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FOUNDER MESSAGE

Dear Supporters,

I hope this message finds you in good health and high spirits. I am immensely grateful for the unwavering support that you have extended to Victory Sports Foundation over the years. At Victory Sports Foundation, our mission has always been clear: to make sports a daily activity for children, regardless of their background or circumstances.

One of the core beliefs that drive our work is the understanding that sports can be a powerful tool to uplift those who face challenging circumstances. Through sports, we aim to empower these children, offering them opportunities to break free from the shackles of their existing difficulties and reach for the stars. Every day, we witness stories of triumph and transformation, reminding us of the incredible potential within each child.

In this newsletter, we aim to provide you with a glimpse of all that has happened at Victory Sports Foundation in the past six months. From heartwarming success stories to exciting new initiatives, we want you to share in our journey and celebrate our collective achievements.

As we move forward, we are filled with renewed determination to make an even greater impact in the lives of the children we serve. Your continued support is the driving force behind our vision, and we invite you to join us in our mission to create a brighter future for every child through the power of sports.

With heartfelt gratitude,

Mr. Thanigaivelan

Founder, Victory Sports Foundation



**“Every Child
Deserves to Play”**

OUR HISTORY

We take pride in the path we've travelled since our inception in 2004. Our journey has been marked by immense satisfaction as we witnessed our students evolve into confident and dedicated athletes. Beyond just excelling in sports, we have placed a significant emphasis on programs that nurture their moral and social consciousness, striving to mould them into exemplary individuals and responsible citizens. Like any journey, ours has been riddled with challenges, but it has always been accompanied by a glimmer of optimism. We hold hope not only for the future of sports in India but also for the underprivileged and, most importantly, for our beloved students. Here's a concise overview of our journey to date:



OUR INITIATIVES

Sports for All

The "Sports for All" initiative is a comprehensive program designed to ensure that all children, irrespective of their economic background, have access to sports opportunities. It encompasses coaching, training, provision of sports equipment, nutritional support, inclusivity, community engagement, talent identification, scholarships, and education alongside sports.

Opportunity for All

"Opportunity for All" offers sports students the chance to compete in competitive tournaments, access matches, and facilitates learning and gameplay improvement. This initiative aims to create inclusive opportunities for aspiring athletes, allowing them to gain valuable experience, enhance their skills, and develop their abilities through active participation in sports competitions and events.



Sports for Women

The "Sports for Women" initiative is dedicated to promoting and enhancing women's participation in sports while emphasizing their visibility. This program seeks to empower women by creating opportunities for them to engage in sports, thus breaking down traditional gender barriers.

Space for Sports

SPACE FOR SPORTS initiative is a dedicated effort to enhance sporting facilities. Through this project, we aim to create new sports spaces, develop existing facilities, and ensure proper repair and maintenance of the infrastructure. The initiative is driven by the belief that well-maintained sports facilities are essential for nurturing talent, promoting physical fitness, and fostering a sense of community among athletes.



A Look Back AT OUR LAST Six MONTHs

Sports for All

• Sports Selection Trials at Government Madarsa School

On June 10th, 2023, we at VSF successfully conducted the 3rd consecutive year of sports selection trials at Govt Madarsa School. The event witnessed an impressive turnout, with over 130 enthusiastic students participating in the selection trials. As a remarkable outcome of these trials, the school experienced a significant surge in admissions. It is worth noting that the majority of the students who joined the school hail from rural districts, including but not limited to Ranipet, Kalakruchi, Sivagangai, Tiruvallur, Kanchipuram, and Vellore.



• Sports Kit Distribution at Govt Madrasa School

On August 29th, 2023, from 5:00 PM to 6:30 PM, an event was held at the Satyananda Yoga Centre for the distribution of sports kits at the Government Madrasa School. The event aimed to provide sports kits for the upcoming School Zonal Match.

The occasion was graced by the presence of esteemed guests, including Mr. Jeyagopal, the Founder of Satyananda Yoga Centre, Mr. Shiva Kumar from the Madras High Court, and a representative from the Ice House who serves as a Crime Inspector. A total of 40 sports kits were distributed during the event. These kits, valued at Rs. 600 each, comprised jerseys, shorts, sleeves, and stockings. The selection of deserving students to receive these kits was based on their regular attendance and attendance percentage, which ranged from 53% to 100%.



Success Story

In an impressive feat, Leo Samson, a committed student enrolled at Victory Sports Foundation (VSF), has reached a significant milestone by securing a coveted spot in the SGFI Selection, an event organized by the School Education Department. Leo's journey to this remarkable achievement serves as a truly inspirational story. Over the past two years, he has demonstrated unwavering dedication by diligently balancing his academic pursuits at Madrasa School with his relentless efforts to refine his sporting skills at VSF. This dedication has borne fruit, as Leo has now earned the prestigious position of striker in the Under 19 Category. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Leo Samson for this outstanding accomplishment and eagerly anticipate witnessing his continued success in both his educational and athletic pursuits. Kudos to him!

Leo Samson's journey is a testament to the power of determination and perseverance. His ability to excel academically while simultaneously honing his skills in sports at VSF is a source of inspiration for aspiring individuals. We celebrate his achievement and eagerly await the next chapters in his educational and athletic journey, confident that he is poised for even greater success.



Camp

• Basketball Summer Camp

"The second edition of the Basketball summer training camp was held at Yelagiri Government School, Yelagiri Hills, from April 28th to May 27th. The camp focused on high-altitude sports training to help athletes adapt to low-oxygen environments. Dr. Sathiyaseelan and Mr. Prabhakaran led the camp, with 38 students participating, including 22 boys and 16 girls. Accommodation, nutritious meals, and refreshments were provided to all attendees.

The camp aimed to improve game skills while creating a fun environment for the students, resulting in enhanced fitness levels and increased confidence. Participants received sports kits, and on the final day, Mr. Srinivasan and Mr. Ramasamy, chief guests, motivated the students. Soliton Technology, supported by Mr. Vikram Arjun, sponsored the camp for the second consecutive year." but not limited to Ranipet, Kalakruchi, Sivagangai, Tiruvallur, Kanchipuram, and Vellore.



• Model School Summer Camp

On May 1st, 2023, Victory Sports Foundation (VSF) organized an extensive month-long summer camp at the Model School hub, conveniently situated near the iconic Gandhi statue along the coastal area. This camp witnessed an enthusiastic participation of more than 35 students, providing them with a unique opportunity to engage in comprehensive football training while benefiting from the scenic coastal surroundings that added to the inspiring atmosphere.



• Handball Summer Camp

The Annual Hand Ball Summer Camp was conducted at Govt Hr Sec School in Tiruvarur on 5th May, 2023. This was the first time we extended support to the handball game, demonstrating our commitment to promoting sports of all kinds. We supplied 30 sets of sports jerseys and shorts, along with 20 handballs and related accessories.



• Basket Ball Camp at Hindu School

In May 2023, Hindu Hr. Secondary School, an institution with a rich cultural heritage and notable alumni such as Mr. R. Venkatraman and Mr. Kamal Hasan, revived its sporting legacy by collaborating with Victory Sports Foundation, Kaleesuware Foundation, and other key members. The initiative involved refurbishing the basketball court to its former glory, rekindling a sport that had thrived at the school until 2001. On May 1st, a summer training camp commenced, attended by 38 out of 43 enthusiastic students, nourished with nutritious meals throughout the 20-day program. The camp's concluded by marking the distribution of jerseys, shorts, and sports kits to all participants, acknowledging the collaborative efforts of the school authorities, alumni association, and Kaleesuware Foundation. Special gratitude was extended to key figures, including Mr. Ram Manoj, Mr. Ramachandra, Mr. Murugan, Mr. Gopi Anand, Mr. Prabhakar, and Mr. Shivakumar, for their instrumental roles in making the camp a success and reigniting the school's sporting spirit.



• Beyond Sports Academy Camp

A successful 8-day football residential camp was organized in Yelagiri Hills from May 20th to May 28th by the Beyond Sports Academy, with the support of Cheyyar SEZ Developers. Attended by 28 students from the academy and the Yelagiri Government School Football Team, the camp not only focused on improving participants' football skills but also on instilling values of discipline and independence. The students, primarily from rural backgrounds, received jerseys, sports kits, and certificates, and the camp's success was celebrated with the presence of chief guests Mr. Srinivasan and Mr. Ramasamy. It marked a significant learning experience, fostering skill development and a positive attitude among the participants.



Tournament

• AFC Grassroot Football Tournament

We organized the inaugural AFC Grassroots Day, a significant event, at Pitch N Play on 15th May. This event featured Under-10 and Under-13 league matches, showcasing the participation of three teams in the Under-10 category and four teams in the Under-13 category.

This event holds great importance throughout Asia, especially for nurturing grassroots talent. It was an honor to have Mr. Kathir Murugan, the Division Councillor of 170, and Mr. Hariprasad, the Convenor of CFA, in attendance and award prizes to the victors and the runners-up.





• Yelagiri Hills Trophy

"The 1st Yelagiri Hills Trophy, organized by Victory Sports Foundation and Govt. Hr. Sec. School in Athanvoor, took place on July 8th and 9th, 2023, at the Govt. Hr. Sec. School in Athanvoor. The football tournament featured a 5-a-side league cum knockout format for the Under-17 category, with a total of 10 teams participating, divided into two pools: Pool A and Pool B. Each team played four matches in the league stage.

In Pool A, the teams included GHSS Madrasa, Sethu Baskara, Play Bro Academy, JFC Academy, and New Star. Meanwhile, Pool B consisted of Beyond Sports Academy, GHSS Kabilar, GHSS Athanvoor - Yelagiri, MAFC, and PK Sports. The league matches saw some intense competition, with standout performances and close encounters. In the semifinals, New Star faced Beyond, and MAFC took on Madrasa.

The winners were GHSS Madrasa, who received a cash prize of 8,000 INR. New Star finished as the runner-up and received 5,000 INR. The third position was claimed by MAFC, earning a cash prize of 3,000 INR, and the fourth place went to Beyond Sports Academy. The tournament showcased the talent and competitive spirit of young athletes in the Under-17 category, making it a successful sporting event."

• Third Youth Soccer Development League

The 3rd Youth Soccer Development League took place on July 29th and August 5th, 2023, at the Government Madrasa I Azam Higher Secondary School. The tournament featured an exciting 9-a-side league cum knockout format, showcasing the talents of Under-19 soccer players. A total of 8 teams participated in the event, divided into two pools: Pool A and Pool B. Each team had the opportunity to play 3 matches during the league stage.

In Pool A, the competing teams included APJ FC, Grace FC, Government Madrasa A Team, and We R the Next FA. In Pool B, the teams consisted of FC Marina, Government Madrasa B Team, FIFA, and HUC. Ultimately, FIFA emerged as the winners of the tournament, with APJ FC securing the runner-up position. The competition was marked by an impressive total of 42 goals scored throughout its duration.

The valedictory function of the tournament was graced by notable figures in the soccer community. Suresh, representing the All-India Football Federation (AIFF) as a referee, added prestige to the event. Additionally, Mr. V.M.P. Hari Prasad, serving as the Convenor of the Adhoc Committee of the Chennai Football Association, lent his support and expertise to the successful conclusion of the 3rd Youth Soccer Development League



Step Tournaments 7th -12th

In a series of sports tournaments, we hosted the 7th Step Tournament, hosted at Chaos Entertainment on July 15th, 2023, showcased Under-10 and Under-13 categories, with K7 FC winning the Under-13 category and FC Marina as runners-up. In the Under-10 category, FC Marina emerged as champions, and K7 FC secured the runner-up position, featuring a total of 56 participants. Mr. Sidharath, an Advocate from Chennai High Court, was the Chief Guest. The 8th Step Tournament on July 16th, a basketball event at The Hindu Hr Sec School in Chennai, witnessed Santhome as winners and Wesley as runners-up among 4 teams with a 60-member audience. The 10th Step Tournament on August 6th, at the same venue, with Mr. Selva Bharathi as Chief Guest, saw PAK Palanisamy winning and Don Bosco Peravalur as runners-up, featuring 60 participants and 4 teams. The 11th Step Tournament, held from August 20th to 23rd, drew 120 participants across Under-14 and Under-17 categories with Don Bosco Peravullur winning in the Under-14 category and Savitri Ammal Orientation as runners-up. The 12th Step Tournament, occurring on August 27th, 2023, at The Hindu Hr Sec School, Chennai, featured six teams with 90 participants, and Savitri Ammal Orientation secured the championship while St. Bedes Academy became the runners-up.



PEDAS Tournament

On August 24th, 2023, the tournament was held at MCC College, where our team secured the 3rd position. A total of 21 teams participated in this competition, and they were divided into two pools: Pool A, consisting of 10 teams, and Pool B, comprising 11 teams. Our team was part of Pool A.

In the preliminary matches, the results were as follows:

- Government Madrasa played against Zion, Madambakkam, and won with a score of 4-0.
- Government Madrasa competed against Mahatma Gandhi School and secured a victory with a score of 2-0.
- Government Madrasa faced Wesley and the match ended in a 1-1 draw, but we unfortunately lost in the penalty shootout (5-6).
- In the 3rd and 4th position match, Government Madrasa played against Maharishi, Chelagelpet, and emerged victorious with a score of 2-0.



Zonal

Participation in Zonal Event hosted by the School Education Department

On August 22th, 2023, the School Education Department conducted a Zonal event at Cheyyar Boys School. Our teams participated in three different age categories, and remarkably, emerged as winners in all three.

In the Under-19 division, where only two teams were in competition, we achieved a commanding 4-0 triumph over Indo American. Moving on to the Under-17 category, once again featuring just two participating teams, our squad faced off against RCM School and emerged victorious with a 2-0 scoreline. In the Under-14 division, featuring a total of four competing teams, our team advanced to the finals after defeating RCM School 2-0 in the semifinals. In the championship match, they engaged in an exhilarating contest against Housing Board, ultimately clinching victory with an exciting score of 4-3.

The outstanding performances of all three teams have earned them a spot in the District level competition, which is a significant achievement. Congratulations to the teams for their remarkable success at the Zonal even



Yelagiri football zonals

On August 25, 2023, a football zonals match organized by the School Education Department in Jolarpettai at the Govt. Model Hr. Sec. School, Jolarpettai. The participating schools from GHSS Athanavoor - Yelagiri Hills showcased their prowess in both Under-14 and Under-17 categories for boys and girls. In the Boys' Under-17 category, GHSS Athanavoor secured victories against Don Bosco Jolarpet and Don Bosco Thirupathur, while in the Under-14 category, they won against PMSS South Jolarpet. The girls from GHSS Athanavoor excelled in the Under-17 category, defeating Govt. Hr. Sec. School Ponneri and St. Joseph. In the Under-14 category, they emerged victorious against St. Joseph and Govt. Girls School Jolarpettai. The Under-17 girls' team is set to progress to the district level, showcasing their exceptional sportsmanship and skill.



• Madras Football zonals

For the second consecutive time, the under-19 football team from Govt. Madrasa Hr. Sec. School clinched victory at the Chennai - Nungambakkam Zonal tournament and secured a spot in the inter-zonal competition.



SUCCESS STORY

"Triumph on the Field: Three VSF Athletes Shine in SGFI Selection"

Three remarkable success stories emerged from the Tiruvannamalai stadium on August 2nd, 2023, thanks to the CSD's initiative. School Education Department's selection event witnessed an arduous selection process, ultimately leading to the selection of three outstanding young athletes supported by Beyond Sports Academy and trained VSF (Victory Sports Foundation) to represent their respective age categories.

In the Under-19 category, Madhesh and Prasad stood tall, with an impressive track record of participation since 2018, amassing an impressive 5 years of experience each. Their dedication and unwavering commitment to the sport paid off as they secured their well-deserved spots.

Meanwhile, in the Under-17 category, Harish's success story unfolded. He embarked on his sporting journey in 2021 and, in just 2 short years, demonstrated exceptional talent and dedication, earning his rightful place among the selected athletes.

These three young students have truly exemplified the power of perseverance and talent. Their selection is a testament to their relentless hard work and unwavering commitment to their chosen sport. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Madhesh, Prasad, and Harish for achieving this remarkable success.





EVENTS

• International Boxing Day

On August 27th, 2023, the International Boxing Day event was held at the Museum Cafe, organized by the Victory Sports Foundation and Disha Sports Academy, commemorating the significance of this day linked to the inaugural IBA World Championships in Havana, Cuba, in 1974. The event celebrated senior boxing players, officials, coaches, and students, honoring veteran players and referees with shawls and mementos. Notably, two international male referees, one state male referee, and three female referees were recognized. Additionally, five coaches and seven deserving students were acknowledged. The event concluded with valuable suggestions from coaches and officials for the advancement of boxing, followed by the distribution of IT-related rewards to the participants.

• International Yoga Day

"We celebrated International Yoga Day at the beautiful Marina Beach, in collaboration with Arogyabharathi on 21st June, 2023. The event was a memorable occasion that brought together fitness enthusiasts, yoga practitioners, and students from various backgrounds. The session was led by the renowned yoga instructor, Mr. Yoga Kumar. The event showcased a spirit of unity and wellness, with participants coming together to embrace the practice of yoga. Marina Beach, with its serene backdrop of the ocean, provided the perfect setting for this celebration of physical and mental well-being. It was a great opportunity for these young individuals to experience the benefits of yoga, which can enhance flexibility, strength, and mental clarity.

Mr. Yoga Kumar, with his expertise in yoga, led an engaging and enlightening session. Participants learned various yoga asanas (postures) and breathing techniques that can contribute to improved physical and mental health. The session aimed to emphasize the importance of yoga in maintaining a balanced and healthy lifestyle.

The celebration served as a wonderful platform for promoting yoga as a means of achieving physical fitness, mental peace, and overall well-being. The active participation of Model School and boxing students added a youthful and energetic vibe to the event, underscoring the importance of holistic health in sports and education."



Sports 4 Women

• Yelagiri Basketball Zonal

On August 22nd, 2023, School Education Department conducted a girls' basketball tournament at Don Bosco HR Sec School in Jolarpettai, featuring two different age groups: Girls Under-14 and Girls Under-17.

In the Girls Under-14 category, GHSS Athanavoor played against Charles and emerged victorious with a final score of 16-4. In the Girls Under-17 category, GHSS Athanavoor again faced off against Charles and secured another win with a final score of 18-6.

GHSS Athanavoor's exceptional performance in the tournament resulted in victories in both age categories. This event served as a district-level competition, highlighting the talent and skill of these young basketball players.



Space for Sports

Revitalizing Infrastructure and Fostering Sports at Hindu Higher Secondary School

March 30th, 2023, marked a significant milestone in the history of Hindu Higher Secondary School as we celebrated the culmination of a long endeavour to upgrade their basketball court. This transformative project was made possible through the generous support of the Kaleesuware Foundation, in line with our commitment to promoting sports and physical activity in schools.

The revitalization of the school's basketball ground not only breathed new life into the school but also paved the way for an exciting summer camp. Over the course of a month, more than 45 enthusiastic children participated in this camp, eager to explore the world of sports and wellness.

The impact of this initiative on the school's children cannot be overstated. It brought a renewed sense of vitality and energy to the campus, inspiring students to pursue physical fitness and healthy competition. This transformation has made the school a hub of sports and extracurricular activities, fostering a spirit of teamwork and discipline among the students.

Today, we are proud to announce that more than 50 children engage in regular coaching sessions at the newly refurbished basketball ground. This is a testament to the enduring success of our space for sports initiative and the positive change it has brought to the lives of our students.



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