July 2024 - September 2024
QUARTER 4

The Rising Stars

Dear Hi 5 Community

As we tip off a fresh academic year, we're filled with excitement and optimism for the incredible journey ahead.

Your dedication has brought us here, creating a space where sports and education combine to build brighter futures.

Together, we're not just a team, but a community that uplifts and inspires young minds every day.

Thank you for your continued passion and support. Let's embrace this new chapter with enthusiasm, ready to celebrate new milestones and create unforgettable memories, let's 'Change young lives thru play'!

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What Is Hi 5 Youth Foundation?

Hi 5 Youth Foundation is a non-profit dedicated to transforming the lives of underprivileged children through basketball.

Our Hope Thru Hoops program provides structured, long-term basketball training, instilling teamwork, discipline, and leadership skills.

Operating in 35 centres across 8 states, we impact over 4,000 children by offering them access to professional courts and coaching.

Alongside sports, our Pathways to Success program ensures educational support, providing ESL classes, computer literacy, and career counselling. Through sports and education, Hi 5 is empowering the next generation of young leaders across India.

This Quarter Was An Absolute Three-Pointer!

- **Slam Dunk Partnership with Vector X - a Leading Equipment Brand**
- **Grand Opening Cheers in Aalo, Arunachal Pradesh**
- **Tournament Triumphs**
- **Celebrating One Year of Transformation at Pragati**
- **Volunteers in Action Bringing Energy and Impact**

1.0

Our Flagship Program

Hope thru Hoops

1.1 Vector X Becomes Our Official Equipment And Footwear Partner!

We're proud to share that a new chapter is beginning for our basketball programs with the announcement of a three-year sponsorship agreement with Vector X, a leading sports equipment brand. This partnership will enhance our basketball programs by providing top-quality shoes and basketballs to young athletes, empowering our Intra Hi 5 League.

As our Official Equipment & Footwear Partner, Vector X will supply Supreme basketballs and Dunk 2.0 shoes at nominal rates, ensuring our programs have high-quality gear for better training and promoting sports excellence among youth.

They will also sponsor additional equipment for the Intra Hi 5 League.

A big thanks to Vector X for supporting our students on and off the court! We look forward to the positive impact on our young athletes' training and development.

Stay tuned for more updates on this exciting journey!

1.2 Academic Year Starts Off With Excitement And Energy

The new academic year kicked off with excitement as we welcomed returning students from eight states, eager for another year of growth.

Our coaches and managers ensured everything was ready, from forms to the much-anticipated jersey and shoe distributions. We celebrated our returning kids and welcomed new ones during beginner trials.

Recent Parent-Teacher Meetings strengthened family connections, ensuring each child receives support. With tournaments on the horizon, teamwork is in full swing, and we look forward to a year filled with learning, sportsmanship, and unforgettable memories!

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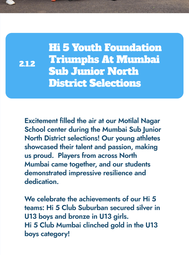
News From Every Region

2.1 Maharashtra

2.1.1 Celebrating Teamwork And Resilience At The DSO Taluka Level

The DSO Taluka Level tournament is a highlight event for our students, giving them a platform to display their athletic prowess and competitive spirit. This year's competition was particularly memorable as our young athletes stood out, showcasing not only their skills but also remarkable teamwork, resilience, and dedication.

The tournament saw participation from various schools in the Taluka, with teams competing fiercely in multiple categories. Despite facing tough opposition, our students performed admirably, earning commendable positions across various events.



Each victory and every match played was a testament to the hard work put in by both the students and their coaches. Their performance has set a high bar for the future, inspiring others to strive for excellence both on and off the field.

We eagerly look forward to seeing more of our students excel in upcoming competitions and build on this year's success.

2.1.2 Hi 5 Youth Foundation Triumphs At Mumbai Sub Junior North District Selections

Excitement filled the air at our Motilal Nagar School center during the Mumbai Sub Junior North District selections! Our young athletes showcased their talent and passion, making us proud. Players from across North Mumbai came together, and our students demonstrated impressive resilience and dedication.

We celebrate the achievements of our Hi 5 teams: Hi 5 Club Suburban secured silver in U13 boys and bronze in U13 girls.
Hi 5 Club Mumbai clinched gold in the U13 boys category!

A special thank you to The Greater Mumbai North District Association for their incredible support. Your collaboration is essential for nurturing young talent and elevating grassroots basketball. This success reflects our mission of empowering youth through the sport we love. Here's to more victories and continued growth!

2.2 Gujarat

2.2.1 Students Sweep The Competition At Gujarat SGFI Tournament

We are over the moon to celebrate our district's spectacular performance at the Gujarat SGFI Tournament conducted at Uttar Buniyadi Vidyalay School. Our teams unleashed their incredible talent and determination, taking down all nine rival schools and leaving a trail of victories in their wake.

A big round of applause for Radha Anupam Primary School, who dribbled their way to victory in both the Under 14 Boys and Girls categories, while Nandi Pay Center School showed impressive grit as the runners-up in the Under 14 Girls category. Uttar Buniyadi Vidyalay didn't just play; they dominated, claiming championships in the Under 17 Boys, Under 17 Girls, Under 19 Boys, and Under 19 Girls categories.

These victories shine a spotlight on the dedication, teamwork, and dreams of our young athletes. A heartfelt thank you goes out to the Sachin Tendulkar Foundation for their unwavering support, which has been the wind beneath our wings. As we celebrate these fantastic achievements, we're excited for a future packed with even more wins and inspiring stories.

2.3 Madhya Pradesh

2.3.1 Sandalpur Court Ignites Team Spirit & Renewed Passion For Play

The completion of our court at Bhagini Nivedita Vidyapeeth in Sandalpur in Madhya Pradesh this summer marks a significant milestone for our students and the community.

The new court has become a source of motivation, inspiring not only current participants but also those who had previously dropped out to consider rejoining. The excitement surrounding this facility is palpable, as students recognise the opportunities it brings and the larger picture of growth and development through sports.

In an impressive display of initiative, the students have organized themselves into teams A, B, C, and D. Every Sunday, they participate in practice tournaments, fostering a spirit of camaraderie and teamwork. Senior students step up as coaches, guiding their younger peers and reinforcing leadership skills. This vibrant environment not only enhances their athletic abilities but also cultivates important life skills, demonstrating the transformative power of play in shaping young lives.

2.3.2 Empowering Girls Through Basketball At Bhagini Nivedita Vidyapeeth

We are excited to share a milestone from our Sandalpur center at Bhagini Nivedita Vidyapeeth, where girls have recently started joining the school. The school now proudly serves around 240 girls, creating new opportunities for them to thrive both in the classroom and on the court.

After our basketball selection process, an impressive 74 girls have shown their passion and talent for the sport. This growing interest in basketball is not just a win for the game but a step towards empowering these young girls through sports. We are thrilled to witness this new wave of enthusiasm and look forward to supporting their journey as they grow in confidence and skill.

Here's to building brighter futures for these young athletes, one game at a time!

2.4 Arunachal Pradesh

2.4.1 A New Chapter For Basketball In Arunachal Pradesh As Our Court Officially Opens

Excitement was in the air on September 14th as we celebrated the grand opening of the Hi 5 court in Aalo in Arunachal Pradesh with a memorable ceremony. Swami Yogishwarananda Maharaj, the school's secretary, honored us by cutting the ribbon, marking a new chapter for our basketball community.The event featured an impressive Basketball Skill Challenge with both boys and girls participating. The highlight was a thrilling match between students from Std 8 and 9, who had competed in the Itanagar Tournament.

With around 90 parents in attendance, the community showed strong support, cheering on their children and backing the Hi 5 program. Our coaches delivered heartfelt speeches, sharing their gratitude and excitement for the future of basketball in Aalo.

A huge thank you to the Sachin Tendulkar Foundation for their incredible support in making this court a reality. This momentous event symbolizes a bright future for young athletes and strengthens the bond between Hi 5, the students, and their families.

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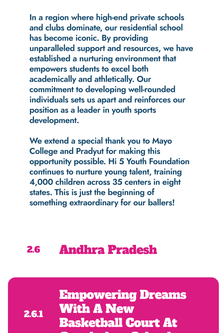
2.5 West Bengal

2.5.1 Parivaar Centre Shines At Mayo Tournament And Redefines Youth Sports In Kolkata

Our Parivaar Centres recently achieved a remarkable milestone by participating in the prestigious Mayo Tournament at Mayo College in Ajmer.

Competing among the best young talents from across India, this tournament offered our students a platform to showcase their skills on a grand stage. While we didn't bring home a medal, our students demonstrated incredible resilience and heart, standing strong against fierce competition.

This experience reaffirmed that every setback is a stepping stone toward future success, and we are immensely proud of their journey and growth.



In a region where high-end private schools and clubs dominate, our residential school has become iconic. By providing unparalleled support and resources, we have established a nurturing environment that empowers students to excel both academically and athletically. Our commitment to developing well-rounded individuals sets us apart and reinforces our position as a leader in youth sports development.

We extend a special thank you to Mayo College and Pradyat for making this opportunity possible. Hi 5 Youth Foundation continues to nurture young talent, training 4,000 children across 35 centers in eight states. This is just the beginning of something extraordinary for our ballers!

2.6 Andhra Pradesh

2.6.1 Empowering Dreams With A New Basketball Court At Gurukulam School

In a remarkable leap towards empowering young athletes, we are proud to announce the completion of a brand-new basketball court at Gurukulam School, a dedicated girls' school that is home to 143 aspiring athletes. This state-of-the-art facility, built with the generous support of the Sachin Tendulkar Foundation, transforms the campus into a vibrant hub for girls' sports.

Supported by the Andhra Pradesh Basketball Association, Gurukulam is not just an educational institution; now it's a place where dreams take flight and champions are made. This new court will foster teamwork, discipline, and resilience, providing our young athletes with the tools they need to thrive both on and off the court.

As these young girls step onto the court, we can't wait to witness their growth and accomplishments. Stay tuned for more inspiring updates on their journey.

2.7 Tamil Nadu

2.7.1 Sevalaya Students Embrace The Spirit Of Competition

Our Sevalaya students have been actively participating in various tournaments, showcasing their passion, teamwork, and dedication. From the AKG Public School Tournament to the DAV Krida and Thiruvallur Zonal Sports, our students stepped onto the court with confidence and heart.

Their journey didn't stop there. They took part in the SMT Manila Inter School Tournament and La Chatelaine Tournament, where both boys and girls teams gave their best, embracing every challenge with enthusiasm.

We are incredibly proud of their participation, as each experience is a step toward growth and self-discovery. Their commitment to the game and their sportsmanship continue to inspire us all!

2.7.2 Sevalaya Supports Hi 5 Basketball Students

Sevalaya School in Tamil Nadu has long ensured that Hi 5 students from grades 3rd to 10th can focus on basketball without disrupting other sections. By having a dedicated section, practices and tournaments run smoothly, allowing students to train without any interruptions.

Under the guidance of Physical Director Sankarapandian, Sevalaya fully supports both academics and sports. Many students from the school, including those in the basketball program, have earned scholarships into colleges thanks to their sports achievements.

This initiative encourages students to excel on the court while staying committed to their studies, opening up new opportunities for their future.

We are proud to partner with a school that recognizes the value of sports in shaping bright academic and athletic futures.

2.8 Telangana

2.8.1 Sessions Kick Off With Enthusiasm At Telangana Centers

Despite the sweltering summer heat followed by heavy rains, nothing could dampen the spirit at our Telangana centers! While the summer camp had to be postponed, the excitement and energy were unstoppable once schools resumed. Hi 5 practices kicked off with a bang, with students eagerly returning to the court, ready to dive back into training.

The determination and enthusiasm of our young athletes have been truly inspiring. As they sharpen their skills and embrace the new academic year, we look forward to seeing their growth, both on and off the court. The resilience of our Telangana teams shows that no challenge is too big when you're passionate about the game!

Here's to a fantastic season ahead, filled with hard work, teamwork, and plenty of wins!

2.9 Tournaments

Hi 5 students exhibited their athletic prowess across a multitude of tournaments nationwide, including Jr NBA Nationals, SFA Mumbai, and the Khelo India Women's League. Their commendable achievements underscore their dedication and talent, representing the spirit of Hi 5. Here's to celebrating these victories and anticipating more memorable moments ahead!

2.9.1 Performance Overview

	Performance (July - September 2024)	Performance (January - September 2024)
No of Tournaments played	23	23
No. of Podiums	38	74
Gold Medal	26	44
Silver Medal	10	26
Bronze Medal	2	4
Semi-Finalist	9	21

Some Major Tournaments Across States

Mumbai Sub Junior North District Tournament

State:
Maharashtra

Categories:
Hi5 Club Suburban U13 Girls and Boys,
Hi5 Club Mumbai U13 Girls and Boys

Results:
Runners up, Hi5 Club Suburban U13 Boys
3rd place, Hi5 Club Suburban U13 Girls
Winners, Hi5 Club Mumbai U13 Boys
4th place, Hi5 Club Mumbai U13 Girls

SGFI

State:
Gujarat

Categories:
Uttar Bunyadi - U14 Girls, U17 & U19 Boys & Girls
Radka - U14 Boys & Girls
Pay center - U14 Boys & Girls

Results:
Winners, Uttar Bunyadi - U14 Boys,
U17 & U19 Boys & Girls
Winners, Radka - U14 Boys & Girls
Runners Up, Pay Centre - U14 Girls

HNGU North Gujarat University Tournament

State:
Gujarat

Categories:
Uttar Bunyadi - Opens Womens

Results:
Winners, Uttar Bunyadi - Opens Women

Thiruvallur Zonal Sports

State:
Tamil Nadu

Categories:
Sevalaya - U14, U17, U19 Boys & Girls

Results:
Winner, Sevalaya-U14 Boys and Girls
Winner, Sevalaya-U17 Boys and Girls
Winner, Sevalaya-U19 Boys and Girls

West Bengal Basketball Association Junior League

State:
West bengal

Categories:
Parivaar - U18 Boys & Girls

Results:
Winner,Parivaar - U18 Girls
4th place, Parivaar - U18 Boys

Samsidh Camford Champions League

State:
Andhra Pradesh

Categories:
Government High School - U15 Boys & Girls

Results:
Winners, U15 Boys & Girls - U15 Boys
Runners Up, U15 Boys & Girls - U15 Girls

1.5.2 Celebrating SGFI State Selections

We are excited to announce the remarkable achievements of our students in the SGFI State selections, marking the first selections in Madhya Pradesh since the inception of the center. Their hard work, determination, and passion for the game have earned them a place on the state teams, showcasing the growth of our basketball program.

Here's a breakdown of representation across our centers:

State	District	Number Of Students
Madhya Pradesh	Ujjain	2
Telangana	Kamareddy	13
Telangana	Medchal	1
Telangana	Sangareddy	8
Telangana	Mahabubnagar	4
West Bengal	24 South Parganas	24

The representation from Telangana demonstrates the spirit and dedication of our young athletes in the region, highlighting their determination to excel and make their mark. Similarly, the outstanding performance from West Bengal reflects the rich talent and commitment of students, showcasing their passion for basketball. These selections are a testament to the invaluable support of our coaches, staff, and community. Let's cheer on our rising stars as they aim for greatness at the state level!

3.0

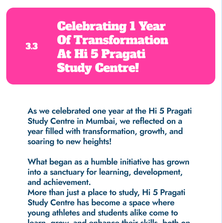
Pathways to Success

3.1 Celebrating The Graduation Of 8 Tribal Students From Vajreshwari Centre

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." – Nelson Mandela

We are beyond overjoyed to announce that eight tribal students from our Vajreshwari centre have successfully completed their undergraduate degrees. This remarkable milestone marks the second batch from their communities to achieve higher education, and we couldn't be prouder.

Their achievement is more than a personal triumph; it sets a powerful example for future generations in their communities. These graduates are proving that with dedication and support, barriers can be overcome and dreams realized.



3.2 Celebrating 100% College Admissions For Hi 5 Students!

We are thrilled to share that 59 of our Municipal school and tribal students have successfully secured spots in junior colleges after completing their 10th grade!

A big round of applause for these hardworking students, including 46 BMC students and 13 tribal students, who are now ready to take on their next academic adventure.

Here's the breakdown: Among the Municipal school students, 78.26% chose the Commerce stream, while others explored Science, vocational courses, and even the Arts! Our tribal students followed suit, with 11 opting for Commerce and 2 going for Science steam and Vocational courses. And the best part? We achieved 100% admission success—every student found their place!

That's not all, 53 of our students who completed their 12th grade are now officially college-bound, with most diving into Commerce and Finance related courses. Another 100% success rate to celebrate!

A huge thank you goes out to Arpan from our Hi 5 team for his incredible support, and to all the managers who guided these students every step of the way. Your commitment has made this amazing achievement possible!

Here's to more milestones, more success, and even bigger dreams!

3.3 Celebrating 1 Year Of Transformation At Hi 5 Pragati Study Centre!

As we celebrated one year at the Hi 5 Pragati Study Centre in Mumbai, we reflected on a year filled with transformation, growth, and soaring to new heights!

What began as a humble initiative has grown into a sanctuary for learning, development, and achievement.

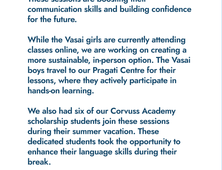
More than just a place to study, Hi 5 Pragati Study Centre has become a space where young athletes and students alike come to learn, grow, and enhance their skills, both on and off the court.

It has been a year of breaking boundaries, achieving milestones, and empowering individuals to fly towards their dreams.

This incredible journey would not have been possible without the unwavering support of our community, coaches, and students.

Here's to another year of creating change, building futures, and reaching new milestones!

We look forward to many more years of transformation and success at the Pragati Study Centre!



3.4 Empowering Students With ESL Classes

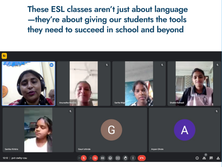
To help our students excel, we've been running ESL (English as a Second Language) classes for our 11th and 12th graders from Vasai and Motilal Nagar BMC School.

These sessions are boosting their communication skills and building confidence for the future.

While the Vasai girls are currently attending classes online, we are working on creating a more sustainable, in-person option. The Vasai boys travel to our Pragati Centre for their lessons, where they actively participate in hands-on learning.

We also had six of our Corvuss Academy scholarship students join these sessions during their summer vacation. These dedicated students took the opportunity to enhance their language skills during their break.

These ESL classes aren't just about language—they're about giving our students the tools they need to succeed in school and beyond



3.5 Elevating Interns Skills With Computer Courses

At Hi 5 Youth Foundation, we enhance our internship experience by offering a free computer course to all interns. This initiative equips students with essential digital skills, making them more competitive in the job market.

So far, 79 students have participated in this program, which covers vital topics such as Basic computer literacy, Microsoft Office Suite, Internet research skills, Email communication, Introduction to coding

By integrating this course into our internship program, we ensure that our interns gain not only practical experience but also the digital proficiency necessary for future careers.

The positive feedback from past participants highlights the value of this initiative in preparing them for success. We remain committed to empowering the next generation through skill development and hands - on training.

4.0

Hi5 Youth Foundation-USA

4.1 Hi 5 At Sevathon: A Day Of Community, Fitness, And Fun!

We are excited to share that the Sevathon event was a huge success! With 50 runners from the Hi 5 community participating, it was a wonderful day filled with energy, fitness, and togetherness. Everyone had a fantastic time engaging with the broader community while promoting health and wellness.

A special shoutout goes to our board member, Ram Ramgiri, for ensuring so many of our runners were registered and ready to represent Hi 5 at this great event. Thank you for your dedication and support!

Here's to many more events like this that bring us closer together as a community.

4.2 Northern California, Get Ready For The Hi 5 USA Invitational Tournament!

We're excited to announce the Hi 5 USA Invitational Tournament is happening in the Bay Area! This is your chance to hit the court, whether you're under 30 or over, and show off your skills.

No team? No problem! We'll handle the team matching, so you can focus on playing your best.

For those looking to add some extra excitement, don't miss the 3-Point Challenge and Free Throw Shootout—perfect for both seasoned players and first-timers. 🎯

Expect a full day of basketball, community spirit, and great vibes. Every participant gets a jersey, and we'll have refreshments available to keep everyone energized. Whether you're playing or cheering, this event promises to be an unforgettable experience!

📅 Date: Sunday, 24th November 2024
📍 Location: Newark Junior High School, 6201 Lafayette Ave, Newark, CA 94560

Lace up your sneakers, suit up, and join us for an action-packed day on the court! 💥

Register Today!

Hi 5 Invitational Basketball Tournament!

Category 1: Under 30 years | **Category 2:** 30 years and above
(including high school students)

Think you've got game? Step on the court and prove it!

Whether you're a high school player, a rising star under 30, or a weekend warrior over 30, this is your time to shine! Men and women, gather your team or if you're flying solo, don't worry - we will team you up!

Sunday, 24th November 2024
Newark Junior High School,
6201 Lafayette Ave, Newark, CA

Click below to register and find out more information

Click here to register

Hi5 Youth Foundation-USA

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Hi 5 Youth Foundation India runs a free, multi-year basketball program for underprivileged boys and girls, fostering excellence, building winning teams, and creating pathways to success in life. Hi 5 Youth Foundation currently trains 4000 children at 35 centers in 8 states of India.

4.3 Hi 5 Volunteers Make An Impact Across India

This summer, Hi 5 Youth Foundation welcomed several dedicated volunteers who made a meaningful impact on our centers and the children we serve.

Naren Jawhar, a second-year college student from Southern California, spent two weeks at our Sevalaya center in Chennai, where he quickly bonded with our coaches and children. He participated in tournaments, coached, mentored young athletes, and taught English in both the classroom and on the court. Reflecting on his experience, Naren said "From the moment I arrived at Sevalaya, I was inspired by the dedication and passion that everyone in the Hi 5 team brings to empowering youth through basketball." He also added, "Despite the challenges they face, their commitment to learning and improving was a reminder of the potential within every young person when given the right opportunities." Naren expressed his gratitude, saying, "Thank you again for this opportunity and I would love to visit again and come play with the kids."

Arya & Agastya Reddy, students from Dougherty Valley High School in San Ramon, CA, visited our Telangana center, where they spent time at Krushi Home and Spoorthi Foundation School. The siblings were impressed by the basketball skills of the children and found the experience eye-opening. In their own words:
"We had the privilege to join the kids at Krushi and Spoorthi over the summer. We enjoyed our time with the kids and the energy was great. We played with them and were pleasantly surprised with their basketball skills. Overall, it was a great experience, and we are looking forward to going back again next summer."
As active volunteers and members of the Hi 5 Club at their school, Arya and Agastya are eager to continue supporting the foundation.

Vinay Shah, a high school junior from Palo Alto, CA, was equally enthusiastic about volunteering with Hi 5 at the Vile Parle East MPS. Reflecting on his experience, Vinay shared, "I loved my time at the Dixit Road Hi5 center. Getting to know the coaches and kids, and playing basketball with them was a great experience!" He made a special trip to see the children in action and was thrilled to witness their passion for the game firsthand. Vinay looks forward to contributing even more to the program in the future, building on this inspiring experience.

We are incredibly grateful for the dedication and passion of all our volunteers. Their involvement is vital in shaping the future of Hi 5's young athletes!

Concluding Note:

Making a lasting difference!

In 2024, our intent is to continue fostering positive change, expanding our impact, and creating opportunities for the youth we serve. Thank you for being part of our journey, and here's to a year filled with continued growth, success, and meaningful contributions.

Our mission remains steadfast:
Changing young lives through play.

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