Where that investment goes means India can very soon close that gap in football," she added.

India hosted the AFC Women's Asian Cup in 2022, and Australia is all set to host the next edition in 2026.

Walsh, who won the 2010 edition of the tournament as a player, said she looked forward to India making a significant impact on the big stage.

"For the Women's Asian Cup that we're hosting in Australia next year, I can tell you that India is on top of my list as a priority in terms of a success factor for the tournament."

"There are 1.3 million people in Australia who identify with Indian culture. We have 850,000 tickets to sell, and I know India was influential in the 2020 Women's T20 World Cup being successful."

"Not just in terms of numbers, it's about how they engage and follow their team. The Indian women's team has every chance to go to the Women's Asian Cup and to actually do something really good," she said.

Sesa FA pip FC Goa

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MAPUSA: Two late goals enabled Sesa Football Association to edge past FC Goa in the Goa Football Association's U-19 League match played at Sirsaim ground, on Friday.

After a drab first half, both the teams came out in the second half with a positive intent. Shawn opened the scoring for FC Goa in the 72nd minute after being set up by Bryson, 1-0.

FC Goa missed a great chance to extend the lead when

Bryson failed to convert the spot kick in the 81st minute. This spurred Sesa FA on and they equalised in the 86th minute with a well-taken chance by striker Ashish. It did not take long for Sesa FA to take the lead when in the 88th minute Ashish netted his brace to secure full three points for his team.

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