

Unbeaten in all the seven league matches - Snow's Football Academy emerged champions of the U-17 South Goa football tournament. In their last league match at Nagoa Panchayat ground - Snow's FA defeated United Club of Seraulim by solitary goal scored by Samuel Colaco in the 19th minute of the match

Candolim pip St Anthony's Marna in nine-goal thriller

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MAPUSA: Candolim SC registered a hard-fought 5-4 victory over St Anthony's SC Marna-Siolim in a thrilling encounter at the Calangute Panchayat Cup 2025, held in loving memory of the late Rev Fr Conceicao D'Silva and organised by St Savio Sports Club, Calangute, at Poriat ground, on Thursday.

The Marna colts led 3-2 at the break, with Saideep Pomburphekar netting a brace and Dailesh Pednekar

Roots FC rally

past Sesa FA in

IWL2 clash

MAPUSA: Roots Football

Club, Karnataka came from

behind to secure a 2-1 win

over Sesa FA in the IWL 2

encounter, played at Duler

Sesa FA took an early lead

after Roots defender brought

down Aniela Barretto inside

the penalty area. Referee

Ruba Devi awarded the spot

kick, which was confidently

converted by Pushpa Parab

In the second half, Roots

FC regrouped and equalised

in the 73rd minute when

Achon Deiio scored from

the penalty spot. Just three

minutes later, Rosy Thanga

netted what proved to be

the winner, completing a

quick turnaround and se-

curing all three points for

This marked Sesa FA's

third defeat in the ongoing

the Karnataka side.

IWL 2 campaign.

to make it 1-0.

stadium, on Thursday.

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Marcus Fernandes of Candolim receives man-of-the-match award from Francis Fernandes

adding a third. For Candolim, Marcus Fernandes opened the scoring in the 4th minute, while Royce

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RAIA: Colva Veterans edged

out Carmona Veterans 3-2

in a thrilling encounter to

book a semi-final berth in

the Benaulim Constituency

Veterans Soccer Tourna-

ment at SAG Ground, Be-

Colva found the net

through Johnson Coelho,

Jose, and Anthony Fer-

nandes, while Quintus

D'Cruz and Neil D'Cruz

RAIA: Chinchinim Vil-

lagers Union stormed

into the State final of the

U-17 girls league with a

commanding 9-0 victo-

ry over Adarsh Yuwak

Sangh at Sinquetim foot-

ball ground, Navelim, on

Chinchinim dominat-

ed proceedings from the

naulim, on Thursday.

Colva and Seraulim

Veterans in semis

Gonsalves added the sec-

ond before half-time. After the interval, Candolim rallied strongly. Ashley Fernandes equalised before Marcus Fernandes struck again and Rajat Chopdekar added another to make it 5-3 in favour of Candolim. Sadanand Dabholkar pulled one back for Marna to reduce the deficit to 5-4.

Marcus Fernandes of Candolim was adjudged manof-the-match and received the award from former GFA Vice President, Francis Fer-

pulled two back for Carmo-

In another quarter-fi-

nal clash, USC Seraulim

recorded a convincing 3-1

win over Benaulim Veter-

ans. Jess Cardozo scored a

brace and Kevin D'Souza

added a third. Luis Menino

netted the consolation goal

Jose of Colva and Jess

Cardozo of Seraulim were

named man-of-the-match

for their respective perfor-

start, taking a five-goal

lead into half-time. Aline

Peixote led the scoring

with a hat-trick, Meara

Mascarenhas contrib-

uted a brace, and there

for Benaulim.

mances.

Barreto.

Chinchinim VU storm into final

Xetrapal win MAPUSA: Hosts Xetra-

pal SC edged past Augustias SC Pomburpa, 10-9, via sudden death in a dramatic encounter of the Xetrapal Cup 2025, organised by Xetrapal SC Oxel and played at Oxel ground, on Thursday. The teams remained deadlocked at 1-1 at the end of regulation time. Pawan put Augustias SC ahead after the interval, but Kanya Govekar struck the equaliser for Xetrapal.

With the scores level, the match was decided by penalties, eventually going into sudden death. Xetrapal held their nerve to clinch a 9-8 victory.

Singuerim to enter semis

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MAPUSA: Dunes SC Mandrem secured a narrow 1-0 victory over Singuerim Sports Club to book a spot in the semi-finals of the Candolim Panchayat Cup 2025, organised by Candolim SC and played at Dr Gustavo Monteiro ground, Candolim, on

outside the box narrowquerim goalkeeper Anihalf to deny Cyprian.

However, in the 55th minute, Cyprian Rodrigues finally found the breakthrough, match-winner.

Dunes SC edge

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Thursday.

Dunes came close early when Cyprian Rodrigues saw his effort from just ly miss the target in the third minute. The Sinket Naik made two successive saves later in the

Cuncolim Union in semi-finals

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RAIA: Cuncolim Union scraped past hosts Santa Cruz Club of Cavelossim with a 5-4 victory in a tie-breaker to seal their place in the semi-finals of the Cavelossim Villagers UK Cup 2025, played at the Fr Druston and Wellington ground, Cavelossim, on Thursday.

a below-par Despite performance. Cuncolim managed to overcome the hosts after both teams failed to score in regulation time. The match saw both sides adopt a short-passing game, but their inability to deliver accurate passes to the wings meant defenders found it easy to dispossess



Club of Cavelossim receives man-of-the-match award from Jitendra Chodnekar

forwards.

Dylon Fernandes of Santa Cruz

Cuncolim's Vinod Velip had a powerful volley sail over the crossbar, while Cavelossim's best opportunity fell to Raiu Cardozo. who failed to nod in a cross from Aslwil Afonso. Another close call came when Edwill Afonso received a through ball from Minglen Costa but was denied by the onrush-

ing Cuncolim keeper, who forced a corner. In the ensuing tie-break-

er, Cuncolim converted through Joyston Fernandes, Mathew Fernandes, Wilson Fernandes, Vireny Velip, and Anesh. For Cavelossim, Maven Gracias, Kayne Cardozo, Aswil Afonso, and Dalzan Passanha scored, but Edwil

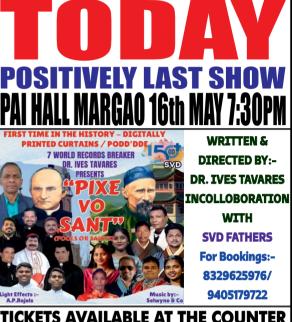
Afonso's crucial spot-kick

keeper, sealing their place in the semi-final

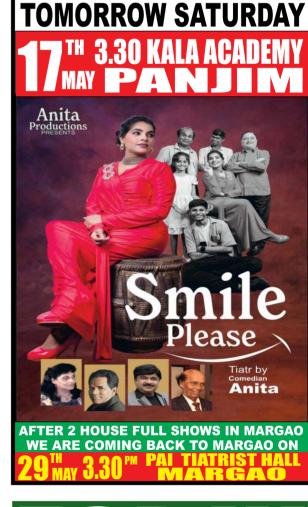
Cuncolim Union will now face Parish Youth Nuvem in the first semi-final on May 19.

Dylon Fernandes of Santa Cruz Club of Cavelossim was awarded the man-of-the-match by the club's treasurer, Jitendra Chodnekar.





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Mandopa SC edge Arlem in shootout



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RAIA: Mandopa Sports Club got the better of Arlem Youth Association 6-4 via the tie-breaker to enter the quarter-finals of the 1st Inacio Colaco Memorial Football Tournament, organised by Mandopa Sports Club and played at Rosary Church ground, Navelim, on Thursday.

tion time. For Mandopa SC, Venito scored in the 10th minute and Ronaldo added a second in the 48th. Arlem responded through Velito in the 16th minute and Leran in the 23rd. With no further goals, the match was decided on

The teams were locked

at 2-2 at the end of regula-

penalties, where Mandopa SC proved to be the better shooters and sealed their place in the last eight. Joyson of Mandopa

Sports Club was named man-of-the-match and received the award from former international footballer Anthony Pereira.



were further goals from latching Neha Verlecar, Acira Fernandes, Keren D'Souza, onto a cross from Anand and substitute Morenza Gad to slot home the

TODAY'S SPORTS

Thursday.

1st late Antonio Colaco memorial inter-village football tournament 2025: Sporting Club Davorlim vs Margao Sports Club, at Rosary Church ground, Navelim, at 4.30 pm 3rd Benaulim constituency veterans football tour-

nament: Varca Veterans vs Orlim Veterans, at 4.30 pm and Benaulim Veterans (blue) vs Cavelossim Veterans, 5.30 pm. Both matches at SAG ground, Benaulim Cavelossim Villagers UK Cup: United Club of Seraulim

vs Navelim Sporting, at Fr Druston and Wellington ground, Cavelossim, at 4.30 pm Late Cipriano Silva memorial under floodlight foot-

ball: Santa Cruz Club Cavelossim vs Goa Velha SC, at Ambelim ground, at 7.30 pm Candolim Panchayat Cup (2nd quarterfinal): Bidesh

X1 Assnora vs St Augustus Sporting Club pomburpa, at Dr Gustavo Monteiro ground, at 4.30 pm

Calangute Panchavat Cup: St Sebastian Sports Club vs St Savio Sports Club, at Poriat ground, at 4.30 pm **Xetrapal Cup:** Assonora Utd vs Nerul Sports Club, at Oxel

5th all-Goa 8-a-side football tournament: At Layamati ground, Davorlim, at 4.30 pm

Calangute Assn seal final berth

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RAIA: Calangute Association defeated Nerul Sports Club 1-0 to book their place in the final of the Nerul Cup 2025, organised by Nerul Sports Club and played at their home ground, on Thurs-Both teams displayed

aggressive intent in the first half, though Calangute missed several scoring opportunities. Calangute's goalkeeper was called into action to deny Chaitan Dablokar of Nerul with a fine save from a header.

The deadlock was broken in the second half when Sainath Kalungtakar found the back of the net for Calangute. Despite late pressure from the hosts, including a dangerous free-kick from Prajot brilliantly Shirodkar saved by the Calangute custodian, the visitors held on.

Cydon D'Souza of Calangute Association was named man-of-the-match.

ground, at 4.30 pm

AFP, MADRID: Real Madrid snatched a last-gasp 2-1 win over Real Mallorca on Wednesday in La Liga to delay Barcelona's title celebrations.

Real delay Barca celebrations with

win over Mallorca

Los Blancos cut the gap on the Catalan giants to four points ahead of Barcelona's visit to neighbours Espanyol on Thursday, where they can wrap up the title with a victory.

Trailing for much of the game after Martin Valjent's 11th-minute opener, two second-half goals for Madrid ensured their arch-rivals did not claim their 28th La Liga title just yet.

Madrid needed to win to deny Barca and Kylian Mbappe's equaliser and Jacobo Ramon's 95th-minute strike allowed them to do just that.

Bologna end 51-year wait for glory with Italian Cup triumph **AP. ROME**: Bologna ended a disappointments,"

51-year wait for a major trophy when it beat AC Milan 1-0 to win the Italian Cup. Dan Ndoye returned from

injury to score the only goal and help Bologna to its first Italian Cup since 1974. The club, which is owned by Canadian Joey Saputo, has only won two second-division titles in between.

It was also coach Vincenzo Italiano's first win in a final, having lost back-to-back Europa Conference League title matches while in charge of Fiorentina and finishing runner-up in the 2023 Italian Cup.

"They were three heftv

told broadcaster Mediaset. "I didn't think I could immediately come back and get my own back. But we succeeded and I'm happy.

"I add an important trophy to my mantlepiece and I truly dedicate it to the guys, who were extraordinary.

Italiano had been flung in the air by his players in celebration immediately after the final whistle. Many of them were in tears of joy, much like some of the thousands of Bologna fans in the stands.

And the 47-year-old coach was eager to get back to the festivities.

