

India in Group D with Myanmar, Indonesia & Turkmenistan

PTI, NEW DELHI: India was on Monday clubbed with Myanmar, Indonesia and Turkmenistan in Group D of the AFC U-20 Women's Asian Cup following the draw conducted in Kuala Lumpur.

Myanmar will host Group D of the Qualifiers between August 6 and 10 in a centralised single round-robin format.

A total of 33 teams were divided into eight groups. Group A has five teams while the rest seven have four each.

AFC U-20 WOMEN'S ASIAN CUP QUALIFIERS

The group winners and the three best runners-up, along with final round host country Thailand, will complete the

cast of 12 teams for the 12th edition of the AFC U20 Women's Asian Cup, which will take place from April 1 to 18.

The top four teams in the final tournament will qualify for the 2026 FIFA U20 Women's World Cup. The AFC U20 Women's

Asian Cup, an eight-team tournament until 2024, has been expanded to 12 teams from the 2026 edition onwards.

The seedings for the draw were based on a points system derived from the teams' final rankings across the previous three editions of the tournament. India were placed in Pot 2.

BAFF Bicholim down St Savio SC

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MAPUSA/RAIA: BAFF Bicholim were stretched into tie breaker as they defeated St. Savio Sports Club Baga by 4-3 margin to move ahead in the Peddem Bomm Cup played at Peddem grounds, here, on Monday.

St Savio Sports Club Baga playing with ten players managed to hold BAFF to a goalless draw at the end of the regulation time.

Both the teams missed numerous goal scoring opportunities where finally the winners had to be decided via tiebreaker. BAFF Bicholim emerged victorious with a score of 4-3.



The man-of-the-match was awarded to Rivo Rodrigues of CAC Cansaulim by Thomas Costa



The man-of-the-match was awarded to Samuel Miranda of Verna Cultural Sports Club

Verna CSC move ahead

Verna Cultural Sports Club, Verna, defeated St Sebastian YSC, Fatorda, 4-3 via tie-breaker to move ahead in the St Rock's inter-village football tournament played at Majorda ground, on Monday.

Edgar Noronha gave the lead to St Sebastian YSC which was later cancelled by Desmond Gama for Verna CSC. In the ensuing tie-breaker, Verna CSC proved to be the better shooters. The man-of-the-match was awarded to Samuel Miranda of Verna Cultural Sports Club.

CAC Cansaulim in quarters

CAC Cansaulim defeated Youth Club of Shiroda 3-2 to move into the quarter-finals of 1st late Antonio Colaco memorial football tournament played at Rosary Church ground, Navelim, on Sunday.

CAC Cansaulim netted three quick goals through Jesus D'Sa and Agnelo D'Souza netted a brace.

Youth Club of Shiroda netted through Monzilo Pereira and Pearson Vaz.

Cuncolim Union edge past St Anthony SC in tie-breaker

Cuncolim Union pulled

off a remarkable 6-5 victory over St Anthony SC, Assolda, to move into the next round of 26th Holy Cross Sports Clubs football tournament played Vodlemol ground, Kakoda.

Despite being just eight men, Cuncolim Union displayed extraordinary resilience and composure to clinch the win.

St Anthony SC dominated the opening half with a flurry of attacks but were unable to find the net. Against the run of play, it was Cuncolim Union who broke the deadlock in the 15th minute.

However, their lead was short-lived. In the 26th minute, St Anthony SC equalised in a brilliant one-on-one move, calmly dribbling past the defence to slot it in and make it,

1-1. The second half saw, St Anthony SC upped their attacking tempo, making several quick attempts to reclaim the lead. But the depleted Cuncolim Union side held their ground with strong defensive organisation, frustrating St Anthony SC forwards.

With no goals in the second half, the match headed into a tie-breaker. Cuncolim Union held their nerves as Viral, Daulat, Tushar, Shankar

Dunes SC, Assnora Utd march ahead

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The man-of-the-match award is presented to Sanmesh Raul of Dunes Sports Club by footballer Princeton Rebello

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CALANGUTE/RAIA: In the closely contested match, Dunes Sports Club scored a solitary goal win over Betalbatim Sports Club to march ahead in the Calangute Association Cup 2025 inter-village football tournament played at Poriat ground, Calangute, on Monday.

Sanmesh Raul made the difference scoring the lone goal in the 41st minute to seal the victory for Dunes Sports Club.

His outstanding performance on the field earned him the man-of-the-match award, which was presented by footballer Princeton Rebello.



Gaurish Bugde of Assnora United receives the man-of-the-match award from the chief guest

Earlier, Assnora United proved their point in the tie-breaker to win against Arpora Sporting after both the teams settled for a 1-1 draw at the end of regulation time.

The match kicked off with high energy from both sides. At the 18th minute, an unfortunate own goal by M A Francis of Assnora United gave Arpora Sporting an early lead.

However, Assnora United bounced back quickly, with Gaurish Bugde scoring a crucial equaliser in the 27th minute.

Despite several close chances from both teams, the game ended in a 1-1 draw at full time. The match proceeded to penalties, where Assnora United kept

their nerves and emerged victorious.

The man-of-the-match was awarded to Gaurish Bugde (Assnora United).

By halftime, Guirdolim Club were firmly in control with a 2-0 lead.

The second half saw a brief dip in tempo, but Guirdolim Club regained momentum and added a third goal in the 43rd minute, courtesy of Melwin.



The Goa State Sub-Junior Girls National Handball team which will participate in the 39th Sub-Junior Girls National Handball Championship in Karnataka, from April 30 to May 4, along with Captain Christine Ferrao, SAG Handball Coach Jane Da'Silva, Goa Handball Association Joint Secretary Wency Gonsalves Secretary Conceicao Fernandes and Manager Mariam Bi Mulla



Vasco Veterans emerged football champions in the Dubai Cup, recently. In the final, Vasco Veterans scored a hard-fought 4-3 victory via tie-breaker over Fatorda Sada Boys

Indian women's baseball team qualifies for Asian Cup

PTI, BANGKOK: The Indian women's baseball team on Monday qualified for the Asian Cup to be held this year after entering the gold medal match of the qualifying tournament here.

India beat Thailand 6:5 to finish second in Super

Round stage standings, while Indonesia took the top spot. The top two teams from the Super Round qualify for the main Asia Cup tournament. The top two teams -- Indonesia and India -- will also face in the gold medal match on Tuesday.

CSM Taleigao, A A de Moira qualify for play-off

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MAPUSA: Clube Sao Minguel de Taleigao had an easy outing as they registered a 3-0 win over A A de Moira in the Goa Football Association Division I League match played at Duler Stadium, here, on Monday.

GFA DIVISION I LEAGUE

Clube Sao Minguel de Taleigao were indeed a better side and dominated the match. After two strikes came off the horizontal bar, finally in the

45th minute, CSM Taleigao surged ahead where their striker Niyaz Tambak collecting a ball from his skipper Salu Santos chipped the ball over A A de Moira Goalkeeper Soma Korgaonkar, 1-0.

On crossing over, coach Pascoal Pereira brought striker Aditya Talwar from the bench who collecting brilliant through passes from Harshad Madkaikar beat the onrushing goalkeeper with neat placement, 3-0.

Candolim SC having defeated Santa Cruz Club of Cavellissim saw both teams qualify for play-off.

Samairah, Abdus are squash champs

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PANJIM: Samairah Raj Bhandare and Abdus Samad Shah emerged champions in the women and men categories at the Goa Closed Squash Championship 2025 held at the SAG Squash Courts, Chicalim, recently.

The championship saw

spirited participation and impressive performances across all age groups, further highlighting the growing popularity of squash in Goa.

Samairah emerged victorious showcasing exceptional skill and determination, while Abdus claimed the top honours after a series of highly competitive matches.

TODAY'S SPORTS

Goa Professional League (Super League): Clube de Salgaocar vs Dempo SC, at Nagoa panchayat ground, at 4.15 pm

GFA Division I League (Group A): Youth Club of Manora vs Mandopa SC, at Navelim ground, 4.15 pm

GFA U-17 Division II League (South Zone) Group A: Salcete Football Club vs Don Bosco Oratory, Fatorda, at Don Bosco Oratory ground, Fatorda. Wilred Leisure Sports Club vs Panchwadi United Sports Club, at Curtorim ground. Kick off 4.15 pm

5th All Goa inter-school Sir Jawaharlal Da Costa football at Seraulim panchayat ground, from 9 am

Calangute Association Cup: St Sebastian SC, Mapusa, vs St Anthony's SC, Marna-Siolim, at Poriat ground, Calangute, at 4.30 pm

33rd St Rock Super Soccer: Betalbatim SC vs CAC Cansaulim, at St Rock ground, Calata-Majorda, at 4.30 pm

27th Holy Cross Sports Club football: Navelim SC vs St Anthony's SC, Assolda, at Vodlemol ground, Kakoda, at 4.30 pm

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