



ANNUAL REPORT

2022-2023

Building Champions Beyond the Field

Message from the Founder

As I reflect on the past year, I am filled with pride and gratitude for how far we have come at Future Star Sports Academy. What started in 2019 with a simple dream – to give every child a chance to play – has grown into something much bigger than we ever imagined.

This year, I have seen our children not only play but grow. They have become stronger, more confident, and more determined to chase their dreams. I have seen the shyest girls find their voices, and young boys discover the discipline that comes from working as a team. Every small step forward has been possible because of the unwavering spirit of our children, the dedication of our coaches, and the trust of families who have shared their children with us.

It is not just about sports. It is about building confidence, breaking old barriers, and giving children the tools to write their own futures. It is about showing every boy and girl that they are capable of so much more than they ever believed.

I am grateful to every partner, supporter, and friend of FSSA who has walked this journey with us. Your faith in our mission has been the wind beneath our wings.

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Warm regards,
Dibya Ranjan Das
Founder
Future Star Sports
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Objecives

- Promote sports and education among underprivileged children.
- Identify and nurture young talent in rural areas.
- Foster holistic development—physical, academic, and emotional.
- Empower girls and break gender barriers in sports.
- Build community partnerships and promote social change.

Vision

To create a world where every child and youth, regardless of their background, has the opportunity to explore and develop their unique potential in sports and education. We envision empowered rural and tribal communities where sports become a bridge to equality, health, and a brighter future.

Mission

To nurture, groom, and transform underprivileged children and youth—especially from tribal communities—into national and international players, while simultaneously supporting their academic and personal growth. Through holistic programs, quality coaching, and inclusive community partnerships, we aim to break down social barriers and build confident, skilled leaders of tomorrow.

National & International Selections

- Arati Murmu and Parbati Hansda selected for the Indian National Rugby 7s camp in Kolkata (ahead of the Asian Games).
- Represented Odisha among nine women chosen nationwide.
- Parbati and Arati also played in the U-20 Asian Rugby Championship (Uzbekistan, 2021) and U-18 South Asian matches (Nepal, 2022).
- Several FSSA athletes represented Odisha in national rugby and archery events, winning medals.
- FSSA players were part of Odisha's Women's Rugby Team that clinched the National Championship, reinforcing Odisha's dominance.



Medals & Tournaments

FSSA's teams achieved remarkable success in major competitions this year

Asmita Women's Rugby Tournament (Khelo India initiative)

- U-14 Girls: Bronze Medal
- U-18 & Senior Girls: Silver Medals
- Showcased outstanding skills and determination against national-level teams, underscoring the depth of our training program.

Local Tournaments in Mayurbhanj

- Hosted inter-village rugby matches and an archery meet in Baripada, engaging dozens of youth and local leaders.
- Introduced rugby to new audiences through introductory sessions and friendly tournaments, sparking enthusiasm among rural youth.

State-Level Selections

- 2 Girls' rugby teams qualified for the State Rugby Finals.
- 6 young archers advanced to the State-Level Khelo India Archery Meet.

Community Engagement

In 2022-23, FSSA continued to strengthen community ties through impactful initiatives:

Winter Blanket Distribution

- Provided 100+ blankets to underprivileged tribal families, easing the cold winter hardships.
- Volunteers and donors came together, fostering a spirit of service and social responsibility among our athletes.

Sports Workshops in Remote Schools

- Coaches and senior players conducted basic rugby and fitness drills for 200+ schoolchildren across remote blocks of Mayurbhanj.
- Promoted sports, health, and the importance of education in underserved communities.

Cultural and Sports Events

- Celebrated National Sports Day with friendly football matches and discussions on sports in education, engaging local youth and building enthusiasm for sports.



Partnerships & Support

Our efforts in 2022-23 were made possible by the generous support of partners and community stakeholders:

Mayurbhanj Foundation

- Provided financial assistance for equipment and operational costs, enabling us to sustain our programs and reach more children.

District Administration of Mayurbhanj

- Collector recognized our rugby champions, Arati and Parbati, during the Hockey World Cup Trophy Tour in Baripada.
- This public recognition boosted local enthusiasm for sports and put FSSA in the spotlight.

Simply Sport Foundation

- Launched the spoken English program and connected us with sports science experts.
- Coaches attended workshops on strength & conditioning, and athletes joined mental wellness sessions with a sports psychologist.

Local Partnerships

- Collaborated with the Mayurbhanj Athletic Association to co-host the district rugby sevens tournament.
- Schools like SSD Hostel coordinated schedules so our student-athletes could balance academics and sports.



Voices of Our Beneficiaries

One of the best reflections of FSSA's impact comes from the words of those we serve – our players and their families.

Here are a few testimonial snippets that capture the transformative role of the academy:

“Nobody thought a girl like me would be able to come so far and shine in rugby. I practiced hard... and now I want to stick around and keep chasing my dreams.”

– Parbati Hansda, 18-year-old FSSA trainee, now a national rugby player

“This academy not only taught my daughter how to play sports, but also how to speak English confidently. We never imagined she would get such opportunities. FSSA has truly changed her life.”

– Parent of a 16-year-old girl trainee from a tribal village (translated from Odia)

“Learning English at the academy makes it easy for us to communicate outside Odisha. We feel more confident now.”

– Parbati Hansda, sharing how education at FSSA is empowering her off the field

Impact at a Glance

- *Athletes Trained:* 30 resident athletes (20 girls, 10 boys) trained year-round on our campus, plus ~50 local youth engaged in short-term training camps.
- *Competitive Achievements:* 2 athletes in national Team India camps; 15 athletes represented Odisha state teams; Total of 5 medals won in major competitions (including 1 Gold at National level by team Odisha with FSSA players, 2 Silvers and 2 Bronzes in various age categories at Khelo India and state championships).
- *Events Organized:* 3 community sports events conducted (2 rugby tournaments and 1 archery meet) with participation of 200+ youngsters from rural Odisha.
- *Education & Workshops:* 40+ English and tutoring sessions held; 4 life-skills and health workshops for all trainees. Average school grade improvement of trainees this year: 15%.
- *Community Outreach:* 100+ families benefited from our charity drives (blankets, food kits, school supplies); 5 awareness sessions in villages promoting girls' education and sports.
- *Infrastructure Growth:* Added 1 new practice ground in a nearby village; library expanded with 100 new books (many donated by supporters).
- *Staff and Volunteers:* 5 full-time coaches (including 2 former national players), 3 teachers/tutors, and over a dozen volunteers contributed to our programs this year.

Way Forward

As we consolidate the gains of 2022-23, FSSA is planning for the future. In the coming year, we aim to expand our academy's capacity to 50+ full-time trainees, including starting a new training center in a neighboring block of Mayurbhanj to reach more youth. We will be introducing new sports (like football) into our curriculum and strengthening our academic tutoring program with digital learning tools. Fundraising for a small gymnasium and more sports equipment is underway, and we are optimistic about new partnerships to support this growth. The vision is to produce champions who are as strong in character and intellect as they are in athletics. With the continued support of our well-wishers, we are confident of creating an even greater impact in 2023-24 and beyond.

Acknowledgement

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Thank You

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