The Rising Stars

Dear Hi 5 Family

As we wrap up the final quarter of this academic year, we pause to reflect on the incredible journey we have taken, and the lasting impact it has had on our students. From tournaments to new opportunities for growth, the last few months have been nothing short of extraordinary.

And 2025? It's already off to a fantastic start! With new partnerships and strong focus on emerging spaces we're keep changing young lives through play with even greater momentum!

VISIT WEBSITE

What Is Hi 5 Youth Foundation?

Hi 5 Youth Foundation is a nonprofit dedicated to transforming the lives of underprivileged children through sports and education. We aim to foster positive structured, long-term basketball training, instilling teamwork, discipline, and leadership skills.

Operating in 32 centers across 8 states, we impact over 4,000 children by offering them access to professional coaches and coaching. Alongside sports, our Pathways to Success program ensures educational support, addressing life skills, career literacy, and career counselling.

Through sports and education, Hi 5 is empowering the next generation of young leaders across India.

08 STATES | **4000+** CHILDREN | **35+** CENTRES

1.0

Game Changing Partnerships

1.1

A Stadium Experience To Remember!

For 30 students from Sant Gadge Maharaj Ashram Shala, Vikhroli, this year's Diwali was more than just a festival. It was an unforgettable experience thanks to the **Sachin Tendulkar Foundation**, they had the chance to visit the Wankhede Stadium, where they not only felt the electrifying atmosphere and lasting impact of the Sachin's 10 action made the day special.

The highlight of the day was when Sachin sir joined the kids for a heartfelt conversation, sharing his journey in sports and life. A beautiful thank you to the **Sachin Tendulkar Foundation, Mr. Sachin Tendulkar**, and Hi5 for making this possible!

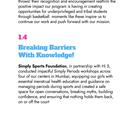
Sachin Tendulkar Foundation

1.2

Simply Sport Foundation Supports Hi 5 Students In Higher Education

Simply Sport Foundation has supported 16 of our students in pursuing their dreams of higher education. This financial aid will help them cover their college fees, buy books, and cover other educational materials, ensuring they can continue their academic journey without financial worries.

Simply Sport Foundation works to strengthen grassroots sports in India by supporting athletes, academies, and associations. Their efforts in education and athlete support are truly inspiring. A big thank you from all young people. Thank you, Simply Sport Foundation, for supporting our students and their future!



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Recognition For Our Work In Telangana!

We recently had the honor of receiving special recognition from Shri Shravanand P. Badrayani, Joint Director of the Telangana Ethnic Minority Residential Educational Institutions, for our work in Telangana and Yanaa Hub during their visit to our Ibrahimpatnam center.

they took the time to interact with our young athletes, observe their training, and even participate in a few free throws. This visit underscores the growing recognition of the positive impact our program is having on creating opportunities for underprivileged and tribal students through basketball. We extend our heartfelt thanks to the officials for their support and look forward with our mission.

1.4

Breaking Barriers With Knowledge!

Simply Sports Foundation, in partnership with Hi 5, conducted a session on Sex Education for adolescent girls at four of centers in Mumbai, equipping our girls with essential menstrual health education and guidance on navigating puberty. The session aimed to create a safe space for questions and concerns, breaking myths, building confidence, and ensuring that nothing holds them back on or off the court!

Jan 20th – Gokhale Marg BMC School, 74 students

Jan 22nd – CBSE Poonam Nagar School, 2 workshops, 27 students

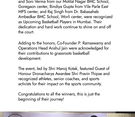
Jan 23rd – Sant Gadge Maharaj Ashram Shala, Vikhroli, 2 workshops, 27 students

Jan 24th – Vile Parle East BMC School, 49 students

1.5

Strong Partnerships Elevated The Stars Of Tata Intra Hi 5 League!

As our official food partner, **Akshaya Chatroom** ensured our U14 athletes stayed energized and game ready with nutritious lunches throughout the tournament, wholesome meal leads to a stronger game- because champions are built both on and off the court!



As the official sponsor of the U14 Intra Hi 5 League, **Vector 5** equipped our young athletes with top-quality basketball shoes, ensuring they had the grip, support, and agility to excel. Their sponsorship extended beyond footwear, providing critical support for tournament logistics, basketballs, making every dribble, pass, and shot count.

Recognizing standout performances, **Vector 5** further rewarded the Best Players with premium clothing, backpacks and jackets, celebrating their dedication and hard work. Vector 5 backing the league, our players had the best gear to step up their games, both on and off the court!

As our hydration partner, **Everest** continued to fuel the U14 Intra Hi 5 League, keeping our young athletes hydrated and game ready. With Everest by their side, stayed game-ready, pushing their limits on the court.

1.6

G2L BIZ Empowers 63 Young Athletes At Sixth Center

We are grateful to G2L BIZ, a leading Insurtech company driving digital transformation for insurers and brokers across India, for their support in our Children through our Hope through Hoops program at the Dixit Centre. Their support helps us provide quality coaching and life skills, creating meaningful opportunities for our young students.

2.0

Hope thru Hoops

2.1

Honoring Mumbai's Rising Basketball Stars

The Krida Gurukula Gorgaonne Samaraniti on March 9, 2025, hosted by Krida Vedhi Mumbai at Tilaknagar, Chembur, celebrated Mumbai's emerging sports stars and dedicated mentors.

We are proud to share that our students: Shubham Varma and Sam Verma from our Middle Finger BMC School, Goregaon center, Bridge Gupta from Vile Parle East BMC School, Vile Parle center, and Ishaan Ankushkar BMC School, Kandivali center, were recognized as Upcoming Basketball Players in Mumbai. Their dedication and hard work inspire us to strive on and off the court.

Adding to the honors, Co-Founder P. Ramaswamy and Operations Head Anitha Jain were acknowledged for their contributions to grassroots basketball development.

The event, led by Shri Manoj Kotak, featured Guest of Honour Dronacharya Awardee Shri Pravin Thapa and recognized athletes, senior coaches, and sports enthusiasts for their impact on the sports community.

Congratulations to all the winners, this is just the beginning of their journey!

2.2

A Journey of Firsts at the Jr. NSA Nationals!

From February 7-10, our under-14 Girls Dixit Center, Bridge Gupta Vile Parle East BMC, and Sam Verma Center Boys, West Bengal competed at the Jr. NSA Nationals in Delhi, experiencing not just the thrill of high-level competition but also many of their experiences firsts! Travelling to Delhi, meeting new friends, navigating the fast school learns from across India, creating an electrifying atmosphere filled with intense matches, new friendships, and unforgettable learning experiences, and unforgettable moments.

At Hi 5, basketball is more than just a game, it's a path to confidence, growth, and opportunity. This is just the beginning!

2.3

A Step Closer to the National Stage!

Our U14 Kabaddi Attended Trials From the Nizo Tiger camp! A rating great Indian Kabaddi U14 Tournament was held at Sri Chaitanya Techno School, Kothapet, Hyderabad. Our coach carefully selected the finest of selective kinds of Shiny Fingerprints! Congratulations to Kavya, Sai Teja, Sai Charan, Vishnu.

Guided by Coach Kavya, Nizo Tiger showcased skills and dedication. During the trials, earning top slots signified a significant achievement. The event not only marked the trial but also celebrated each participant's dedication and commitment to the sport. The success of our athletes underscores their hard work and training more remarkable achievements.

3.1

Team U14 Rising Stars Shine at Intra H5 League National 2025 in Hyderabad

Boys Under 14

- 01 First Place — **Mudial Mavericks**
- 02 Second Place — **Panther Jaguars**
- 03 Third Place — **Dub Dynamos**

Girls Under 14

- 01 First Place — **Mudial Mavericks**
- 02 Second Place — **Bangaraappaas**
- 03 Third Place — **Chargers Aces**

Every match was a chance to learn, improve, and enjoy the game. The tournament was filled with deep passion and deep gratitude.

3.2

Winning Moments At The Under 14 Intra H5 League, Mumbai!

The Under 14 Intra H5 League in Dahisar (W), Mumbai, was a vibrant celebration of talent and spirit, young athletes showcasing their skills, passion, and competitive spirit.

Boys Under 14

- 01 First Place — **Mudial Mavericks**
- 02 Second Place — **Dub Dynamos**
- 03 Third Place — **Vimal Hogar Spartans**

Girls Under 14

- 01 First Place — **Mudial Mavericks**
- 02 Second Place — **Bangaraappaas**
- 03 Third Place — **Pawnee Hogar Pioneers**

From boundaries to defence, middle-order, every match showed our dedication of our young athlete to special moments our capabilities for their upcoming tournaments and beyond.

The tournament was a celebration of resilience, teamwork, and the sheer joy of playing kabaddi!

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Performance Overview

3.3.1

Tournaments

	Over Age U14	Under 14 Age U14
Tournaments Participated	04	06
No. of Fixtures	08	14
Total Match	08	14
Silver Medal	01	02
Bronze Medal	01	02
Total Medals	02	04

3.3.2

Selections For 2024-25

08 Nizo Tiger Camp	03 Nizo Tiger Camp	40 Nizo Tiger Camp
127 Nizo Tiger Camp	11 Nizo Tiger Camp	

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4.1

Empowering Our Gujarat Pathways Girls

In Gujarat, our Pathways to Success students are impacting up and coming girls in underprivileged areas through sports and education.

Dipika and Jaspreet from Chandlodia are now coaching with the same program they once played with. Little Champs Chandlodia, Gujarat, Pathways to Success provides opportunities to keep programs running smoothly. Since Little Champs Chandlodia, Gujarat, Pathways to Success Center, with supervision and aged handle operations of the center, Little Champs Chandlodia, Gujarat, Pathways to Success provides a safe space for young students to prosper in all the power of opportunity.

4.2

Vasai's Tribal Students Exploring Police Careers And Education Paths

As our tribal students in Vasai-Palghar, Maharashtra, they are looking ahead with determination to further their education and careers. Many of our students have dreamed through. Through discussions and guidance sessions, our students are now exploring various paths of opportunities in education and careers. Some are considering careers in the police force, while others are enthusiastic about their future dreams.

Additionally, leaders gain from the community hold part in our tribal students' journey. Their guidance and mentorship are igniting insights into the educational process and potential careers in the police force. Our students have shown enthusiasm and curiosity about the various career opportunities.

5.0

H5 S Academy

5.1

Building The Future H5 S Basketball Academy Takes Shape

On February 11, 2025, the commencement of Hyderabad's H5 S Basketball Academy began with the Bharat Ratna, celebrated cricketer and former Indian Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

This dedicated space will provide advanced training to aspiring basketball players, emphasizing skill development, life skills, confidence, and opportunities to take their game to the next level.

Stay tuned as we bring this vision into reality!

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6.1

Saurabh Nerurudkar Inspires Young Athletes During His Visit To H 5

H5 Founder Chief Mentor Saurabh Nerurudkar, the Principal Member of National Staff of Charity, spent time with our young athletes during his recent visit.

As the H 5 office, he shared insights on discipline and dedication, motivating our athletes to pursue their Olympic aims. His encouragement underscored the value of the journey. His deep interest in H 5's programs led to meaningful conversations with our staff.

In December 2024, Saurabh also joined us at the UAE as the chief guest at the Annual Sports Dinner. He

We are grateful for his valuable inspiration. We thought to his student and team.

6.2

Committed Support Strengthens H 5's Mission

Shivali Nagar is a committed volunteer who holds with Sarvan Gill in Fetha executive, has been a steadfast supporter of our mission for several years. Her dedication to our cause has been remarkable. This commitment continued into 2025 with a generous donation.

Her support has been instrumental in enabling our programs to reach more children, fostering their confidence, discipline, and exhilarating young athletes. Her support has been a cornerstone of our journey, and her contribution has made a lasting impact on our mission.

6.3

A Visit From Equal Innovation's Team

Our Shelter Hogar centre recently welcomed Vishal Krishna, CEO of Equal Innovations, and his team. The visit was a vibrant celebration of joy, laughter, and Holiday. Kabbi, with his background in global policy development and strategic partnerships, brought a fresh perspective to our mission. The team's engagement with our students was heartwarming.

Equal Innovations has been endorsed by Fusion Tiro. Fusion's program is rooted in Indian traditional values, emphasizing discipline, and adaptability. Inspired by the energy and commitment of our students, Equal Innovations plans to the impact of our structured coaching and Holiday celebration.

A big thank you to Vishal and the team for their time and engagement!

Making a lasting difference!

In 2025, our team is in course towards making change, expanding our impact and creating opportunities for the youth we serve. We are grateful for the support of our donors and partners. Mark with continued growth, success and meaningful contribution!

Our mission remains steadfast

Changing young lives through play

Our Vision & Impact

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