

ACHIEVEMENTS OF A SPORTS PERSONALITY: ALEX VAZ

I. SPORTS QUALIFICATIONS.

1. International Certificate in Football Refereeing from FIFA -1974
2. International Certificate as Football Referee Instructor/Lect.-FIFA-1985.
3. Certificate in Football Coaching conducted by NIS through WIFA- 1962
4. Certificate in Athletic Officiating from Athletic Federation of India -1966
5. Certificate in Physical Education & Sports from Govt. of Maha- 1961.

II. INTERNATIONAL, FIFA/AFC TOURNAMENTS SUPERVISED.

- * Pre-World Cup Football Tournament in Iran to qualify for Germany-1974
- * Pre-World Cup Football Tournament in Singapore to qualify for the World Cup in Argentina -1978
- * Asian Cup Final Tournament in Tehran- Iran - 1976
- * Vth. All Arab Gulf Cup- Iraq- 1979
- * Asian Youth Football Tournament – Iran- 1973
- * Asian Youth Football Tournament at Bangkok – Thailand - 1976
- * First Afro-Asian Cup of Nations in Iran- 1977

III. PRESTIGIOUS STATE AWARDS RECEIVED

- > SHIV CHHATRAPATI STATE AWARD from Government of Maharashtra for outstanding contribution in the field of Physical Education and Sports- 1977-78. The only football official in Maharashtra.
- > SPECIAL GOA STATE AWARD from the Government of Goa in recognition of the yeoman services rendered in the field of Football and Athletics- 1986.
- > BEST TEACHER STATE AWARD from the Government of Maharashtra in recognition for all round contribution in the field of Education- 1986-87.

IV. INTERNATIONAL DISTICTIONS EARNED

- i} The only India Referee till date to be selected by FIFA to supervise two Pre-World Cup Football Tournaments in Iran-1973 and Singapore-1977.
- ii} First and the only India till date to be selected by FIFA on their Panel of Instructors/Lecturers for International Referee Courses-1985
- iii} Selected by Asian Football Confederation {AFC} as their Regional Member of the Referees Committee and also Instructor/Lecturer- 1982
- iv} First Indian to be selected as the Match Commissioner for the FIFA Pre-World Cup match between South Korea and Nepal- 1985- at Nepal

V. INTERNATIONAL REFEREE COURSES ATTENDED

- a} FIFA Coca-Cola World Development Seminar at Bangalore- 1978
- b} Asian Football Confe. {AFC} Referee Instructor Course in Malaysia-1981
- c} FIFA/AFC Referee Instructor Course in Singapore - 1984
- d} Participated in Referee Courses held in conjunction with the International Tournaments supervised by me from 1973 to 1979.

VI. INTERNATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS BY FIFA/AFC.

- # Conducted an advance Course for Referees at Baghdad -Iraq- 1982.
- # Conducted an advance Course for Referees in Hong Kong -1984
- # Chairman of Referees for Asian Youth Tournament in Singapore-1982
- # Match Commissioner for Pre-World Cup match between S. Korea/Nepal
- # Instructor/Match Commissioner at the IX Asian Games at N. Delhi-1982
- # Tech. Delegate/ Match Commissioner at the Jawaharlal Nehru Gold Cup International Tournament at Cochin-India- 1983

VII. MAJOR TOURNAMENTS SUPERVISED UNDER AIFF

- * National Championships {twice} Jallundar - 1970 & 1974
- * Federation Cup {twice} at Colmbatore -1978 and Kolkata- 1980
- * Rovers Cup-Mumbai {15 times} Final 1975 between Dempo s.c&Tata s.c
- * Third Women National Final- Goa- 1977, between Goa and W.Bengal.
- * Bandodkar Gold Trophy- Goa {refereed finals} 1969, 1975, 1977, 1979. +1.
- * Delhi Cloth Mills {DCM} Semi-International Tournament-{3 times finals}
- * Chakola Gold Trophy and G.V. Raja Memorial Trophy-Kerala- 1974
- * Services Football Championship- Mumbai-

Note: An active referee for 25 years {from 1957 to 1982}. Supervised over 4,520 official competition matches right from schools to International level all over India and World.

VIII. REFEREEING COURSES CONDUCTED UNDER AIFF

Conducted Referee Course in the following States: {a} Jammu & Kashmir -1982, {b} Kolkata- 1980, {c} New Delhi-1981 {d} Kerala -1974, {e} Goa-1980, {f} Bangalore, {g} Chennai- 1978, {h} Assam and {neighbouring States- & Mumbai {often}

IX. AUTHOR OF A FOOTBALL LAW BOOK AND SPORTS ARTICLES.

- a} Published a book on refereeing titled "Football Laws Simplified". A book for the "New Millennium" A very educative book in simple language, very useful to the football fraternity. This book was released by late Shri. Sunil Dutt, the Hon. Minister of India for Sports and Youth Affairs in 2004.
- b} Contributed columns on football refereeing and athletics in Sportstar {Chennai}, Afternoon {Mumbai}, and Nav Hind Times, Herald, Gomantak Times {Goa} and many other newspapers.
- c} In addition, I have conducted many clinics for schools, collages, and clubs to educate the players, coaches, officials and referees, to inculcate the sporting concept of "FIFA Fair Play" right from grass root level.
- d} Donated trophies, equipment, and scholarships to schools in Mumbai and Goa.

X. PLAYING AND COACHING EXPERIENCE:

- * Played: Football, Hockey, Volleyball, Table Tennis and Athletics for Loyola High School, Margao, Goa in all Inter-School competition. In Mumbai, played Football, Hockey and Athletics for Phoenix Mills Sports Club, Goan Sports Club, and Canteen Stores Dept.
- * Coached the Holy Name High School, Football and Athletic teams from 1966 to 1990 and the players and athlete won laurels for the School & State Also coached Athletic, Table Tennis and Throwball teams of the Alexandra Girls' English Institution from 1962 to 1990. Some players achieved State and National status and won laurels for the school.
- * Coached the University of Mumbai and B. Arunkumar football teams. Coaching Director for Mumbai District F.A. coaching camps for players.

XI. SERVICE RENDERED TO MAHARASHTRA STATE.

NOTE: Four Standard Chartered International Marathons and Half Marathons-Mumbai

- i} Represented as the Coach of Maharashtra Table Tennis team at the National School Games at Chennai- 1966 and Patiala-1967, and Football coach at the National School Games at Raipur-1968 and Pune in 1969.
- ii} National School Games, Football, as Referee-in-charge, Kholapur, 2001,
- iii} National Games, in Maharashtra as Football official and Convener of Ceremonies Committee- 1994
- iv} Official for 57th National Football Championship, Santosh Trophy-2001 at Mumbai.
- v} Letter appointing me as Official for the 8th. National Football League- Mumbai - 2003

STATUS IN SPORTS BODIES AND INSTITUTIONS

1. Former President, Vice-President and Treasurer of the Mumbai Schools Sports Association from 1963 to 2005, the one of the oldest Association of its kind in the world, which conducts 20 different Olympic Sports for over 350 schools in Mumbai, from the tender age of 6 to 16 years.
2. Former President of the Bombay Referees Association and the Mumbai Football Referees Association for number of years.
3. Former member of the Mumbai District Football Association for years.
4. Former member of the Football Sub-Committee and Selection Committee and member of the Apex Committee of University of Mumbai for year.
5. Former Chairman of the Disciplinary Committee of Mumbai District F. A.

Note: Former Managing Trustee, and now the present Chairman of the Goan Union Educational Trust which conducts and finances the Little Flower of Jesus High School, founded in 1924, at Chandanwadi, Mumbai, 400002. Purely a Goan managed Trust, which caters for students of all communities. For 87 years we are catering for middle class and lower income group, of all cast, creed and religion. We are a Charitable Trust looking after the down trodden students.

XIII. YEOMAN SERVICE RENDERED TO SEVERAL INSTITUTIONS

Organised and officiated the following athletic competitions, football tournaments and conducted clinics in Mumbai and Goa.

MUMBAI: a) Reserve Bank of India {b} Life Insurance Corporation of India {c} Food Corporation of India {d} Tata Sports Club {e} Y.M.C.A. {f} State Bank of India {g} Cricket Club of India {h} University of Mumbai {i} Central Government Sports Association {j} Income Tax Dept. {k} Mumbai Schools Sports Association {l} B.E.S.T {m} Mumbai Labour Welfare Board {n} Inter-Bank Sports Association {o} Mumbai City District Association {p} Maharashtra State Athletic Meet {q} All India Inter-State Athletic Championship {r} Inter Services Athletic Meet. {s} City District Athletic Meet {DSO} {t} Mantralaya Athletic Meet {u} Indian Oil Athletic Meet, {v} L & T. Meet, {w} Western Rly. Mumbai Division Meet, {x} National Championships and Inter State Athletic Meets. {y} Western India Football Association {WIFA}

GOA: 1) Goa Amateur Athletic Association meet, and Department of Sports and Youth Affairs meet and 1st, Marathon in Goa. Conducted many athletic clinics for sports teachers and athletic officials.

NOTE: I have organised, conducted and officiated over 2500 athletic and Tug-of-War competitions right from schools, collages, District, State, and National level, with utmost efficiency and fairness.

I am still very fit and active in the field of sports and make use of my expertise and God given talents.
