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A Champion is someone who gets up, even when he can't

I express my sincere interest and enthusiasm for the upcoming 61st All India Principal Harbhajan Singh Football Tournament. As a passionate supporter of sports and an advocate for community engagement, I am thrilled to invite you on this prestigious event. Football tournaments play a pivotal role in fostering a sense of unity and sportsmanship among participants, providing a platform for talented athletes to showcase their skills on a national stage. The Principal Harbhajan Singh Football Tournament has undoubtedly become a hallmark in the world of Indian football, contributing significantly to the development and promotion of the sport. I extend my deepest gratitude to each and every one of you for your invaluable contributions to the resounding success of the 61st All India Principal Harbhajan Singh Football Tournament. Your strong support, enthusiasm, and sponsorship have played a vital role in promoting and organizing this prestigious event, making it a memorable and successful endeavour. Your love for football is the heartbeat of the beautiful game, and we are truly grateful for your resolute support.

I extend my deep appreciation to NRIs and all our Sponsors for the generous support and commitment which have been instrumental in the successful organization and promotion of this tournament. Your sponsorship has not only elevated the quality of the event but has also provided a platform for aspiring footballers to showcase their skills and pursue their dreams. Collectively, your contributions always made this tournament a grand success, fostering the growth of football in our community and beyond. The 61st All India Principal Harbhajan Singh Football Tournament stands as a testament to what can be achieved when a community comes together for a common love – the love for football. Once again, thank you for your invaluable support and commitment. We look forward to your continued partnership in future endeavours as we strive to make a lasting impact on the world of football.

I extend my deepest gratitude to TATA for your generous support and sponsorship. The support from organizations like TATA goes beyond financial assistance; it serves as a pillar of encouragement for our players and motivates them to strive for excellence both on and off the field. We are truly honoured to have TATA as a partner in this endeavour, and we look forward to continuing this collaboration in the future to further promote sports and nurture young talents in our society. We deeply appreciate your commitment to fostering a culture of sportsmanship and excellence.

Kulwant Singh Sangha
President
Pr. Harbhajan Singh Sporting Club, Mahilpur



Kulwant Singh Sangha, President
Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Club
S.G.G.S. Khalsa College, Mahilpur

A BRIEF INTRODUCTION

DOB : 20.02.1962

Qualification: MA

Captain of the Football team
of the GSS School, Mahilpur

Played in the Chandigarh
Football Academy for
6 years.

Member of the Chandigarh
Police Football team for
6 years.

Played in Santosh Trophy
1983 From Haryana State

Permanently settled in UK
since 1985

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Just Try If we can not do it. Wonderful if not, then fail in the most beautiful way

Message



I extend my warmest congratulations to you and the entire team on the remarkable organization of 61st All India Principal Harbhajan Singh Football Tournament. I extend my best wishes for your dedication, skill, and sportsmanship throughout the competition, reflecting the true spirit of the beautiful game. This success is a evidence to the hard work, perseverance and unity of the team. Each club member's contribution, both on and off the field, has played a crucial role in achieving this milestone. Your commitment to excellence has not only brought glory to the club but has also inspired football enthusiasts across the nation. I commend the coaching staff, support personnel and everyone associated with the Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Club for their invaluable contributions. Your collective effort has not only unveiled your deep interest on the football game but has also set a high standard for sportsmanship and professionalism.

S. Jai Krishan Singh Rouri
M.L.A. Garhshankar

Message



I would like to extend my gratitude to you and the entire Harbhajan Singh Sporting Club for your dedication to promoting sports excellence. Your commitment to organizing such events not only enhances the sporting culture but also inspires young talents to pursue their passion for football. In light of the upcoming 61st edition of the tournament, I would like to congratulate the entire team of Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Club and celebrating the spirit of competition and camaraderie it brings to the football community.

S. Shavinderjit Singh Bains
S.P. (Retd.) Punjab Poilce

Ex. Director Admin Rayat & Bahra Ropar Campus

Message

Congratulations to Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Club for organizing 61st All India Principal Harbhajan Singh Football Tournament. Your dedication to promoting sportsmanship and excellence is truly commendable. Wishing you continued success and many more years of exciting tournaments ahead. May the success of the 61st All India Principal Harbhajan Singh Football Tournament be a stepping stone towards even greater achievements for Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Club. Thank you for your outstanding contribution to the promotion of football and the cultivation of a spirit of sportsmanship.

Message



All India Principal Harbhajan Singh Football Tournament promises to be a thrilling and competitive event that will undoubtedly strengthen the bonds of friendship and sportsmanship among us. I encourage each and every one of you to participate wholeheartedly in this tournament.

Lt. Gen. Paramjit Singh Sangha
PVSM, UYSM, AVSM, SM.



Sh. Lakshami Kant Swami
Director
Sri Reality, Sec. 13 Chandigarh



S. Harjinder Singh Gill
Director
Doaba Public School



S. Gurpreet Singh Bains



S. Harjinder Singh Minhas (Rtd.)
General Manager, Punjab Roadways

Message

Your club's contribution to the promotion of football and the fostering of sportsmanship values is highly commendable. Thank you for bringing together teams from across the country and providing a platform for the talented athletes to reveal their skills. Your commitment to fostering sportsmanship, fair play and the overall growth of football in the region is truly commendable. This achievement reflects positively not only on your club but also on the entire community of football enthusiasts who get benefit from such well-organized events. May this success serve as a stepping stone for more remarkable accomplishments in the future. Once again, congratulations, we look forward to the continued success of your club in organizing such impactful sporting events.



S. Gulzar Sandhu

Ex. Student SGGS Khalsa College, Mahilpur

Sahit Academy Awardee, Ex. Editor, Punjabi Tribune, Desh Sewak, Ajit (Punjab) Jalandhar

Message

Warmest congratulations to your esteemed club on the successful organization of the 61st All India Principal Harbhajan Singh Football Tournament. Your dedication, meticulous planning, and hard work have undoubtedly contributed in making this tournament a great success. Organizing such a prestigious event requires immense effort, coordination and a passion for the sport and your club has excelled in every aspect. The seamless execution and the high standard of the tournament have not only provided a platform for talented footballers but have also contributed significantly to the promotion and development of football at a National level.



Pr. Jagmohan Singh (Retd.)

Khalsa Co. Edu. Sr. Sec. School Badon (Hoshiarpur) 9872509890

Message

Congratulations to Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Club for exceptionally organizing 61st All India Principal Harbhajan Singh Football Tournament. May the success continue to fuel your passion in future. Wishing you entire club members and supporters a bright and successful journey ahead.



Prof. Prem Singh Chandumazra
Ex. Member Parliament



S. Surinder Singh Bhullewal Rathan
Ex. MLA



S. Sohan Singh Thandal
Ex Cabinet Minister

Message

Heartfelt congratulations to you and your entire team on the successful organization of the 61st All India Principal Harbhajan Singh Football Tournament. Organizing an event of this magnitude requires tremendous effort and coordination, and your team's ability to execute it flawlessly is commendable. The positive impact of the tournament is felt not only by the participating teams but also by the spectators and the broader football community.



S. Mukhtiyar Singh Happy (Mojji)
President, Olympian Jarnail Singh Memorial Football Tournament Committee, Garhshankar



S. Harjinder Singh Baath
Sr. Vice President, Olympian Jarnail Singh Memorial Football Tournament Committee, Garhshankar



S. Balbir Singh Darar (Palli Jhikki)
Living in Nashville (Tennessee) USA

Message

I extend my heartiest felicitations on the organization of 61st edition of the All India Principal Harbhajan Singh Football Tournament from 15 Feb to 22 Feb 2024 at Mahilpur. The tournament is definitely the biggest annual football festival the area witnesses which brings together over 4000 Soccer players and nearly 50,000 football fans from across the globe. During the Gala, ceremonies outstanding players and winning teams are recognized and awarded. The tournament serves not only to search and nurture talent but also to mentor youth in various ethics like management, refereeing, commentating and so forth. We also invite football Legends to inspire the youth during the tournament. All this is done with a philanthropic view to keep young people busy and away from social evils like drug abuse, crime, radicalization etc. Principal Harbhajan Singh Football Committee addresses the grass root football. The immense success of the tournament behooves the great vision of the founding father of the institution, Late Principal Harbhajan Singh, who himself was a zealous soccer lover. I also take this message as an opportunity to express my gratitude to all the committee members and office bearers who never waver from their efforts to make this event better enough. My sincerest thanks are due to Dr. Parvinder Singh for his overwhelming support and dedication in reaching towards higher ideals both in education as well as sports. I shall not desist from saying here that under his able leadership the sports infrastructure of the college has reached its pinnacle till now. I wish to thank members of Sikh Educational Council, Principals and members of various institutions of S.G.G.S. Khalsa College Campus for their cooperation and help.

Wg. Cdr. Hardev Singh Dhillon (Retd.)

Sr. Vice President

Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Club, Mahilpur

Message

Your dedication, passion, and hard work have once again shone through, creating a fantastic platform for football enthusiasts from across the country. The tournament not only celebrates the spirit of sportsmanship but also pays tribute to Principal Harbhajan Singh's enduring legacy in promoting sports at such a grand scale. I would like to express my gratitude for your efforts in making the 61st edition of the tournament a grand success. Your contributions to the world of sports are invaluable, and I am confident that the Principal Harbhajan Singh Football Tournament will continue to inspire and uplift the football community in the years to come.

S. Sital Singh Palahi

International Football Player & Writer



A Brief Introduction

Captain/played for Football Teams:-

- a) Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Mahilpur
- b) Distt. Hoshiarpur School Team
- c) Jalandhar Division School Football Team at Punjab Schools Football Championship.
- Captain of Punjab Football Team (under-19)

-Attended (U-19) National Football camp at Cooperage Stadium Bombay for Asian Games (1961-62)

-Played for SGGGS Khalsa College 1962-63.

-Played football at various levels during my service in Indian Air Force.

Passed NDA EXAM Dec 1962 and joined Indian Air Force in Dec 1963 in Flying Branch and retired in the rank of wing commander in Oct. 1989.



A Brief Introduction

Chief Coach Sports Authority of India

Qualification: M.A., B.Ed, D.P. Ed, M.S. Gold Medalist

Sports Achievements:

- * Represented India
- * Rep. Captain, Indian University Team
- * Played Santosh trophy 9 times from 1979 to 1988
- * Three time National champion (Santosh Trophy)

* Played for PSEB Club from 1979 to 1988
Coach: Chief Coach SAG Project of SAI produced 24 international players in Junior, Sub Junior School India Category.

Asstt. Coach: SAF Games for Islamabad
1989 Administration: SAF Schemes (Regional Centre)



Dear Tournament Participants,

It is with great pleasure, I extend greetings to all organizers, participants, and spectators of the 61st annual All India Principal Harbhajan Singh Memorial Football Tournament in Mahilpur.

Being born in Canada with ancestral roots in Mahilpur, I can say with extreme pride, Principal Harbhajan Singh's vision to promote education and athletics is a lasting legacy that has been shared around the world as a generational message in the homes of everyone with Mahilpur area ancestry.

I have great appreciation for the Mahilpur area residents and its descendants from abroad who continue to devote their time and efforts towards the growth and success of this tournament. I respectfully recognize and thank the three trusts which assist in funding and organizing the tournament: Principal Harbhajan Singh Memorial Trust; The Principal Harbhajan Singh Sports & Education Society; and Principal Harbhajan Singh Memorial Football Club. All these trusts were formed by Mahilpur area descendants who live in Canada, USA, and the United Kingdom. Today, it is exciting to see how Mahilpur continues to thrive in its historic roots as a beacon for education, a nursery for football, and an economic epicenter for its many neighboring villages. Many ongoing area projects and initiatives are only possible with the efforts of everyone connected to Mahilpur and the neighboring villages who continue to give back to village that nurtured them.

Thank you to all association members and volunteers for making this event a success every year.

S. Parm Bains, Member of Parliament for Steveston - Richmond East

Government of Canada

Member, Principal Harbhajan Singh Memorial Trust

Message

The Principal Harbhajan Singh Football Tournament has long been a highlight in our community, and this year's edition is going to be truly remarkable. The flawless execution, the vibrant atmosphere, and the overall enthusiasm generated among players and spectators display the high standards set by your organizing team. Wishing, Principal Harbhajan Singh Football Tournament will continue to thrive under capable team of the club.



S. Gurdev Singh Gill
Arjuna Awardee



S. Inder Singh Gill
Arjuna Awardee



S. Parminder Singh
Asian Star Footballer



S. Sukhwinder Singh Sukhi
National Coach



Dr. Jaspal Singh
Principal Lyallpur
Khalsa College, Jalandhar



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Fatehpur Kothi
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S. Mukhinderpal Singh
Canada



S. Barinder Singh Bhambra
President Kanav Green Foundation,
Mahilpur



Sant Baba Hari Singh Ji Kaharpuri
Founder, President
Sikh Educational Council
Mahilpur

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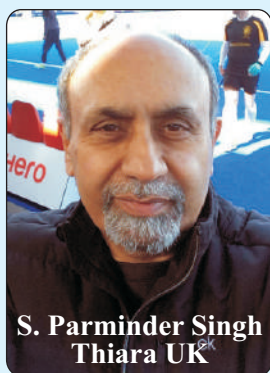
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Sant Sadhu Singh Ji Kaharpuri
President
Sikh Educational Council
Mahilpur

Message

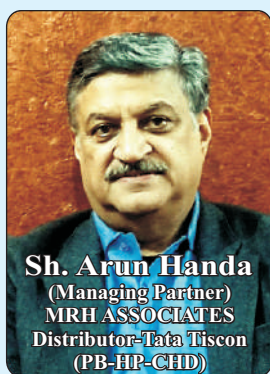


S. Parminder Singh
Thiara UK

May I take this opportunity to extend my warm wishes to the organising committee of the Harbhajan Singh memorial football tournament for a successful and entertaining week of football. I would also like to extend my gratitude and appreciation to Arun Handa ji for the sponsorship and the association of Tata Steel and Tata Sports with Mahilpur College—an association that can open up opportunities for the younger generation. Wishing all success in the tournament.

Waheguru ji ka Khalsa,
Waheguru ji Ki Fateh.

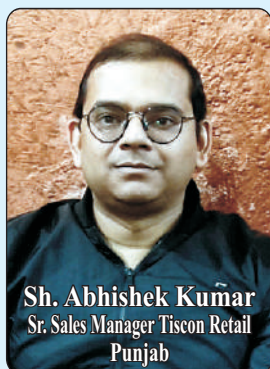
Message



Sh. Arun Handa
(Managing Partner)
MRH ASSOCIATES
Distributor-Tata Tiscon
(PB-HP-CHD)

Happy to know that Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Club (Mahilpur) is organizing the 61st All India Principal Harbhajan Singh Memorial Football Tournament 2024 from 15th Feb to 22nd Feb 24. It is a privilege that Tata Steels - Tata Tiscon is associating with the tournament as the Principal Sponsor this year. I look forward to this association cementing over the years for promotion of the game, players and the Club. I wish the organizers and the tournaments huge success.

Message



Sh. Abhishek Kumar
Sr. Sales Manager Tiscon Retail
Punjab

I would like to express my sincere wishes to Principal Harbhajan Singh supporting club for their commitment to sports development for successfully organizing the 61st All India Principal Harbhajan Singh Football Tournament. Your efforts in ensuring the smooth execution of this prestigious tournament have not gone unnoticed. The partnership between Tata and your club will undoubtedly play a crucial role in ensuring the success and sustainability of this event for the years to come. I am confident that with their ongoing support, future editions will reach even greater heights. With your leadership and the steadfast support of partners like Tata, we are confident that the tournament will continue to thrive, inspiring generations of football enthusiasts and nurturing the next wave of sporting talent.



A Tribute

**Principal Harbhajan Singh
(1891-1962)**

"Let there be no inscription upon my tomb. Let no man write my epitaph. Let my character and motives repose in obscurity and peace, till other times and other men can do them justice". Robert Emmet's words dating back to 1803 perhaps reflect the innate qualities of visionaries, usually legends in their lifetimes who have inspired generations.

And for thousands of Punjabis, particularly from Mahilpur, settled in India and abroad the late Principal Harbhajan Singh remains a beacon of inspiration through his ideals. His contribution in making Mahilpur a football centre as well as a seat of higher learning remains unparalleled and unmatched.

Born at Mahilpur on January 9, 1891, to Tehsildar Natha Singh Bains and Mrs Kishan Kaur, Principal Harbhajan Singh died issueless in 1962. But in a career spanning four decades, he achieved what many could only dream of, without craving for materialistic gains. His missionary zeal and dedication to the cause of education and sports can be gauged from the fact that he did not draw a single rupee as salary while discharging his duties as Principal of Sri Guru Gobind Singh Khalsa College, Mahilpur, for 15 years until shortly before his death in 1962. Moreover, he donated his life's earnings and property to the college after steering the institution to a position of eminence. Thus from a remote and obscure village in Hoshiarpur district, Mahilpur acquired the status of not only a prominent educational centre but also as a nursery of football. No wonder, eminent Army officers, bureaucrats and footballers of Punjab, both past and present, have been indebted to Principal Harbhajan Singh for their illustrious careers. They include independent India's first Defence Minister, Mr Baldev Singh, the late Lieut- Gen PS Gyani, Lieut-Gen KS Gill, Lieut-Gen NS Bal, Maj-Gen Gian Singh, Col Surinder Singh Bains, former Olympian Jarnail Singh, Justice Ajit Singh Bains, former PSEB Engineer-in-Chief Harbans Singh Bains, who is also Chairman of the Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Club, and many more.

Having lost his father in childhood, Harbhajan Singh grew up under the watchful eyes of his uncle, Mr. Dalip Singh and tutor, Munshi Fateh Singh who imbibed in him the qualities of the head and heart. Quick in learning, the young Harbhajan was awarded scholarships for the fifth and eighth standard examinations which he passed from the District Board Vernacular Middle School. Later he did his matriculation from DAV High School, Hoshiarpur, in 1911 and FA from Khalsa College, Amritsar. For graduation, he shifted to DAV College, Lahore, from where he passed his BA examination in 1915. Later, having done BT from Government Central Training College, Lahore, he joined as Headmaster at Khalsa High School, Ambala. Later he served as Headmaster at Malwa High School, Ludhiana for two years, and Khalsa High School, Kharar for a year before taking over as Headmaster at Khalsa High School, Mahilpur. Within a short span, the Mahilpur school earned statewide recognition in education and sports. Students from far and near sought admission and the institution earned a name in disciplines like football, tug-of-war, and hockey with Principal Harbhajan Singh personally supervising practice sessions. In the early forties the idea to set up a degree college caught the fancy of Principal Harbhajan Singh and the dream took concrete shape in 1946 when he paid a guarantee money of Rs.85000 to Panjab University from his own savings and was later made founder Principal, the post which he held until shortly before his death. When Principal Harbhajan Singh breathed his last on August 16, 1962, a meeting of grief-stricken admirers having decided to perpetuate his memory resolved to constitute a panel to carry forward his mission. Accordingly, a committee was constituted which decided to start the Principal Harbhajan Singh Memorial Football Tournament on an annual basis. The first edition of the tournament was organized in October-November 1962, and the practice continued till 1965. In 1966, the Harbhajan Sporting Club came into existence which assumed responsibility for conducting the tournament. Dr. Narinder Pal was the founder President of the club. Ever since there has been interruption and increased interest of N.R.I's has given the tournament further boost. The 54th edition of the tournament currently under way at Mahilpur offers over Rs 1 lakh in prize money. Among the sponsors are the Principal Harbhajan Singh Educational and Sports Society, Vancouver, and the Principal Harbhajan Singh Memorial Trust also based in Canada.

Amardeep Bhattal

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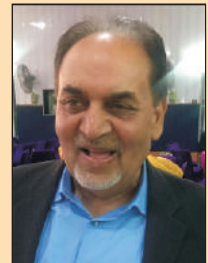
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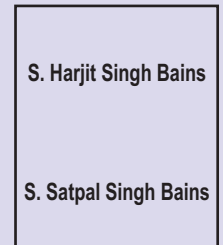
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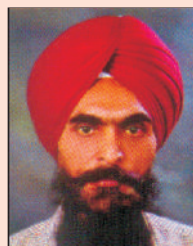
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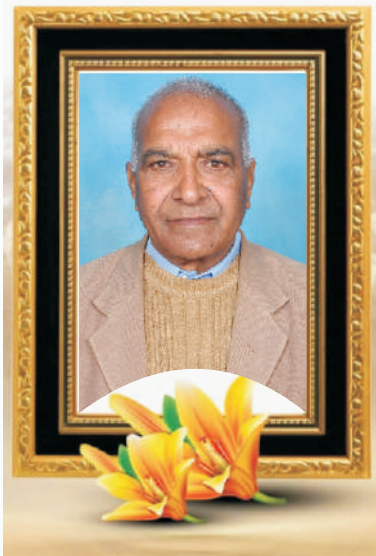
Coach Ali Hassan



Principal B.K. Bali



S. Avtar Singh Tari



Sh. Harbans Rai

It is with heavy hearts and deep sorrow that we come together to pay tribute to our dear members who have departed from us. Each of these individuals has left an indelible mark on our club, and their absence is deeply felt by all who had the privilege of knowing them. In their time with us, these members contributed not only their time and talents but also their warmth, kindness, and the unique spirit that made our club a family. Their passion for Principal Harbhajan Singh sporting club and their unwavering commitment to the values served as an inspiration to us all.

To the families and friends of our departed members, our thoughts and condolences are with you. May you find comfort in the love and memories shared during their time with us.

Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Club, Mahilpur

Principal Harbhajan Singh Memorial Education and Sports Trust Vancouver Canada

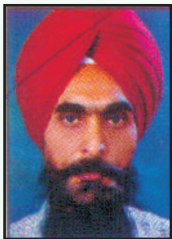
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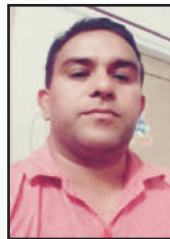
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The Legendary S. Jarnail Singh Arjuna Awardee



Jarnail Singh is regarded as one of the most outstanding defenders to have donned Indian colours. The natural athlete that he was, Jarnail took the art of defense to new heights making himself an epitome of strength and stamina. Like many of his illustrious compatriots, Jarnail played a pivotal role in shaping India's football fortunes during the golden era of Indian football folklore now. Braving a nasty head-injury that required six stitches, Jarnail in his new avatar as a forward, scored crucial goals in the semi-final and final to fetch India, its maiden Asian football gold. Two years later, when India became the runners up in the 1964 Asia Cup at Tel Aviv, Jarnail was at his best, marshaling the defense with authority and guile. After another commendable show at the Merdeka tournament in Malaysia, in the same year, Jarnail took over the reins of the team from Chuni Goswami and continued for more than two seasons with a fair bit of success. At the domestic circuit, Jarnail was associated with the Mohun Bagan Club for 10 glorious years when the green-and-maroon team swept all the major titles at the national level. After quitting from Mohun Bagan in 1969, Jarnail went to play for Punjab and inspired the team to win the first Santosh Trophy in 1970 as a coach-cum-player.

In July 2000, Jarnail Singh (64) widower, had gone to visit the son Harsh Singh in Vancouver (Canada). While on his visit he was rushed to hospital after he complained of breathlessness. Later that day, 13th October 2000 the Legend Jarnail Singh passed away due to an asphyctic disorder.





S. Gurdev Singh Gill

Arjuna Awardee

S/O Sh. Kishan Singh Gill.

Date of Birth : 20.04.1950

On 10th Nov. 2019
He was Honoured with
Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji
Achievers Award by
Govt. of Punjab on
the occasion of 550th
Birth of Sri Guru Nanak
Dev Ji, for his valuable
contribution to
the Football

Achievements International Level:

- 1970 Played for Indian XI in the 4th Asian Cup held at Bangkok.
- 1971 Indonesia Anniversary Football Tournament at Djakarta (Indonesia).
- 1972 Pre-Olympic held at Rangoon (Burma).
- 1973 Went to Canada for marriage.
- 1974 7th Asian Games held at Tehran (Iran).
- 1975 Aga Khan Gold Cup Dhaka (Bangladesh).
- 1976 Afghan Jassion celebration Football Tournament at Kabul (Afghanistan).
- 1976 Medrekka Soccer at Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia).
- 1977 Afghan Jassion celebration Football Tournament at Kabul (Afghanistan).
- 1977 Zambian Soccer Tournament Central Africa as Vice Captain.
- 1977 7th President Cup Seoul (South Korea) as Vice Captain.
- 1977 10th Kings Cup held at Bangkok as Captain. Beat South Korea 1-0, India beat S. Korea after 15 yrs.
- 1978 Aga Khan Gold Cup (Silver Medal) held at Dhaka as Captain and was declared best player of the tournament.
- 1978 8th Asian Games held at Bangkok (Thailand) as Captain.
- 1980 IGP/PAP & CSO Punjab Police did not allow participating in Pre-Olympic held at Singapore due to The All India Police Games held at Pune on the same date. At that time S. Gurdev Gill was also Captain of Indian Team. The Punjab Police won the Gold Medal beat to BSF.

Sports Secretary Punjab Police: (11-4-2002 to 21-7-2004)

Awards:

Arjuna Award in 1978-79.

Maharaja Ranjit Singh Award in 1984-85.

Footballer of the Millennium by Delhi Sports and Journalist Association in 2000.

Police Medal for Meritorious Services on the occasion of Independence Day in 2000.

Retired from Commandant Training CISTC Kapurthala on 30th April 2008.

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S. Inder Singh Arjuna Awardee



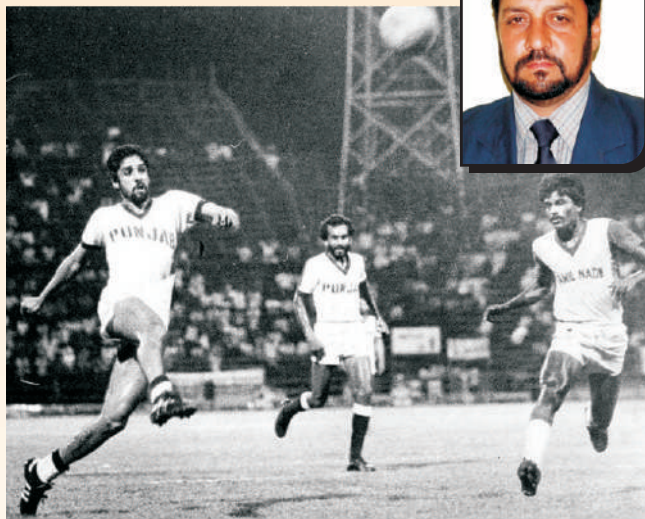
PHAGWARA footballer and 63-year-old Inder Singh are almost synonymous. This recipient of the Arjuna Award strode the Indian football firmament like a colossus for over two decades. With his speed, stamina and killer instinct, he scripted victory easily. Having joined the Leader Club in 1960 and the JCT in 1974, he played for Punjab from 1962-1978, for India from 1963-1975. He captained the Indian team thrice in 1969, 1973 and 1975. He won the Arjuna Award in 1969.

It was his scoring ability that won him laurels. His shielding of the ball from the immediate marker was marvellous, according to experts. His record of 23 goals in the Santosh Trophy Tournament held in Punjab in 1974 has not been beaten till date. Punjab had defeated Bengal then by 6-0 goals in the final and Inder Singh alone had scored three goals. The Punjab team scored a total of 46 goals in the tournament out of which as many as 23 goals were scored were scored by Inder Singh!

He was selected in the Asian All-Stars team in 1967-1968. He was declared the "Best Right Out" in Asian Cup held at Tel Aviv in Israel in 1964. India was the runner-up there. He played for the JCT from 1974 to 1985. After his retirement, he was the manager of the JCT from 1985 to 2001. Since November 2001 he has been the Honorary Secretary of Punjab Football Association and also represents as member from North India in All India Football Federation's Executive Committee.

Inder Singh played in the Merdeka Football Tournament in Malaysia. Interestingly, the then-Prime-Minister of Malaysia, Mr Tinku Abdul Rehman, became his fan so much that he offered him a monthly salary of Rs 23,000 in 1967! The PM offered him five years' contract. But Inder Singh turned down the offer, as he wanted to play for Punjab and India. "Some of my friends then called me a sentimental fool to have rejected the offers," recalls Inder Singh. Later, the Mohan Bagan Club of West Bengal offered him a blank cheque. The Khalsa Sporting Club, Canada, also made a plum offer to him, but he stuck to his roots.

Asian Star Footballer S. Parminder Singh



Parminder Singh (renowned as Asian Star Footballer) joined JCT as Football Coach in the year 1995. He is graduate and has done Diploma in Football Coaching from Sports Authority of India (NIS Diploma) and has done AFC (Asian Football Confederation) "A", "B" & "C" Licence Coaching Courses. Besides this he has done AFC "B" & "C" Licence Conditioning Courses. He was one of the participants in FIFA Futuro-III Administration & Management Course which was conducted at AIFF Football House, New Delhi. During His playing career, Mr. Parminder Singh Kang has set a record of playing 19 years for JCT and in that period he had represented JCT in 19 Federation Cups, 19 Santosh Trophies. He had the honour to represent India Team in various International Assignments in the years 1975 to 1986. Mr. Parminder Singh Kang has brought Laurels for JCT and Punjab State by winning Major ALL India Tournaments for JCT and Santosh Trophies for Punjab State. He was declared as "Best Player of the decades" by AIFF in the year 1992. He had the honour to represent India as member of "Asian All Star Football Team". He was conferred with "Maharaja Ranjit Singh Award" (a top level state award) by Government of Punjab in the year 1983. He was also declared as "Best Player of the year 1984" by Delhi Sports Journalists Association, New Delhi.

List of Winners/Runners-Up of the Principal Harbhajan Singh Memorial Trophy

~ Club Level ~

Year	Winner	- Runners-Up-
1976	Leaders Club, Jallander	- Khalsa College Mahilpur
1981	PSEB & Khalsa College	- Joint Winner
1983	Khalsa College Jallander	- P.S.E.B.
1984	Punjab State Electricity Board	
1985	Punjab State Electricity Board	
1996	Border Security Force	- Punjab Police
1997	Punjab Police	- JCT Phagwara
1998	Border Security Force	- PSEB Hoshiarpur
1999	Border Security Force	- PSEB Hoshiarpur
2000	Punjab Police	- PSEB Hoshiarpur
2001	Border Security Force	- Rail Coach Factory
2002	Border Security Force	- Punjab Police
2003	Punjab Police	- Border Security Force
2004	Punjab Police & BSF, Jallander	- Joint Winner
2005	JCT Mills B	- Border Security Force
2006	JCT Mills B	- Punjab Police
2007	JCT Mills B	- JCT Football Academy
2008	J&K Football Club	- UFC Amity (UP)
2009	Punjab Police	- JCT Football Academy
2010	Sing Sabha Sports Club(Kot-Fatuhi)	- Harbhajan Sporting Clup Mahilpur
2011	Border Security Force	- Punjab Police
2012	Punjab Police Jalandhar	- Tata Football Academy
2013	RCF Kapurthala	- Punjab Police Jalandhar
2014	U.P.F.C Mahilpur	- Punjab Police Jalandhar
2015	U.P.F.C Mahilpur	- RCF (Kapurthala)
2016	C.R.P.F. Jalandhar	- Rurka Football Club, Rurka Kalan
2017	B.S.F. Jalandhar	- Punjab Police Jalandhar
2018	Minerva FC	- ONGC Mumbai
2019	CISF Calcutta	- Punjab Police Jalandhar
2020	Punjab Police FC Jalandhar	- Minerva FC Mohali
2021	Tournament was not held to corona	
2022	Delhi FC	- Khalsa Warriors
2023	Sports Academy TIRUR Kerala	- Techtro Swades United Una

~ College Level ~

Year	Winner	-Runners-Up-
1997	Khalsa College Mahilpur	- DAV Hoshiarpur
1998	Khalsa College Mahilpur	- SN College Banga
1999	Khalsa College Mahilpur	- SN College Banga
2001	SGGS Khalsa College	- DAV College, Hoshiarpur
2002	SN College Banga	- Khalsa College Mahilpur
2003	Khalsa College Mahilpur	- SN College Banga
2004	Khalsa College Mahilpur	- DAV Hoshiarpur
2005	Khalsa College Mahilpur	- Khalsa College Jallander
2006	F.A. Mahilpur	- Khalsa College Mahilpur
2007	GN College Phagwara	- F.A. Chandigarh
2008	F.A. Mahilpur	- SN College Banga
2009	SN College Banga	- F.A. Mahilpur
2010	Khalsa College Mahilpur	- ITI Hoshiarpur
2011	F.A. Chandigarh	- Khalsa College Mahilpur
2012	Football Academy Mahilpur	- SGGS Khalsa College Mahilpur
2013	S.N.College Banga	- Football Academy Mahilpur
2014	SGGS Khalsa College Mahilpur	- Layalpur Khalsa College Jalandhar
2015	Football Academy Mahilpur	- Football Academy, Paldi
2016	Football Academy, Mahilpur	- Football Academy, Paldi
2017	Lyallpur Khalsa College, Jalandhar	- SGGS Khalsa College, Mahilpur
2018	SGGS Khalsa College, Mahilpur	- Govt. College, Hoshiarpur
2019	Lyallpur Khalsa College, Jalandhar	- SGGS Khalsa College, Mahilpur
2020	SGGS Khalsa College, Mahilpur	- SBBS University, Khialan
2021	Tournament was not held to corona	
2022	BAM Khalsa College, Garhshankar	- DAV College Phagwara
2023	SN College, Banga	- GNA University

U-17 Category

Year	Winner	- Runners-Up
2018	FA Baddon	-FA Mahilpur
2019	FA Paldi	-FA Baddon
2020	Govt. School Phagwara	-FA Baddon
2022	Minerva FA Mohali	-SBBS FA Khiala
2023	Round Glass FA	-CFA Chandigarh

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Manisha



BALWANT SINGH



AMRINDER SINGH



MANVIR SINGH



KARANJIT SINGH



HARMANJOT KHABRA



NAVEEN KUMAR



GURTEJ SINGH



ARSHDEEP SINGH



ANWAR ALI



RALI GAGANDEEP



SUKHDEV SINGH



MEHTAB SINGH



DEEPAK KUMAR



AMANDEEP SINGH



AJAY SINGH



AKAASHDEEP SINGH



Harmilan Bains
Two Silver Medals
in Asian Games-2023

*A*mrinder Singh Sandhu was born on May 27, 1993, in the village of Manolia to parents Ranjit Singh Sandhu and Kulwant Kaur. He has adorned his football club in Pune with his football skills. He has achieved remarkable performance in the Indian Football League, elevating his club to new heights. With his technical prowess, he has been declared the 'Hero of the Match' six times. Amrinder Singh's impressive achievements include representing the Indian team as the captain at the Asian Games held in South Korea, apart from being the captain of the Indian team in the age group of Under 23 years. This Indian team played in Bangladesh. He also participated in friendly matches played in Goa as part of the senior team of India. His performance in the matches played in the 2013-14 Indian League was highly commendable. He was honoured with the title of "Hero of the Match" in four matches. Amrinder played against Bengaluru FC, Sporting Goa, and Shillong. He has displayed his playing skills in numerous international matches. He has set several records with clubs like Pune FC, Bengaluru FC, and Mumbai City FC. In 2016, his team became the champions of the Indian League, and he won the Golden Glove Award. In 2017, he achieved great success by winning the Federation Cup.

He also became the first Indian goalkeeper to receive the Golden Glove Award. He was part of the Indian team that reached the finals of the AFC Cup, making it the first Indian team to do so. He has won the Golden Glove award in the Indian Super League and the Indian League, making him the only Indian goalkeeper to achieve this feat. He achieved a significant milestone in his life by securing a prominent position in the Saurav Ganguly-led team, Atletico Kolkata SC. Thanks to his efforts, the team became champions for the first time. His hard work and dedication demonstrate that with daily practice and outstanding performance in the field, he has established himself as a valuable asset in Indian football. His brother, Sukhman Singh, a skilled artist, is currently making waves in the Odisha Football Club. He played a crucial role in coaching Amarjeet in honing his football skills, alongside Yadwinder Singh, Manjit Singh, Tarnjeet Singh, and Gurjeet Singh Gill. Vinderjeet Singh, who is associated with the Youth Welfare Sports and Cultural Club in their village, serves as his inspiration and provides the necessary support to keep him engaged in various sporting activities. In the 2012 I-League, Amrinder's team won five matches, and he conceded only a goal.

He demonstrates his prowess in showcasing his skills in every competition. In 2011, he was also selected for FC Pune City in the Rural National and School National Championships. Through hard work day and night, he achieved success. His achievements include affiliations with Air India, Mohun Bagan, Indian Oil, Shillong, and other clubs, where he has scored numerous goals. *-Baljinder Maan*





*H*armanjot Singh's struggle with his life, he humbly states that as the son of a renowned footballer, Harnandan Singh Khabra he has to work even harder than others to elevate his and his father's name. Harmanjot Singh Khabra, a football player from East Bengal, has been successful in various National and International competitions since 2009.

Harmanjot Singh Khabra has become a prominent figure in Indian football and is often referred to as the "King of Football" nowadays. Coaches Ali Hasan and Vijay Kumar provided him with technical strategies and guidance from a young age, which helped him excel in the field. After showcasing a magnificent performance in a match, Harmanjot Singh Khabra received praise from prominent Indian footballer and coach, Mr. P. K. Banerjee, who said, "You are the second jewel of India. In the 2010-11, He achieved the title of the 'Best Player' in the National Football League in East Bengal. Additionally, East Bengal won the prestigious Federation Cup that year. Harmanjot Singh Khabra, a midfielder for the Kolkata League champion team in the Federation Cup in July 2011. In November 2012, he scored two goals against the Air India team, strengthening his team's position in the National Football League.

In 2015, Harmanjot Singh Khabra played for Chennaiyin Football Club and became the champion of the Indian Super League. In the 2016-17, he joined Bengaluru Football Club and led his team to victory in the Federation Cup. He achieved an excellent position in the Indian Super League in the 2019-20 and also played outstanding matches in various countries, including the Maldives and Derby, representing the National team. In 2002, under his captaincy in the Under-17 category, Punjab State School Championship was won. Similarly, in 2003, Punjab won the Gold Medal under his leadership. After Punjab, he joined the Tata Football Academy, where he improved his game and went on a tour to England with the Indian team and won three matches. In 2004, the Indian Junior Team went on its first overseas tour and won the Governor's Gold Cup and L.G. Cup in Delhi. Due to his impressive performance, he was selected for the National Football League by the Tata Academy. In 2009, I joined East Bengal. In the Federation Cup by scoring goals he created a sensation and awarded the 'Best Player'.

Harmanjot is continuously excelling in the field of football in the state of East Bengal for the past seven years. He is the sole Indian footballer among the top five scorers in the state. He has played more than 1380 minutes in the Indian Super League. He has also been included in the top five tacklers of the league, with 43 successful tackles, making him a formidable defender. He has also won the emerging Player of the Year award by the Football Players Association. In 2014, he captained his team and achieved glory in the Indian Super League. He is making a mark in the most prestigious club, Bengaluru Football Club, which is the most expensive club in the country. He has participated in and won several international competitions, representing different communities. Harmanjot Singh, the captain of East Bengal Club, can be considered a living legend, and a book can be written about his accomplishments and achievements.

-Baljinder Maan

Ghak Kataru is a village located near Mahilpur, Punjab. Nowadays, this small village is shining on the football stage, as Gagandeep Singh Bali Ghatti is contributing to the Indian team as a talented footballer.

Gagandeep is a talented and dedicated footballer, associated with Minerva Club (Punjab Football Club). He studied at the government secondary school in Nangal Khurd village and developed a deep passion for football. He started practicing day and night to become a skilled footballer. His hard work paid off when he was selected to represent the Mahilpur School football team. Under the guidance of coach Harinder Sunny at Khalsa College, Mahilpur, he learned various playing techniques and excelled in inter-arsity competitions, winning gold and silver medals for his team. He also participated in the National Football Championship Santosh Trophy during his studies. Gagandeep's skills and contributions were widely recognized, making him a key player in every match he played.

Gagandeep's selection for the National Football Championship took him to Goa, where he joined Salgaocar Club in 2014, representing Punjab. Later, he became a prominent player in Minerva Punjab, earning accolades for the club in the I-League. With his exceptional skills, he scored three goals and provided four assists, contributing significantly to the team's success. In 2019, he received an offer from East Bengal Club, where he continued to showcase his talent. Gagandeep's contributions were instrumental in Punjab FC's journey in the I-League, helping them to reach a new height. He is a professional footballer who excels in competitive league matches. His gameplay skills are a result of his deep understanding of the sport. Gagandeep's parents, Balram Kumar Bali and Sureshta Bali, have supported his football aspirations wholeheartedly, providing him with the right guidance and knowledge to excel on the field. He possesses qualities that surpass others, thanks to the correct guidance and football knowledge imparted to him. Born on July 2, 1990, Gagandeep Bali is not only admired and loved by his friends and peers for being the first goal scorer but also hold a significant position in the football world of Mahilpur. His remarkable achievements have earned him respect and admiration in the football community.

-Baljinder Maan



*I*n the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China, Harmilan Bains, the sole athlete from Punjab, won a silver medal in the 1500 meters and 800 meters run. She expressed her inspiration for this victory to her parents, stating that her mother won a silver medal in the 800 meters run at the 2002 Busan Asian Games with a time of 2:04:04. She also broke her mother's record (2:03:75) and won two medals. She continues to uphold her family's athletic legacy, even practicing in Dharamshala, Himachal Pradesh, during the COVID-19 pandemic.

She participated in the National Inter-State Senior Athletics Championship in June 2023 in Bhubaneswar, winning silver medals in the 1500 meters and 800 meters run. In Jaipur (Rajasthan), she secured the first position in the National Athletics Meet, making her the first in India. Over the past few years, she has excelled in various competitions at the state and national levels, earning numerous medals in both track and field events. She achieved her first position in the under-14 age group in Punjab at the age of 14. Harmilan has consistently performed well in competitions, winning gold medals in events like the 400 meters and 800 meters. She earned a gold medal in the district-level cross-country race in 2007. Her achievements continued in school-level competitions, where she secured top positions in events like the 800 meters and 400 meters. Her notable accomplishments include winning the gold medal in the 2-kilometer district cross-country race in 2007 and the district-level cross-country race in 2009. In January 2009, she achieved impressive victories in the Amachloor Athletics Meet. Later in October 2009, she won the gold medal in the district-level cross-country race in the 2-kilometer category. Harmilan's success continued in 2010, where she won gold medals in various events, adding to her impressive collection. In the Ludhiana Rural Punjab Athletics, she set a record in the 800 meters, winning with a time of 2.26 minutes. She also excelled in the Punjab Schools Games in 2010, winning the 600 meters race in Ludhiana. In December 2010, she secured a gold medal in the CBSE School Athletics Meet for the 800 meters with a record time of 2.25 minutes. In 2011, she won the gold medal in the 800 meters race at the Punjab School Games. Harmilan's achievements continued in 2012-13, where she won the gold medal in the 600 meters race at the National School Athletics Meet in Jalandhar. She set a record time of 1:38.7 minutes in the 600 meters district-level race in Jalandhar.

Harmilan aims to represent India in the Olympics and is determined to make the nation proud. Apart from athletics, she also enjoys the taste of burger and pizza and has interests in singing and modelling. Her outstanding achievements suggest that she is on the path to becoming a golden star athlete for India in the future.

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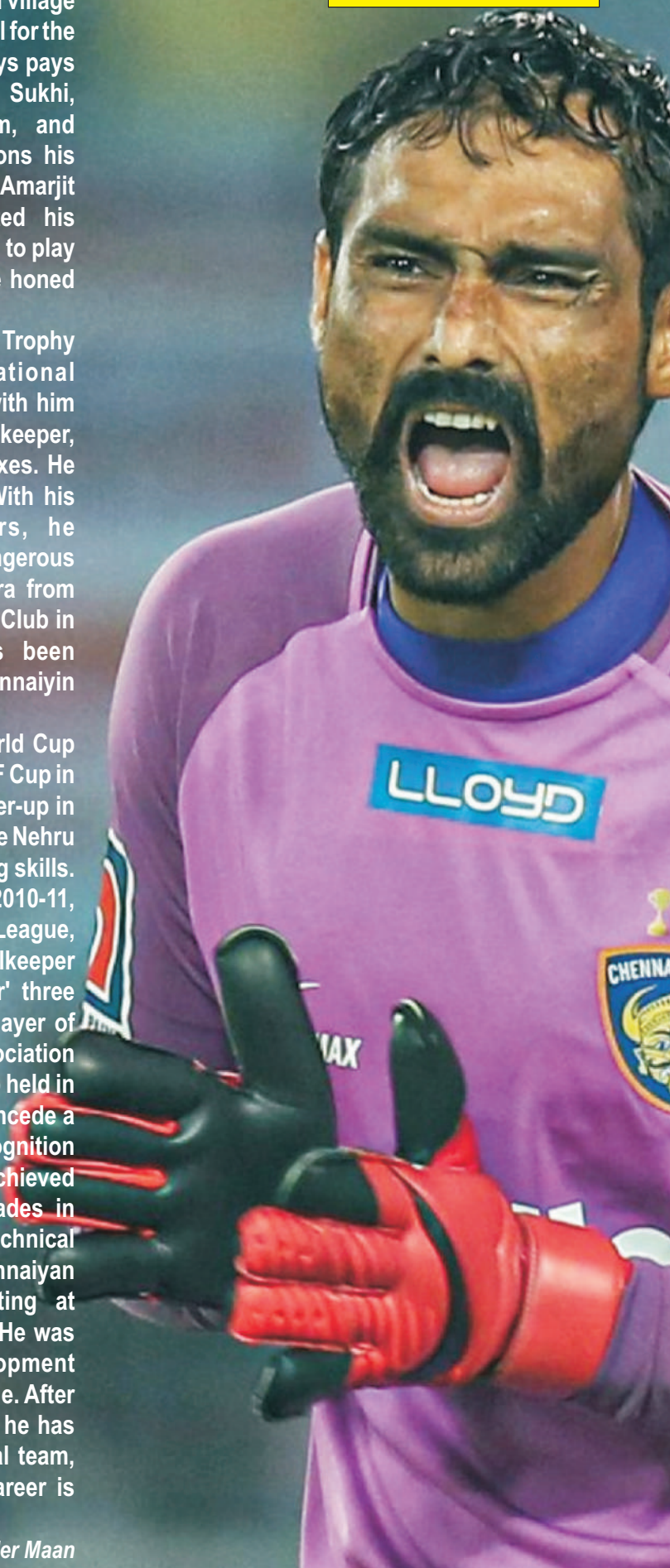


*K*aranjit Singh, who hails from a small village in Punjab, India, is currently playing football for the Chennaiian Football Club in Goa. He always pays tribute to his coaches, Sukhwinder Singh Sukhi, Parminder Singh, Manjit Singh Panam, and Principal Ajit Singh, whenever he mentions his achievements. His elder maternal uncle, Amarjit Singh, himself a football player, ignited his passion for the sport. This passion led him to play for the J.C.T. Club in Phagwara, where he honed his skills at a young age.

From 2005 to 2009, he played the Santosh Trophy four times. His team won the National championship twice during that period, with him as the captain. Karanjit Singh, the goalkeeper, possesses courage and exceptional reflexes. He never resorts to foul play on the field. With his towering height of 182 centimeters, he successfully intercepts balls from even dangerous angles. He played for JCT Club, Phagwara from 2004 to 2010 and later Salgaocar Football Club in Goa until 2016. Since 2017, he has been showcasing his technical skills in Chennaiyin Football Club.

In 2014 and 2018, he played the FIFA World Cup qualifiers with great pride. He won the SAFF Cup in 2011 and 2016, and his team was the runner-up in the 2013 Nehru Cup. In 2012, he also won the Nehru Gold Cup with his outstanding goalkeeping skills. He led his team to victory in the I-League 2010-11, Federation Cup, and Durand Cup. In the I-League, his impressive performances as a goalkeeper earned him the title of 'Best Goalkeeper' three times. He was honored with the "Fans Player of India" award by the Football Players Association of India. In the five matches of the SAF Cup held in India on December 11, 2011, he did not concede a single goal. His performance gained recognition and admiration worldwide. He has also achieved several national and international accolades in Punjab. In the 2017-18, he showcased his technical skills in the Indian Super League team Chennaiyan FC. His achievements include competing at various national and international levels. He was appointed by Football Sports Development Limited to promote the Indian Super League. After representing the Under-23 National team, he has now been selected for the senior National team, playing dozens matches. His sporting career is vibrant and full of victories.

-Baljinder Maan



*B*alwinder Singh, the beloved son of Village Bahawal of Hoshiarpur district, is a football star. He was born on March 2, 1992, to mother Nirmal Kaur. At a young age, he developed a love for football and showed his talent by dribbling the ball skillfully in Khalsa Secondary School, Paladhi. At a young age, he won a gold medal in the National School Games Under-19 category. From 2010 onwards, his remarkable performance earned him recognition at the top level. In the 2019-20, when he played for Mohammedan Sporting Club in Goa, his game reached new heights. He showcased his football skills with dedication and enthusiasm, which led to his team's success in the I-League Second Division and winning the Sikkim Gold Cup. Balwinder Singh Bindhi became a sensation in the world of football. He has worked tirelessly in this field, dedicating day and night to his passion. The name "Bindhi" given by his mother has become synonymous with his persona in the hearts of football enthusiasts.

Balwinder Singh showcased his exceptional performance from 2014 to 2016 as a footballer in the Saitakaruz Club Goa. He then moved to Salgaocar Sporting Club Goa for the 2016-17. In 2016, he also participated in the I-League representing Gokulam FC Kerala. He displayed his remarkable skills in the Chennai City FC in 2016 as well. With such outstanding abilities, Balwinder Singh became a promising footballer who could score spectacular goals at a young age. He is dedicated to his coaches and always strives to excel. He approaches the game with a combination of heart and mind. Adhering to the rules of the game is an essential part of his mindset. Spectators applaud his agile and energetic playing style. Both Balwinder Singh and his sister Daljeet Kaur do not tire of recognizing the achievements of their brother. Balwinder Singh has achieved remarkable feats through his hard work and determination. He believes that hard work is the key to success. Persistence and diligence are the pillars of his accomplishments. Thus, Balwinder Singh is cultivating and nurturing the qualities of humanity by integrating them into the world of sports.

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'ਮਾਹਿਲਪੁਰ ਦਾ ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲ ਸੰਸਾਰ' ਇਕ ਵਿਰਾਸਤੀ ਪੁਸਤਕ



ਮਾਹਿਲਪੁਰ ਦਾ ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲ ਸੰਸਾਰ 'ਬਲਜਿੰਦਰ ਮਾਨ' ਦੁਆਰਾ ਲਿਖੀ ਗਈ ਇਕ ਵਿਰਾਸਤੀ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਹੈ। ਮਾਹਿਲਪੁਰ ਦੀ ਧਰਤੀ ਨੂੰ ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲ ਦੀ ਨਰਸਰੀ ਕਿਹਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਵਿੱਚ 150 ਦੇ ਲੱਗਭਗ ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲ ਖਿਡਾਰੀਆਂ ਦੇ ਰੇਖਾ ਚਿੱਤਰ ਉਲੀਕੇ ਗਏ ਹਨ। ਇਸ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਨੂੰ ਪ੍ਰਕਾਸ਼ਿਤ ਕਰਨ ਦਾ ਸਿਹਰਾ ਪ੍ਰਿੰਸੀਪਲ ਹਰਭਜਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਸਪੋਰਟਿੰਗ ਕਲੱਬ ਮਾਹਿਲਪੁਰ ਦੇ ਪ੍ਰਧਾਨ ਕੁਲਵੰਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਸੰਘਾ ਨੂੰ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਤੋਂ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ 1995 ਵਿੱਚ ਬਲਜਿੰਦਰ ਮਾਨ ਦੁਆਰਾ 'ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲ ਜਗਤ ਮਾਹਿਲਪੁਰ' ਨਾਮ ਦੀ ਪੁਸਤਕ ਵੀ ਖੇਡ ਪ੍ਰੇਮੀਆਂ ਦੇ ਹੱਥਾਂ ਦਾ ਸ਼ਿੰਗਾਰ ਬਣ ਚੁੱਕੀ ਹੈ। 21 ਮੌਲਿਕ, 31 ਸੰਪਾਦਿਤ, 7 ਅਨੁਵਾਦਿਤ ਪੁਸਤਕਾਂ ਦੇ ਯੋਗਦਾਨ ਨਾਲ 2020 ਵਿੱਚ ਸ਼੍ਰੋਮਣੀ ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਬਾਲ ਸਾਹਿਤ ਲੇਖਕ ਪੁਰਸਕਾਰ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਕਰ ਚੁੱਕੇ ਹਨ। ਖੇਡ ਪੁਸਤਕਾਂ ਤੋਂ ਇਲਾਵਾ ਉਹ ਬਾਲ ਸਾਹਿਤ ਦੇ ਖੇਤਰ ਵਿੱਚ ਉਹਨਾਂ ਦੁਆਰਾ 1995 ਤੋਂ ਸੰਪਾਦਿਤ ਅਤੇ ਪ੍ਰਕਾਸ਼ਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਬਾਲ ਰਸਾਲਾ ਇੰਡੀਆਂ ਬੁਕ ਆਫ ਰਿਕਾਰਡਜ਼ ਵਿੱਚ ਦਰਜ ਹੋ ਚੁੱਕਾ ਹੈ। ਪ੍ਰਿੰਸੀਪਲ ਹਰਭਜਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਦੀ ਮਾਹਿਲਪੁਰ ਇਲਾਕੇ ਨੂੰ ਬਹੁਤ ਵੱਡੀ ਦੇਣ ਹੈ। 150 ਸਫ਼ਿਆਂ ਦੀ ਸਚਿੱਤਰ ਕਾਫੀਟੇਬਲ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਹੀ ਸਮਰਪਿਤ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੈ। ਜਰਨੈਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲਰ ਆਪਣੇ ਸਮੇਂ ਦਾ ਸਭ ਤੋਂ ਮਹਿੰਗਾ ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲ ਖਿਡਾਰੀ ਸੀ ਉਸ ਨਾਲ ਹੀ ਇਹ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਅਰੰਭ ਹੁੰਦੀ ਹੈ ਤੇ ਵੱਖ-

ਵੱਖ ਸਮਿਆਂ ਵਿੱਚ ਇਸ ਇਲਾਕੇ ਵੇ ਮੰਨੇ ਪ੍ਰਮਾਣੇ ਖਿਡਾਰੀਆਂ ਦੀ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਦਿੰਦੀ ਇਹ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਖੇਡ ਪ੍ਰੇਮੀਆਂ ਲਈ ਕਿਸੇ ਖੋਜ ਕਾਰਜ ਤੋਂ ਘੱਟ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਨੂੰ ਕੁੱਝ ਵੰਨਗੀਆਂ ਵਿੱਚ ਵੰਡਿਆ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ ਜਿਵੇਂ ਅਰਜਨ ਅਵਾਰਡੀ, ਪਾਲਕ ਤੇ ਸੰਚਾਲਕ, ਉਡਣ ਪਰੀਆਂ, ਮਾਰਦੇ ਜੋ ਉੱਚੀਆਂ ਉਡਾਰੀਆਂ, ਸਿੱਜਦੇ ਜੋ ਖੇਡ ਕਿਆਰੀਆਂ, ਸੰਦਲੀ ਪੈੜਾਂ, ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲ ਜਗਤ ਦੇ ਸੁਨਹਿਰੇ ਪੰਨੇ, ਜਿਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੀ ਚਰਚਾ ਹੁੰਦੀ ਤੇ ਅੰਬਰਾਂ ਦੇ ਤਾਰੇ ਆਦਿ। ਪ੍ਰਿੰਸੀਪਲ ਹਰਭਜਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਸਪੋਰਟਿੰਗ ਕਲੱਬ ਹਰ ਵਰ੍ਹੇ ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲ ਟੂਰਨਾਮੈਂਟ ਕਰਵਾਕੇ ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲ ਦੀ ਖੇਡ ਨੂੰ ਪ੍ਰਫੁੱਲਤ ਕਰ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਵਿੱਚ ਸਲਾਨਾ ਕਰਵਾਏ ਜਾ ਰਹੇ ਟੂਰਨਾਮੈਂਟ ਅਤੇ ਪਿੰਡ ਬਾੜੀਆਂ ਕਲਾਂ ਵਿੱਚ ਚੱਲ ਰਹੇ ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲ ਸਿਖਲਾਈ ਸੈਂਟਰ ਦੇ ਨਾਲ ਨਾਲ ਖਾਲਸਾ ਕਾਲਜ ਮਾਹਿਲਪੁਰ ਵਿਖੇ ਪ੍ਰਿੰਸੀਪਲ ਹਰਭਜਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲ ਅਕੈਡਮੀ ਬਾਰੇ ਵੀ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਮੁਹੱਈਆ ਕਰਵਾਈ ਗਈ ਹੈ। ਇਹ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਇਕੱਲੇ ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲ ਖਿਡਾਰੀਆਂ ਦੀ ਹੀ ਗੱਲ ਨਹੀਂ ਕਰਦੀ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਉਤਸ਼ਾਹਿਤ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲੀਆਂ ਸੰਸਥਾਵਾਂ ਤੇ ਵਿਅਕਤੀਆਂ ਦਾ ਵੀ ਜ਼ਿਕਰ ਕਰਦੀ ਹੈ। ਮੌਜੂਦਾ ਸਮੇਂ ਕੁਲਵੰਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਸੰਘਾ ਪ੍ਰਿੰਸੀਪਲ ਹਰਭਜਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਸਪੋਰਟਿੰਗ ਕਲੱਬ ਨੂੰ ਤਨੋਂ ਮਨੋਂ ਧਨੋਂ ਸਮਰਪਿਤ ਹਨ। ਜਰਨੈਲ ਸਿੰਘ, ਇੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ, ਗੁਰਦੇਵ ਸਿੰਘ ਗਿੱਲ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਦੇ ਅਰਜਨ ਐਵਾਰਡੀ ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲ ਖਿਡਾਰੀ ਹਨ। ਨਵੀਂ ਪੀੜੀ ਵਿੱਚੋਂ ਬੈਸਟ ਗੋਲਕੀਪਰ ਗੁਰਪ੍ਰੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਸੰਧੂ ਨਵੀਂ ਪਨੀਰੀ ਲਈ ਪ੍ਰੇਰਨਾ ਸਰੋਤ ਹੈ। ਗੁਰਪ੍ਰੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਸੰਧੂ ਸਮੇਤ ਅਨੇਕਾਂ ਚਮਕਦੇ ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲ ਸਿਤਾਰਿਆਂ ਬਾਰੇ ਇਸ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਵਿੱਚ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਮੁਹੱਈਆ ਕਰਵਾਈ ਗਈ ਹੈ। ਹੁਣ ਤੱਕ ਦੇ ਪ੍ਰਿੰਸੀਪਲ ਹਰਭਜਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਸਪੋਰਟਿੰਗ ਕਲੱਬ ਦੇ ਅਹੁਦੇਦਾਰਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਚਿੱਤਰਾਂ ਸਮੇਤ ਇਸ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਵਿੱਚ ਸ਼ਾਮਿਲ ਕਰਕੇ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੇ ਬਹੁਮੁੱਲੇ ਯੋਗਦਾਨ ਨੂੰ ਪਾਠਕਾਂ ਤੱਕ ਪਹੁੰਚਾਇਆ। ਬਲਜਿੰਦਰ ਮਾਨ ਦਾ ਇਹ ਕਾਰਜ ਬਹੁਤ ਸ਼ਲਾਘਾਯੋਗ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਵਿੱਚ ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲ ਖਿਡਾਰੀਆਂ ਦੇ ਨਾਲ ਨਾਲ ਹੁਣ ਤੱਕ ਕਰਵਾਏ ਗਏ ਵਿਸ਼ਵ ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲ ਕੱਪ ਦਾ ਵੇਰਵਾ ਵੀ ਸ਼ਾਮਿਲ ਕਰਕੇ ਪਾਠਕਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਬਹੁਮੁੱਲੀ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਪ੍ਰਦਾਨ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੈ। ਖਿਡਾਰੀਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਸਫਲ ਬਣਾਉਣ ਲਈ ਉਘੇ ਕੋਚ ਸਹਿਬਾਨਾਂ ਦਾ ਮਹੱਤਵਪੂਰਨ ਰੋਲ ਹੁੰਦਾ ਹੈ। ਮਰਹੂਮ ਕੋਚ ਅਲੀ ਹਸਨ ਨੇ ਆਪਣਾ ਸਾਰਾ ਜੀਵਨ ਮਾਹਿਲਪੁਰ ਦੀ ਦਰਤੀ ਨੂੰ ਸਮਰਪਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ। ਜਿੱਥੇ ਇਹ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਮਰਦ ਖਿਡਾਰੀਆਂ ਦੀ ਬਾਤ ਪਾਉਂਦੀ ਹੈ ਉੱਥੇ ਨਾਲ ਹੀ ਔਰਤ ਖਿਡਾਰੀਆਂ ਦੇ ਯੋਗਦਾਨ ਨੂੰ ਵੀ ਅੱਖੋਂ ਪਰੋਖੇ ਨਹੀਂ ਕਰਦੀ। ਮਾਧੁਰੀ ਏ ਸਿੰਘ ਅਰਜਨ ਅਵਾਰਡੀ ਤੇ ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲ ਚੈਂਪੀਅਨ ਖਿਡਾਰਨ ਮਨੀਸ਼ਾ ਮੁੰਗੋਵਾਲ ਨਾਲ ਵੀ ਜਾਣ ਪਹਿਚਾਣ ਕਰਵਾਉਂਦੀ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਵਿੱਚ ਹਰਮਜੋਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਖਾਬੜਾ, ਕੁਲਵੰਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਰਹੱਲੀ, ਅਮਰਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਸੰਧੂ, ਗਗਨਦੀਪ ਬਾਲੀ ਘਾਟੀ, ਗੁਰਵਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਨਿੱਕਾ, ਹਰਪ੍ਰੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਸਰੋਤਾ, ਅਰਸ਼ਦੀਪ ਸਿੰਘ, ਕਰਨਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ, ਬਲਵਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ, ਅਮਰਪ੍ਰੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਢੱਡਾ, ਸੁਖਦੇਵ ਸਿੰਘ ਆਦਿ ਬਾਰੇ ਵੀ ਆਮ ਪਾਠਕਾਂ ਤੱਕ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੇ ਖਿਡਾਰੀ ਜੀਵਨ ਦੇ ਪੱਖਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ।

ਡਾ. ਸਤਿੰਦਰ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਨੇ ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਰਾਮ ਅਕੈਸਾਲੈਂਸ ਐਵਾਰਡ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਕੀਤਾ। ਮੌਜੂਦਾ ਸਮੇਂ ਜਸਬੀਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਭਾਰਟਾ ਨੇ ਵੀ ਆਪਣੀਆਂ ਚੰਗੀਆਂ ਸੇਵਾਵਾਂ ਇਸ ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲ ਅਕੈਡਮੀ ਨੂੰ ਦਿੱਤੀਆਂ। ਦਲਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਬਿੱਟੂ (ਕੋਚ) ਦਾ ਸਾਰਾ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਹੀ ਖੇਡ ਜਗਤ ਨੂੰ ਸਮਰਪਿਤ ਹੈ। ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਤੋਂ ਇਲਾਵਾ ਇਕਬਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਬਾਲੀ, ਤਰਨਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਤਾਰਾ, ਪਰਮਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੁਗਨੀ, ਜੁਗਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਝੂਟੀ, ਦਰਸ਼ਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਗੋਗਾ, ਚਰਨਜੀਤ ਕੁਮਾਰ, ਹਰਦੀਪ ਗਿੱਲ, ਸੁਖਦੇਵ ਸਿੰਘ ਸੰਘਾ, ਸੂਰਜ ਭਾਨ ਹਾਂਡਾ, ਅਰਵਿੰਦਰ ਕੁਮਾਰ, ਹਰਿੰਦਰ ਸਨੀ, ਕਸ਼ਮੀਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਮਖਸੂਸਪੁਰੀ, ਰਾਧੇ ਸ਼ਾਮ ਆਦਿ ਬਾਰੇ ਵੀ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਵਿੱਚ ਚਾਨਣ ਪਾਇਆ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ। ਇਹ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਪਿਛਲੇ ਦਹਾਕਿਆ ਦੇ ਖਿਡਾਰੀਆਂ ਬਾਰੇ ਪਾਠਕਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਇਕ ਸੁਰ ਹੁੰਦੀ ਹੈ। ਅਵਤਾਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਤਾਰੀ, ਸੁਰਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਸੀਤ, ਗੁਰਟੇਕ ਸਿੰਘ, ਦਰਸ਼ਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਦਰਸ਼ਾ, ਦਵਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਘੋਗਾ, ਸੁਰਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਬੋਬੀ, ਗੁਰਮੇਜ਼ ਸਿੰਘ, ਤਸਰੇਮ ਸਿੰਘ, ਮਹਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ, ਤਕਦੀਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਇਲਾਕਾ ਪ੍ਰੇਮੀਆਂ ਲਈ ਕਿਸੇ ਪਹਿਚਾਣ ਦੇ ਮਹੁਤਾਜ਼ ਨਹੀਂ ਹਨ। ਜਿਹੜੇ ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲ ਦੇ ਰੋਸ਼ਨ ਖਿਡਾਰੀ ਹਮੇਸ਼ਾ ਲਈ ਇਸ ਦੁਨਿਆ ਤੋਂ ਰੁਖ਼ਸਤ ਹੋ ਗਏ, ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੇ ਜੀਵਨ ਸੰਘਰਸ਼ ਨੂੰ ਵੀ ਇਹ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਸਾਂਝਾਂ ਕਰਦੀ ਹੈ। ਬਲਜਿੰਦਰ ਮਾਨ ਮਾਹਿਲਪੁਰ ਦੀ ਧਰਤੀ ਤੇ ਹਮੇਸ਼ਾਂ ਕਾਰਜਸੀਲਤਾ ਨਾਲ ਕੰਮ ਕਰ ਰਹੇ ਹਨ। ਕਿਤਾਬ ਦੇ ਅਖਿਰੀ ਪੰਨਿਆਂ 'ਤੇ ਉਹਨਾਂ ਦੀਆਂ ਸਮੁੱਚੀਆਂ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤੀਆਂ ਦਾ ਵੇਰਵਾ ਅੰਕਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ। ਹਰਮਿਲਨ ਬੈਂਸ ਏਸ਼ਿਆਨ ਗੇਮਜ਼ ਵਿੱਚੋਂ ਮਾਹਿਲਪੁਰ ਦੀ ਧਰਤੀ ਲਈ ਦੇ ਸਿਲਵਰ ਮੈਡਲ ਲੈ ਕੇ ਆਈ ਹੈ। ਉਮੀਦ ਹੈ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਦਾ ਅਗਲਾ ਅਡੀਸ਼ਨ ਜਲਦੀ ਆਵੇਗਾ ਤੇ ਹਰਮਿਲਨ ਬੈਂਸ ਦੇ ਸੰਘਰਸ਼, ਮਿਹਨਤ, ਲਗਨ, ਹੌਸਲੇ, ਹਿੰਮਤ ਵੀ ਖੇਡ ਪ੍ਰੇਮੀ ਜਾਣ ਸਕਣਗੇ। ਬਲਜਿੰਦਰ ਮਾਨ ਨੇ ਇਸ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਪ੍ਰਿੰਸੀਪਲ ਹਰਭਜਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਸਪੋਰਟਿੰਗ ਕਲੱਬ, ਇਲਾਕਾ ਅਤੇ ਖਾਲਸਾ ਕਾਲਜ ਮਾਹਿਲਪੁਰ ਦੀਆਂ ਗਤੀਵਿਧੀਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਵਿਸ਼ਾਲ ਕਰਨ ਦਾ ਵਿਰਾਸਤੀ ਕਾਰਜ ਕੀਤਾ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਦੀ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਦੁਆਬੇ ਦੀਆਂ ਅੰਬੀਆਂ ਦੀ ਮਿਠਾਸ ਵਰਗੀ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਵਿੱਚੋਂ ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲ ਦੇ ਇਤਿਹਾਸ, ਤਕਨੀਕ, ਮੁਕਾਬਲੇ ਅਤੇ ਜਿੱਤ ਦੀਆਂ ਜੁਗਤਾਂ ਦਾ ਗਿਆਨ ਮਿਲਦਾ ਹੈ। ਆਉਣ ਵਾਲੇ ਫੁੱਟਬਾਲਰਾਂ ਲਈ ਇਹ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਪ੍ਰੇਰਨਾ ਸਰੋਤ ਦਾ ਕੰਮ ਕਰੇਗੀ। ਇਹ ਮੇਰਾ ਵਿਸ਼ਵਾਸ ਹੈ।

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Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Club, Mahilpur

Principal Harbhajan Singh was the first Principal of Shri Guru Gobind Singh Khalsa College, Mahilpur, who was passionate for sowing the seeds of football in the land of Mahilpur. After his heavenly departure, his students and some admirers decided to carry forward his name and vision. In 1962, Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Club was established to promote and expand football in the region, Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Club, organizes Principal Harbhajan Singh Memorial Football Tournament, a National Level Football Tournament every year. In the year 2023, the Tournament celebrated its 60th anniversary.

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Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Club, runs four football teams in the name of Parincipal Harbhajan Singh -Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Academy (College), Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Academy (Collegiate School) Principal Harbhajan Singh Training Centre 'Barian' (Sub Junior) and Principal Harbhajan Singh Training Centre 'Langeri' (Sub Junior) to promote football in this region. Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Academy (College) participates in Punjab Super League (A Division) and all registered Tournaments in Punjab. Other teams also participate in various leagues conducted by Punjab Football Association.

On the 50th Anniversary of the Tournament in 2012, the level of Tournament was elevated from the State level to the National level. The registration of this Tournament has been done with Punjab Football Association, and All India Football Federation, Delhi. In this Tournament, Clubs from various parts of India such as Bengal, Kerala, Mumbai, Jamshedpur, Pune, Rajasthan, and Delhi started participating and making it the most prestigious and rewarding tournament of India. The tournament offered double the prize money as compared to previous years, with a prize of Rupees Two Lakh for the winners and Rupees One and Half Lakh for the Runners-Up in Club Category. Under the dynamic leadership of Club's President S. Kulwant Singh Sangha (UK), with the support of local residents, club members, and organizers, the Tournament was scheduled to take place from 15th to 22nd February 2023 at Principal Harbhajan Singh Memorial Stadium, Shri Guru Gobind Singh Khalsa College, Mahilpur, commemorating its 60th edition. Similar to previous years, the Tournament featured three categories: Club, College, and Under-17 Academy, with 12, 10, and 10 teams respectively participating. The tournament was organized with the All India Football Federation in collaboration with the CRF and CMF system.

The 60th edition of this Tournament was conducted for the eight days. The following clubs participated in the Club Category: Peerless FC Kolkata, Delhi FC Delhi, Kerala FC Kerala, Rajasthan United Jaipur, Round Glass FC Mohali, Jink FC Rajasthan, and Techro Swades United Academy Una. Apart from these Clubs, Punjab Police FC Jalandhar, CRPF FC Jalandhar, Namdhari FC Bhaini Sahib, RCF FC Kapurthala, and YFC Mahilpur were also part of the tournament. In the Under-17 Academy Category, Minerva Academy Mohali, Techro Swades United Academy Una, Round Glass FC A Mohali, Namdhari FA Bhaini Sahib, Chandigarh Football Academy, Shri Dashmesh Martial Art Academy Anandpur Sahib, Football Academy Palwal, Football Academy Baddon, and JCT Academy Phagwara participated. Additionally, ten college teams from Punjab were also part of the tournament.

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Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Club, runs four football teams in the name of Parincipal Harbhajan Singh -Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Academy (College), Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Academy (Collegiate School) Principal Harbhajan Singh Training Centre 'Barian' (Sub Junior) and Principal Harbhajan Singh Training Centre 'Langeri' (Sub Junior) to promote football in this region. Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Academy (College) participates in Punjab Super League (A Division) and all registered Tournaments in Punjab. Other teams also participate in various leagues conducted by Punjab Football Association.

On the 50th Anniversary of the Tournament in 2012, the level of Tournament was elevated from the State level to the National level. The registration of this Tournament has been done with Punjab Football Association,

Message



**Lieutenant
Arashdeep Singh**

My heartfelt congratulations and sincere gratitude to Principal Harbhajan Singh Sporting Club for organizing the 61st All India Principal Harbhajan Singh Football Tournament. I would like to extend my good wishes to all the players for showing their best in the game. For success in life hard work plays a vital role and which paves the way to win. Everything is possible if you work hard with sincerity.

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History of Football

The history of football, also known as soccer in some countries, is a long and fascinating journey that spans centuries. The modern form of football has evolved over time and has deep roots in various cultures. Here is a brief overview of the history of football:

1. Ancient Origins: Football-like games have ancient origins and were played in various cultures. The Chinese game of Cuju, dating back to the 2nd and 3rd centuries BCE, is considered one of the earliest forms of football.

2. Medieval and Renaissance Europe: In medieval and Renaissance Europe, various forms of football were played in different regions, often with different rules. These early versions of the game were often chaotic and violent, with large numbers of players and a lack of standardized rules.

3. Public Schools and Universities (19th Century): In the 19th century, organized codes of football began to emerge in British public schools and universities. These codes laid the foundation for modern football. Different schools had different rules, leading to the need for standardization.

4. Establishment of Football Associations: The need for standardized rules led to the establishment of football associations. The most notable was the formation of The Football Association (FA) in England in 1863. The FA's rules became widely adopted and served as a basis for the global standardization of the game.

5. Spread of Football Worldwide: The British Empire played a significant role in spreading football globally. The game was introduced to various regions through colonial influence and trade. Local variations emerged as the sport took root in different cultures.

6. Formation of FIFA: In 1904, the Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) was founded in Paris, with the aim of overseeing international competition and promoting the sport globally. FIFA has since become the governing body for world football.

7. World Cup and Global Competitions: The FIFA World Cup, inaugurated in 1930, is one of the most prestigious and widely watched sporting events globally. It has played a crucial role in promoting international competition and unity through football.

8. Professionalization and Commercialization: The 20th century saw the professionalization and commercialization of football. Leagues and clubs around the world became more organized, and the sport gained immense popularity as a form of entertainment.

9. Technological Advancements: The latter half of the 20th century and the 21st century witnessed technological advancements in football, including the introduction of video refereeing (VAR) and improvements in equipment and playing surfaces.

10. Cultural Impact: Football has become more than just a sport; it is a global cultural phenomenon. The passion and fandom associated with the game have made it a powerful force that transcends borders and connects people from diverse backgrounds. The history of football is a dynamic and ongoing story, with the sport continuing to evolve and captivate audiences around the world.

History of Football in India

The history of football in India is marked by a rich and diverse journey, with the sport gaining popularity and evolving over the decades. Here's a brief overview of the history of football in India:

1. Introduction and Early Years (19th Century): Football was introduced to India by British soldiers and colonial administrators in the 19th century. The game initially took root in the region through the establishment of football clubs in Calcutta (now Kolkata) and other major cities.

2. Formation of Clubs and Competitions: The early 20th century saw the formation of several football clubs in India, with Mohun Bagan A.C. being one of the most prominent. In 1911, Mohun Bagan created history by winning the IFA Shield, becoming the first Indian team to defeat a British team in a major tournament.

3. Durand Cup and Other Tournaments: The Durand Cup, the tournament is the oldest existing club football tournament in Asia and fifth oldest football tournament in the world, began in 1888 and played a crucial role in the development of Indian football. The Santosh Trophy, another prestigious tournament, was introduced in 1941, showcasing regional football talent.

4. Post-Independence Era: After gaining independence in 1947, football continued to be a popular sport in India. The 1951 and 1962 Asian Games, held in Delhi and Jakarta, respectively, provided opportunities for Indian footballers to compete on the international stage.

5. Golden Era of Indian Football (1950s-1960s): The 1950s and 1960s are often referred to as the "Golden Era" of Indian football. The national team achieved success in various international competitions, including winning gold at the 1951 and 1962 Asian Games. Notably, India qualified for the 1950 FIFA World Cup but withdrew from the tournament. India's best appearance was at the 1956 Summer Olympics where its team reached the semi-finals.

6. Decline and Challenges: Despite early successes, Indian football faced challenges, including a decline in performance at the international level. Factors such as the lack of infrastructure, proper training facilities, and organization contributed to the struggles of Indian football.

7. Revival and Professionalization (2000s Onward): In the 21st century, there has been a renewed focus on revitalizing Indian football. The establishment of the Indian Super League (ISL) in 2014 has played a significant role in raising the standard of the game, attracting foreign players, and increasing viewership.

8. Improvements in Infrastructure: Efforts have been made to improve football infrastructure in India, including the development of modern stadiums and training facilities. This has contributed to the growth of grassroots football and the identification of young talent.

9. Emergence of Youth Development Programs: Various football academies and youth development programs have been initiated by clubs and football organizations to nurture young talent and provide a structured pathway for aspiring players.

10. International Recognition and Hosting Tournaments: India has gained international recognition by hosting major football tournaments, such as the FIFA U-17 World Cup in 2017. Such events have showcased India's capability to organize and host global football competitions. While Indian football has faced challenges, there is a renewed optimism for the future, with ongoing efforts to strengthen the sport at all levels and elevate its status on the global stage. The popularity of football continues to grow in India, and the nation remains a significant player in Asian football.

Interesting Facts of Football

Football, being one of the most popular and widely played sports in the world, has numerous interesting facts associated with its history, players, and events. Here are some intriguing facts about football:

- 1. Origins and Ancient Roots:** Games resembling football have ancient origins. The Chinese game of Cuju, played as early as the 2nd and 3rd centuries BCE, is considered one of the earliest forms of football.
- 2. Most Goals in a Calendar Year:** Lionel Messi set a record by scoring 91 goals in 2012, surpassing the previous record held by Gerd Muller.
- 3. Fastest Goal in World Cup History:** Hakan Şükür of Turkey scored the fastest goal in World Cup history, finding the net just 11 seconds into a match against South Korea in the 2002 World Cup.
- 4. The First World Cup:** The inaugural FIFA World Cup was held in 1930 in Uruguay, and Uruguay emerged as the first-ever World Cup champions by defeating Argentina 4-2 in the final.
- 5. Pele's Hat-Trick of World Cup Wins:** Pele is the only player to have won three FIFA World Cups. He achieved this feat with Brazil in 1958, 1962, and 1970.
- 6. The Oldest Football Club:** Sheffield Football Club, founded in 1857 in England, is recognized by both The Football Association and FIFA as the world's oldest football club.
- 7. The First Women's International Football Match:** The first recognized women's international football match took place in 1972 between England and Scotland.
- 8. Olympic Connection:** Football was included in the Summer Olympics in 1900, and it became a regular part of the Olympic program starting in 1908 for men and 1996 for women.
- 9. Largest Attendance at a Football Match:** The record for the largest attendance at a football match is estimated to be over 199,000 people during the 1950 World Cup match between Brazil and Uruguay at the Maracanã Stadium in Rio de Janeiro.
- 10. First Red and Yellow Cards:** The first red and yellow cards were used in a football match during the 1970 World Cup. English referee Ken Aston introduced the concept to help players and spectators understand a referee's decision.
- 11. Longest Football Match:** The longest football match in recorded history lasted for 36 hours and 5 minutes. It took place in Scotland in 2011 and raised funds for charity.
- 12. Most Expensive Football Transfer:** As of my last knowledge update in January 2022, the record for the most expensive football transfer is held by Neymar, who moved from Barcelona to Paris SaintGermain (PSG) for a transfer fee of €222 million in 2017.
- 13. The World Cup Trophy Was Stolen Twice** The FIFA World Cup trophy was stolen twice, in 1966 and 1983, but was recovered both times.
- 14. The World Cup Has Been Canceled Twice** The FIFA World Cup has been canceled twice, in 1942 and 1946, due to World War II.
- 15. The First International Football Match Was Played Between Scotland and England** The first-ever international football match was played between Scotland and England in 1872.
- 16. Lionel Messi Has Won the Ballon d'Or a Record 7 Times** Argentine footballer Lionel Messi has won the Ballon d'Or award 7 times, recognizing him as the best footballer in the world.
- 17. Megan Rapinoe Has Won Both the World Cup and Olympic Gold Medal** American female footballer Megan Rapinoe is among the few players who won the World Cup and Olympic Gold Medal in women's football.
- 18. Football player has been substituted 134 times, most in the Premier League** Ryan Giggs has been substituted 134 times, more than any other football player. Although he scored 109 goals throughout his Premier League journey, Giggs never achieved a hat-trick in his 632 matches, despite accomplishing 11 instances of scoring two goals (braces). Football's rich history and global appeal have contributed to a wealth of interesting and remarkable facts associated with the sport.

FIFA World Cup

1. First Edition The 1930 FIFA World Cup was the inaugural FIFA World Cup, the world championship for men's national football teams. It took place in Uruguay from 13 to 30 July 1930 and it was won by Uruguay. Uruguay defeated Argentina 4–2 in front of 68,346 people to become the first nation to win the World Cup. Total of thirteen teams were participated in this tournament.

2. Qualification The number of teams entering qualification stages has increased steadily, and in response the final tournament has also been expanded (having 16 teams until 1978, then 24 between 1982 and 1994, then 32 between 1998 and 2022, and finally 48 from 2026 onwards).

3. Continental Zones AFC - Asian Football Confederation - 47 members - founded in 1954, represents Asian nations in football. The main tournament is the AFC Asian Cup. • CAF - Confederation of African Football - 54 members + 2 associate - founded in 1957 - represents African nations in football. The main tournament is the African Cup of Nations.

- CONCACAF - Confederation of North, Central American and Caribbean Association Football - 41 members - founded in 1961 represents North American, Central American and Caribbean nations. The main tournament is the CONCACAF Gold Cup.

- CONMEBOL - Confederación Sudamericana de Fútbol - 10 members - founded in 1916 represents South American nations in football. The main tournament is the Copa América.

- OFC - Oceania Football Confederation - 11 members + 2 associate - founded in 1966 represents Oceanian nations in football. The main tournament is the OFC Nations Cup.

- UEFA - Union of European Football Associations - 55 members - founded in 1954 represents European nations in football. The main tournament is the UEFA European Championship, also known as UEFA Euro.

4. Top Goal Scorer Miroslav Klose of Germany (2002–2014) is the all-time top scorer at the World Cup with 16 goals. He broke Ronaldo of Brazil's record of 15 goals (1998–2006) during the 2014 semi-final match against Brazil. West Germany's Gerd Müller (1970–1974) is third, with 14 goals. The fourth-placed goalscorer, France's Just Fontaine, holds the record for the most goals scored in a single World Cup; all his 13 goals were scored in the 1958 tournament.

5. Players who played most World Cups Five players share the record for playing in the most World Cups, Mexico's Antonio Carbajal (1950–1966) and Rafael Márquez (2002–2018), Germany's Lothar Matthäus (1982–1998), Argentina's Lionel Messi (2006–2022), and Portugal's Cristiano Ronaldo (2006–2022) all played in five tournaments with Ronaldo also being the first and only player to score in five tournaments. Messi has played the most World Cup matches overall, with 26 appearances. Brazil's Djalma Santos (1954–1962), West Germany's Franz Beckenbauer (1966–1974), and Germany's Philipp Lahm (2006–2014) are the only players to be named to three World Cup All-Star Teams.

6. Players who won World as both Player and Coach Brazil's Mário Zagallo, West Germany's Franz Beckenbauer and France's Didier Deschamps are the only people to date to win the World Cup as both player and head coach. Zagallo won in 1958 and 1962 as a player and in 1970 as head coach. Beckenbauer won in 1974 as captain and in 1990 as head coach, and Deschamps repeated the feat in 2018, after having won in 1998 as captain. Italy's Vittorio Pozzo is the only head coach to ever win two World Cups (1934 and 1938). All World Cup-winning head coaches were natives of the country they coached to victory.

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