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## Life is a Ball Public Charitable Trust

is a not-for-profit organization, that mentors economically disadvantaged children through sport by equipping them with invaluable life lessons and skills required to face the world.



# PADMA AWARDS - SOMDEV DEVVARMAN



OUR CO-FOUNDER, Somdev Devvarman received the country's fourth highest civilian award, Padma Shri, from President Ram Nath Kovind at the Rashtrapati Bhavan in New Delhi. The LIAB Family is really proud of him and what he has done for sport in our country by being an idol to many youngsters.

# LIAB GAME DAY - 5 A SIDE FOOTBALL

LIAB GAME DAY will be back on 22nd April. In association with Whistle, an urban sports hub; we bring to you an open category **Five A Side Football Tournament**. All you need to do is register, cleat up and show up. And you playing means raising funds for LIAB kids as all proceeds from this event goes towards Life Is A Ball. Registration link: <http://imojo.in/8iigs8>



# BREAKING GENDER STEREOTYPES



STEREOTYPE IS a set idea that people have about what someone or something is like. We have set out on a mission to break such stereotypes, especially **Breaking Gender Stereotypes in Sports** by engaging kids in activities that will create awareness on **Gender Equity**. This program is split into three phases. **Phase 1:** Kids are given a list of sports asking them which sport is played by Boys only, Girls only and which sport is played by both, with their reasons for the same.

**Phase 2:** Based on their answers we mixed things up. In our Semmancheri & Sholinganallur schools, girls were trained in Cricket and boys in Kho-Kho for 2 weeks.

**Phase 3:** The last stage of this program was an inter-school tournament in the above mentioned sports.



FOR THIS tournament, both the cricket and kho-kho teams were mixed gender teams. It was amazing to see them work together and give each other advice on how to play/get better. Sholinganallur were the winners of the day, but both teams went home with a smile and a lot of learning. Our motto for the program is: **"Sport does not judge Gender, Neither will I."**





*“Some of my happiest memories growing up happened on a playground. I’m glad I can give back and share a bit of that magic through Life is A Ball.”*

**- Neeraj Devvarma**  
Champion, LIAB



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