



ANNUAL REPORT

2023-2024

Building Champions Beyond the Field

Message from the Founder

“As I reflect on the year 2023–2024, I feel immense pride in the journey we’ve undertaken together. This was a year of remarkable growth, resilience, and new beginnings for our children and our community.

From the dusty grounds of Mayurbhanj to national tournaments across India, our young athletes have shown that talent can come from anywhere—and that dreams don’t have boundaries. Watching our girls triumph at the Delhi 7s Tournament and seeing our players don the Odisha jersey at the National Games fills my heart with pride.

But beyond medals and matches, what moves me most is the transformation I witness every day: a shy girl speaking English with confidence, a child who once feared the classroom now tackling studies and sports head-on. These small moments of growth remind me why FSSA exists.

Of course, the year was not without challenges—limited resources, balancing studies with training, and the ever-present barriers faced by tribal communities. Yet, our children have met every challenge with determination, and that’s a testament to their spirit and to the unwavering support from our partners, the community, and our dedicated team.

I want to thank each one of you—our supporters, friends, and well-wishers—who have stood by us and believed in our vision. Let’s continue to dream bigger, to build stronger, and to create a future where every child in Mayurbhanj and beyond knows that they, too, can be a champion.”

Warm regards,
Dibya Ranjan Das
Founder
Future Star Sports
Academy(FSSA)



A photograph showing a group of approximately ten young people, mostly boys, standing in a row outdoors. They are all wearing matching red and blue tracksuits with white stripes on the sleeves and pants. They appear to be at a sports facility or school. In the background, there's a building with multiple windows and some greenery.

Objecives

- Provide holistic sports training and education to underprivileged youth in Mayurbhanj.
- Identify and nurture emerging talent in rugby, archery, swimming, and athletics.
- Empower girls through sports and promote gender equality.
- Strengthen academic support, language training, and life skills programs.
- Deepen community engagement and foster social change through sports.

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.

Sporting Triumphs

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.



A. Sporting Triumphs



Rugby



Athletic & Swimming



Archery

Rugby

- FSSA girls dominated the Delhi 7s Tournament, emerging as champions, with Sandhyarani Tudu recognized as the Best Player of the Tournament.
- Three girls—Parbati Hansdah, Sandhyarani Tudu, and Sunita Handah—played for Odisha's winning women's rugby team at the 37th National Games in Goa, where the team clinched the Gold.
- Our boys and girls represented Mayurbhanj district in state-level rugby competitions, consistently securing top positions and raising the district's profile in the sport.



Athletic and swimming

- Our players participated in district and state-level athletic competitions, excelling in running, jumping, and team relay events.
- Three swimmers—Shrikant, Rati, and Sana—won a total of 13 medals (3 Gold, 4 Silver, 6 Bronze) in the first-ever District Swimming Competition.



Archery:

Five archers represented Mayurbhanj at the SGFI State Archery Championship in Sundargarh, with two advancing to represent Odisha at the national level—a testament to their dedication and the academy's training efforts.



Community Development Initiatives

Humanitarian Support:

- FSSA's water distribution service in April 2023 helped villagers beat the scorching summer heat, highlighting our commitment beyond sports.
- In June 2023, after learning of a family in **Rugby Khatupada village** struggling with illness and poverty, the academy mobilized resources to provide urgent food and supplies.

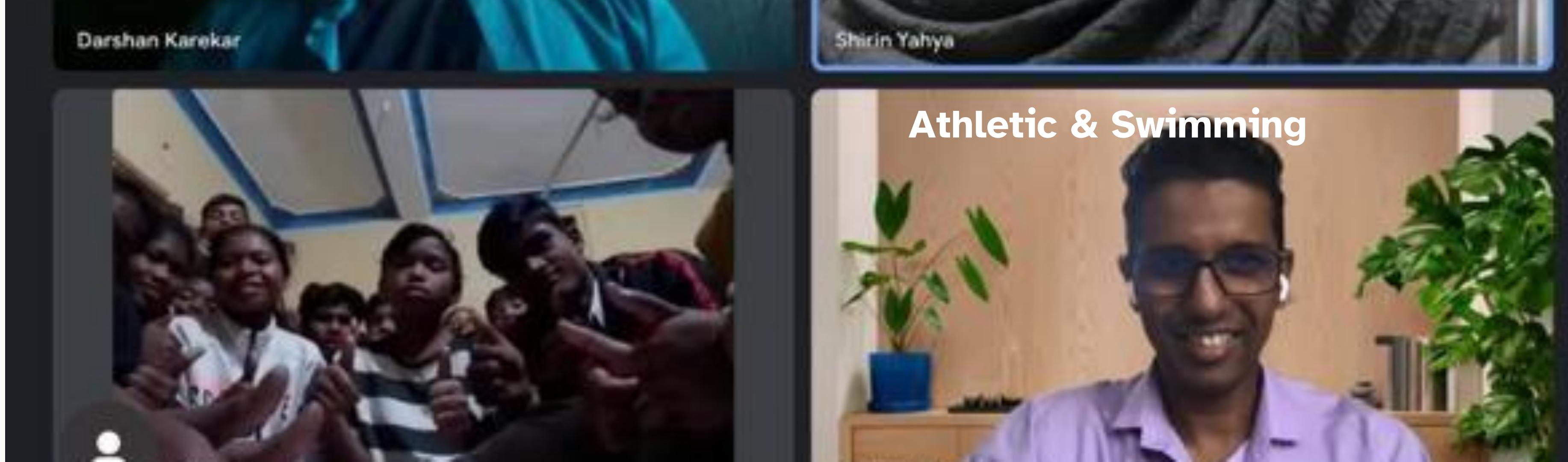
Cultural & Social Engagement:

- Celebrated National Sports Day with activities ranging from archery to rugby, involving children from nearby schools and community leaders.
- Observed Independence Day and **Athletic & Swimming International Day of World Indigenous People**, where our athletes and founder were recognized for their contributions to the district's sports culture

Education & Language Training

- With support from Simply Sport Foundation, FSSA expanded its “Speak English with Confidence” program, boosting the communication skills of our athletes.
- Evening classes continued alongside practice sessions, ensuring academic progress was not left behind. As one athlete said, *“I used to be shy, but now I can share my story in English. This academy has given me a voice.”*

Cultural & Social Engagement:



Partnerships & Support

Our efforts in 2023-24 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 Hostels coordinated schedules so our student-athletes could balance academics and sports.



Impact at a Glance

Total athletes trained: 50+ (including 30 resident athletes and 20 local youth in outreach programs).

Competitive success:

- *3 Gold, 4 Silver, and 6 Bronze medals in swimming.*
- *Gold medals in the 37th National Games (Odisha Women's Rugby team with FSSA players).*
- *Champions at the Delhi 7s Rugby Tournament.*
- *Community reach: Over 300 youth engaged in sports workshops and health camps.*
- *Educational growth: 40+ English and life skills sessions held; 12% average improvement in school scores.*
- *Community initiatives: 2 major humanitarian outreach activities (water distribution and emergency support).*
- *New initiatives: Launched first District Rugby and Archery Festival and expanded swimming training modules*

Way Forward

- **Expand Capacity:** Increase residential trainee capacity from 30 to 50 children, including new recruits from tribal areas.
- **Diversify Sports:** Add structured football and athletics programs to complement rugby and archery.
- **Build Infrastructure:** Seek funding for a small gymnasium to support fitness and injury prevention.
- **Digital Learning:** Introduce digital resources and e-learning modules for children's academics.
- **Community Outreach:** Organize more village sports camps to reach 500+ children in remote areas.
- **International Goal:** Improve training module and intensity and focus on athlete participation in international level.

Acknowledgement

- Simply Sport Foundation for unwavering support and resources.
- Mayurbhanj Foundation for financial backing that keeps our programs running.
- Mayurbhanj District Administration for recognizing and celebrating our children's success stories.
- Parents and communities who trust us with their children and champion our mission.
- Our dedicated coaches, teachers, and volunteers—the true champions behind the scenes.



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Thank You

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