

PSD Celebrates IDSDP 2019 in Bhubaneswar

PSD celebrated the International Day of Sport for Development & Peace (IDSDP) on 6th April 2019 with children from the Community Sports Program (CSP) in Bhubaneswar, by organizing an "Opinion Wall" and a mixed-gender catching volleyball tournament.



For IDSDP 2019, PSD wanted to hear from various stakeholders part of the CSP about how sport has impacted them individually and collectively. With this in mind, PSD's team in Bhubaneswar created an "Opinion Wall" which allowed the children, as well as other stakeholders such as teachers and community members, to share their thoughts.



The Opinion Wall was taken to each of the schools' part of the CSP in the week leading up to 6th April, where stakeholders expressed their views. On 6th April, PSD organised a mixed-gender catching volleyball tournament at Saraswati Shishu Mandira school in Bharatpur slum, where the Opinion Wall was placed.



The Opinion Wall turned out to be extremely popular and there were some inspiring and powerful views shared. [Read more here.](#)

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Archita was attracted to the CSP due to the fact that both girls and boys played together. She says, "Earlier girls and boys used to play separately. But since we have been playing together, I have learnt about teamwork, how to speak with each other as well as how to cooperate with each other." In her opinion, this has diminished the everyday discrimination between girls and boys at her school and among her peers.



The CSP has helped her become self-confident, and she now dreams of captaining the Indian cricket team in the future!

Archita Rout is a 13-year old girl studying at Vivekananda Shiksha Kendra school in Patrapada slum of Bhubaneswar.

[Read her full story here.](#)

Final CSP Training held with Teachers & Student Leaders

The fourth and final CSP teacher and student leader training was held on 27th and 28th of April 2019 in Bhubaneswar, in collaboration with Tata Trusts. The training focused on student leaders, with 7 of them (3 girls) participating, along with one teacher.



This workshop was delivered with the purpose of building capacity of student leaders and teachers from the schools participating in the CSP, to allow them to be able to deliver the program in the future, keeping in mind its long-term sustainability.



PSD Completes Project in Anantapur

April 2019 marked the completion of PSD's collaboration with Anantapur Sports Academy (ASA), which helped improve the effectiveness of sport as a sustainable tool for the holistic development of youth in rural Andhra Pradesh.



Though PSD will be assisting ASA in taking further the research study initiated in 2018, we will not have a team placed out of Anantapur. We would like to thank ASA for this opportunity to contribute to the development of youth through sport in Anantapur.