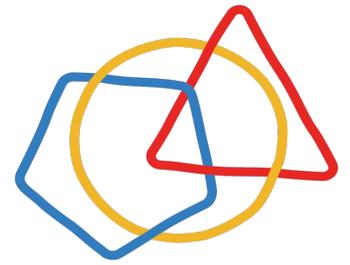
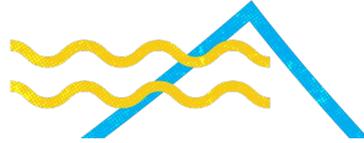


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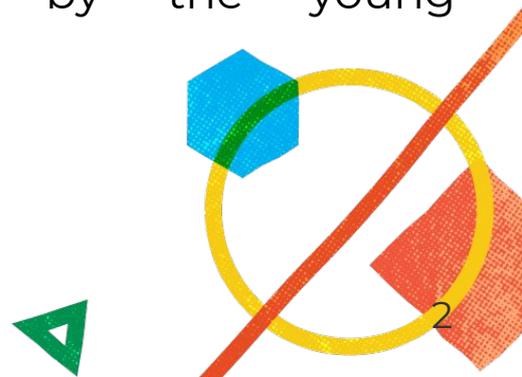
# Launch of Little Gaur's League



Forca Goa Foundation launched the Little Gaur's League on Saturday, 24th November at Kings School Ground, Margao. The league was officially kicked off by Goan football legend Brahmanand Sankhwalkar in the presence of chief guest Melwin Pereira, Chairman of Kings School and Derrick Pereira, Technical Director, FC Goa. The opening day saw over hundred fans turn up to support the little stars on the field. The league is conducted in an open format wherein any individual, club, school or community can come in and register to participate in the league

This first of its kind initiative saw a great response with nine teams participating in the Under 10 category and six teams participating in the Under 8 category.

The league kicked off with Kings School taking on Childcare in the U10 category, followed by Kings School vs YFA in the U8 category. The matches were played at a high tempo with lots of enthusiasm and skill displayed by the young players.



# Wrapping up the Women's League



The FC Goa's women's team have made us proud with a second-place finish in their very first season in the GFA Vedanta Women's League. Coached by Sugitesh Mandrekar, the Gaur's finished only a point behind eventual winners, Panjim Footballers.

The girls finished the season with 24 points from their 12 games thanks to 7 wins and 3 draws. The Gaur's pumped in 15 goals with Velanie Fernandes and Alisha Tavares top-scoring for the side with 4 goals each.

With a determination to give women's football a real boost in the region as well as in India, the Gaur's this year put in a blueprint to build the team from the bottom up.

The side put together by FC Goa was one of the youngest sides in the league with the Gaur's looking to create an identity of their own.

The only ISL side to have a women's team, FC Goa's successful season was built on the back of their watertight defence. A stout backline meant that the Gaur's conceded the least number of goals amongst all the teams, helping their keeper, Josline D'Souza pick up the golden glove for the highest number of clean sheets in the competition.

# Coach Education - Good Luck Rupesh & Clinton



At the Forca Goa Foundation, coach education is a priority. We try and give our coaches all the support required in order to get their licenses. Currently Coach Rupesh and Coach Clinton are in the process of getting their licenses. Coach Rupesh is in the process of doing his B license training. The B license coach exam is an intense mix of theoretical and practical knowledge of the game. He has been spending time observing and being a part of trainings with our academy coaches and youth teams. The FC Goa youth teams currently trains at Nagoa Panchayat Ground.



Coach Clinton on the other hand is very interested in teaching and playing futsal. **Futsal** is a variant of football played on a hard court, smaller than a football pitch, and mainly indoors. It can be considered a version of five-a-side football. He has completed his futsal license course and now teaches children at the Chowgule Sports Centre. We wish them both well as they endeavor to learn and grow in the sport.

# Fair trade visits our centres, the first team



The ethos of Forca Goa Foundation is sustainability and empowerment and we were always looking for like-minded organisations that we can partner with and support. In May this year, we came across IndPro, the first organisation that produced Fairtrade footballs in India, and we took the opportunity to start the conversation about sourcing Fairtrade footballs for our Foundation.

Once the sourcing was done and 1110 Fairtrade footballs reached Goa from Jalandhar we wanted to take the awareness of Fairtrade to our community. We worked with Fairtrade India to organise workshops for our coaches and for the children of the foundation. Devika from fairtrade also spent time in Goa this November to capture some footage from our centres to spread the good message.

# Two Special Community Festivals

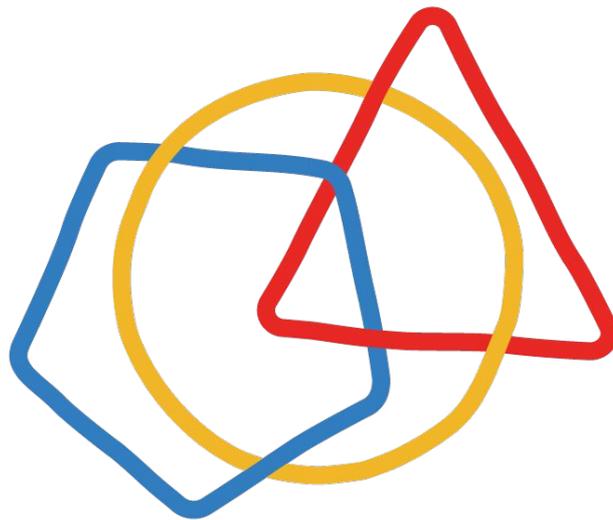


The Forca Goa football festivals are professionally organised pop-up style football event . They are open to girls and boys from the ages of 6-14 and are conducted in 4 v 4 and 5 v 5 tournament format. We aim to take our festivals to places and communities that don't usually have access to this game. This month we had two specials. The first was with the children from Camrabhat. This area has children filled with talent and passion, but they do not have access to professional football training and competition.

The other festival was for the slum children at Kiran Niketan primary school at Zuarinagar. The Principal, staff and children were very happy with t the event and were extremely grateful.

We engaged with over 45 children from ages 8 to 15 through these festivals.

Besides the short tournaments we also had fun educational games.



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