

The latest News and Updates from Forca Goa Foundation



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PLAYERS OF THE MONTH

Year End Exams

March means the end of the year School Exams for all our students. As such we try and wrap up a majority of our major events before the exams kick off the second week of March.

This year that meant wrapping up all three of our Boys- Junior Gaur's Leagues. It also meant celebrating Women's Day with a few girl only festivals.

While we will continue to train our kids throughout the summer holidays we know that some of the students we work with will take vacations to visit family and friends. This time of year marks the end of school calendar and the beginning of our impact assessments and development strategy for the next year.

This was the first full year the Forca Goa Foundation handled all of the grassroots initiatives for their sister organisation FC Goa, and while we are incredibly proud of what we were able to accomplish thus far, this is only the beginning.

Junior Guars League Results

The finals of the league were held on the 3rd of March at the Nagoa Panchayat Grounds in Verna.

Each team showed great skill, passion and displayed the qualities of true sportsmanship.

Sharada Mandir School won the U12 Girls League.

Green Meadows School won the U8 Boys League.

Marina High School were the champions of U10 Boys League.

Mount Mary School, Chinchinim won the U12 Boys League.



Junior Gaurs League Highlights

Number of Schools that Participated in Girls League: 19

Number of Schools that Participated in Boys League: 64

Number of Boys Participants: 2709

Number of Girls Participants: 228

Number of Games Played: 710

Women's Day Festivals

March 8th every year marks International Women's Day.

This year the Forca Goa Foundation commemorated the day by hosting three girls only festivals in collaboration with the AFC.

Each festival had close to hundred girl participants. The festivals were set up as a 5v5 tournament and the parents and teachers were incredibly happy to see the girls take part. We decided to keep the theme going and host girl only festivals for the rest of the month to help encourage more girls to join the game.



#Football4All

The Forca Goa Foundation under its #Football4All campaign promotes and encourages girls to play the beautiful game of football. Right from having games with mixed(boys & girls) teams, to having girls take over the 'ball boy' role at one of our ISL home games. The foundation is here to break gender stereotypes and hopefully co-create an inclusive society that has equal opportunities for men and women.

Whilst we see there has been significant progress in women's participation in sports, we understand that there is a lot more left to be done. Women in sports have yet to receive the same backing as men.



Youth Council - Creates a Safe Space

After our last World Cafe at Chowgule College in the end of January we spoke to the members of the Youth Council to see which of their earlier ideas they wanted to take forward.

The students decided they wanted to create a Safe Space on campus for people to be able to come together and talk about topics that mattered to them. The college administration agreed to give the students a space and the core leaders from the Youth Council decide to hold a circle every Monday so students could come together and discuss issues they cared about. The Youth Council continued to hold circle for their fellow students until their exams began in the beginning of April.



Next year the students hope to create another space to have safe conversations around political issues across the country.