



In celebration of the Asian Football week the Fairyland Unified 5- a- side football demo match will be conducted at the Fairyland High School Batim, P.O. Goa- Velha 403108 in collaboration with SO Bharat-Goa. The event will be held from 10Am – 12 Noon witnessing participation of 20 Athletes and 20 Unified Partners on 27 July 2019. The program will cover training the Athletes & partners in skills, team coordination and later on - competitions. Mr Brian Pegado, Chairman, Fairyland School will preside over the event as Chief Guest

The Fairyland High School is an Inclusive school that has been associated with SO Bharat Goa for approx. 10 years. Many Athletes and Coaches from the school have represented SO Bharat at the World Games.

About the Asian Football Week 2019

Asian Football Week 2019 is an initiative organised by Special Olympics Asia Pacific in partnership with the Asian Football Confederation (AFC), celebrating the unifying power of football to promote social inclusion for people with intellectual disabilities. Held from 20 to 27 July 2019, at least 15 countries across Asia will deliver football events within their local communities, creating opportunities for people with intellectual disabilities (ID) to take part in sport and encouraging deeper understanding among people with and without ID through football. Working closely with the AFC and its Member Affiliates also opens doors to new partnerships to support long-term football programming.

19 States of India are participating in the Asian Football Week 2019 . The activities revolving around football will cut across skill training, unified and traditional competitions inviting football clubs , local authorities, media etc to witness the event. Injecting a strong football environment, this is seen as an opportunity to collaborate and strengthen partnerships to accentuate and expand the message of Inclusion through football.

About SO Bharat

Special Olympics Bharat is a National Sports Federation accredited by Special Olympics Inc. to conduct sports and development programs all over India. Special Olympics Bharat is registered with the Indian Trusts Act 1882 and is recognized by the Government of India as a National Sports Federation 2006 for the development of Sports for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities. It has been designated as the Nodal Agency in 2010 by the Indian Government for conduct of sports for all disabilities on account of its national presence, outreach and experience. We currently work with over 1.4 million people across all of the States and Union Territories of India.

Special Olympics is a global inclusion movement using sport, health, education and leadership programs every day around the world to end discrimination against and empower people with intellectual disabilities. Founded in 1968, the Special Olympics movement has grown to more than 6 million athletes and Unified Sports partners in more than 190 countries across seven regions