



## GENERAL BRIEF & PROSPECTUS

### 58<sup>TH</sup> SUBROTO CUP INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT 2017 (Estd. 1960)

1. **Introduction:** The idea of having a junior football tournament was first conceived in 1958 by (Late) Air Marshal Subroto Mukerjee, a keen soccer lover whilst he was the Chief of the Air Staff. According to him, football needed to be encouraged at grass root level in order to realise the growth of the game in the country. His concept first took shape when Subroto Mukerjee Sports Education Society was formed in 1960 after his untimely demise in Tokyo. The first tournament was also played the same year. At the time of the inauguration of the tournament, the then Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, while offering condolence to this great visionary suggested that the tournament be named after the late Air Marshal. Thus, started Subroto Mukerjee Cup Football Tournament open to school teams only.
2. **About Subroto Cup:** Preliminary inter school tournaments take place in every state and union territory of India. The tournaments start at the sub-division, district and division level, while the inter school finals are held at the state level. The school teams that win the state level interschool championship qualifies to participate in the main Subroto Cup Football Tournament at Delhi. The Sub-Junior (11 to 14 years) category was started in the year 1998, on the request of the School Games Federation of India. Starting from a meagre 50 school teams, participating in the preliminary inter school championships, held in various states in 1960, today, as many as 32000 schools, nationwide, vie with each other to participate in the main Subroto Cup International Football Tournament, held at Delhi. This spurt in participation is indicating of the enthusiasm that has been generated at the school level. There is no game saying that no other organisation in the country has succeeded in broad basing participation in football at such a massive scale. It is the only tournament of its kind, not only in this country, but also in the entire soccer world.
3. **Participation of foreign teams:** Champion school teams from foreign countries are also invited every year to participate in this prestigious tournament. Teams from Sweden, Brazil, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Switzerland, Uzbekistan, Afghanistan, Israel, UAE, Bhutan, Malaysia, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Indonesia, Oman and Nepal have participated in the tournament down the years. This provides a platform for younger soccer enthusiasts from different countries to get an international exposure at a very young age.
4. **Contribution to National Squad:** Subroto Cup has created many international players like, Baichung Bhutia, Robin Singh, Bruno Coutinho, Shyam Thapa, Parimal Dey, Victor Amal Raj, Harjinder Singh, VP Sathyan, Shyamal Banerjee, Uttam Rai, Jackey Chand Singh etc.
5. **Categories:** Subroto Cup is being conducted in three age categories viz. Sub-Junior Boys (U-14), Junior Girls (U-17) and Junior Boys (U-17).
6. **Dates of the Tournament :** The Subroto Cup International Football Tournament is generally held in the months of September - October at New Delhi..
7. **Eligibility and Composition of Teams.** The school team/club teams consisting of school children, studying in a same school, in the concerned age categories are eligible to participate in the tournament. The cut-off age would be intimated to the teams in the prospectus issue every year. Team composition should be restricted to 16 Players, 01 Manager and 01 Coach only

8. **Entries:** Teams are to send written confirmation to the organising committee at least one month in advance from the date of Commencement of the tournament. The entry form provided in the prospectus should be submitted at the time of arrival in New Delhi.

9. **Medical Examination to Determine Age:** All the participating players would be subjected to a medical examination under the Organising Committee's arrangements for determining the correct age. The findings of the medical examination shall be binding. 'NO' appeal against the decision of the medical board shall be entertained. Players would have to undergo an X-ray examination in this regard, if required. Only teams who are willing to undergo medical examination should send in their entries. **In case four or more players in a particular team are found over aged, the team will not be permitted to participate in the tournament.**

10. **Format of the Games:** The tournament shall be conducted on 'League/ Knock-out' system and shall be played in accordance with the laws and rules relating to FIFA as accepted and interpreted by the All India Football Federation.

11. **Duration of the Game:** The duration of the game shall be **35 minutes each half for Junior Boys U-17, 30 minutes each half for Junior Girls U-17 and 25 minutes each half for Sub-junior Boys U-14 respectively** with an interval of 10 minutes. In the event of a draw, extra time of 7 minutes each half with a one minute interval shall be played at the discretion of the Organising Committee. If a match remains undecided after extra time, Kicks from the Penalty Mark would be enforced. Winners, Loser and Draw teams of each match in league stage would be awarded with 3, 0 & 1 points respectively.

12. **Boarding and Lodging:** Boarding and lodging would be provided by the Organising Committee starting from two days prior to the first match of respective team to one day after their last match and the rates would be as per the Prospectus of 2017 edition. Boarding and lodging arrangements are strictly restricted to 16 players and two officials only. All foreign teams would be provided with 3 Star accommodation on twin sharing basis. In-case of additional/ higher accommodation, the expenditure has to be borne by the team.

13. **Travel and Transport Facilities:** The travel expenses of the team to New Delhi and back to their respective places has to be borne by the team itself. The Organising Committee shall arrange pick up and drop facility for all participating teams from Airport. Transport shall also be provided by the Organising Committee on match days.

14. **Cash Awards:**

<b>Awards</b>	<b>Junior Boys (U-17)</b>	<b>Junior Girls (U-17)</b>	<b>Sub-junior Boys (U-14)</b>
Winners	₹ 3,50,000.00	₹ 3,50,000.00	₹ 2,50,000.00
Runners Up	₹ 2,00,000.00	₹ 2,00,000.00	₹ 1,25,000.00
Semi Finalists	₹ 75,000.00	₹ 75,000.00	₹ 50,000.00
Quarter Finalists	₹ 40,000.00	₹ 40,000.00	₹ 25,000.00
Fair Play	₹ 50,000.00	₹ 50,000.00	₹ 50,000.00
Best Player	₹ 40,000.00	₹ 40,000.00	₹ 40,000.00
Best Goal Keeper	₹ 40,000.00	₹ 40,000.00	₹ 40,000.00
Best Coach	₹ 40,000.00	₹ 40,000.00	₹ 40,000.00