# SPORTS MANAGEMENT TEAM ANNUAL REPORT 2019-20



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#### **About the Team**

"Sport has the power to change the world. It has the power to inspire. It has the power to unite people in a way that little else does. It speaks to youth in a language they understand. Sport can create hope where once there was only despair."

- Nelson Mandela

Founded on the Pillars of "Parampara, Pratishtha, Anushasan & Jugaad", The Sports Management Team at SIBM believes in the objective of inculcating team spirit, bringing out leadership qualities & encouraging students to participate in sports in order to harness a healthy mind into a healthy body. The rising potential of sports as a management domain is something the team wants to tap into and give the students a chance to excel in developing an all-round personality that encompasses mental as well as physical capabilities.

Above all, we hope to provide a distraction from the rigors of MBA life at SIBM and give everyone a chance to unwind and just have a little fun!



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# **Hoopster**

Hoopster is the first event organised by the Sports Management Team in the academic year. The aim of the tournament is "ice breaking" or getting the first and second years to know one and other. The format of the tournament is a three on three half court basketball game with a slight twist. Each team must contain a minimum of one junior, one senior and one girl. This ensures that all juniors get to interact with at least one senior & breeds a spirit of comradery within the batch.

Hoopster 2019 was scheduled between the dates of 11<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> July. The finals however were played on the 14<sup>th</sup> because of brief spells of inclement weather throughout the tournament. The tournament saw 99 registrations which were split into 33 teams. 32 matches were carried out over 4 days. Although it rained on & off throughout the tournament, the safety of the players was of paramount importance. The Sports Management Team made sure that the court was dry at all times and postponed games if the weather got out of hand. The Sports Management Team is also extremely thankful to the senior members of the SIBM Pune Basketball team who refereed the games and made sure all games were played fairly.

The finals were very closely contested with the Captain of the SIBM Basketball team (Vidhyut Bhavnani) coming up against two of his teammates. In the end, the team consisting of Nishchhal Shresthta, Surya Rao & Pooja Kharat emerged victorious over Vidhyut, Yatin Batra & Vedika Goenka. This was followed by the prize distribution ceremony by the interim members of the Sports Management Team.



#### **Dwandva**

Dwandva is an all sports battle held between the MBA 1 & MBA 2 batches. It features the best of each batch competing over 10 sports, namely Basketball, Carrom, Pool, Chess, Squash, Badminton, Table Tennis, Tug of War, Swimming & Volleyball. The event is aimed at keeping the spirit of competition & team work intact between the two batches. It also acts as a healthy distraction from the pressures of MBA life at SIBM Pune which have begun to mount up by this point in the semester.

Dwandva'19 was scheduled to take place between the 28th of July & the 1st of August, but was eventually concluded on the 3rd because of inclement weather conditions. The event was spread across 7 days of exhilarating and breath-taking sporting feats which gave a sense of relaxation to the students from their daily academic schedules. Table Tennis was the first sport of the tournament where MBA 2 clean swept MBA 1 in both the men's and women's divisions. In Badminton MBA 2 emerged victorious in the Men's division whereas in the woman's division MBA 1 was victorious. Day 2 was utilized for the conduction of Chess and Carrom wherein men's chess was dominated by MBA 1 and MBA 2 was victorious in women's chess. In carrom, MBA 1 won the women's match and MBA 2 took the match in the men's division. Day 3 and Day 4 were kept for Swimming and Pool, where MBA 1 stole the show in swimming and MBA 2 was victorious in pool. The overall score line at the end of 4 days stood at 8-4 where MBA 2 emerged as the final rightful champions of Dwandva'19. The event was a huge success, but due to inclement weather conditions, three sporting events had to be cancelled which included Volleyball, Basketball and Tug of War. Dwandva'19 was concluded with the presentation of the "Winners Shield" to the winning captains from MBA 2.









#### **Box Cricket & Rink Football**

Box Cricket and Rink Football is the first event hosted by the Sports Management Team in the Junior term. It takes place post the gruelling Summer Internship Recruitment Process and is a time when the college as a whole unwinds slightly. Cricket & Football are the most popular sports of our age group & thus this is an event that sees a lot of participation from the batch. Box Cricket is a six a side game where a minimum of one girl is compulsory in each team whereas Rink Football is a 5 a side game. The Rink Football tournament is conducted for Men & Women separately. The tournament is in its essence an inter section tournament. Teams can be made from only within a section. This tournament also acts as an opportunity for the senior batch to scout the junior batch for the SIBM Pune Premier League that takes place later in the year.

The 2019 edition of Box Cricket & Rink Football witnesses the participation of 16 Men's teams and 2 Women's teams in the Rink Football Tournament and 28 teams in the Box Cricket Tournament. Lots were drawn on 8<sup>th</sup> October at the MNC in front of an enthusiastic crowd to decide on the fixtures and maintain transparency.

The #CHULLCHALL challenge was also launched in the build up to the tournament which encouraged the batch to shake a leg and helped boost the popularity of the event.

The next 10 days were characterized by a total of forty-four exciting and competitive matches held at the main ground. Football & Cricket matches were held side by side in the evenings which drew a large number of spectators. The students spent their evenings taking in the great skills and sportsmanship put on display by their batchmates.

The Men's Rink Football Semi Finals & Finals were held on the 17<sup>th</sup> of October. The teams "Now You See Me" (MBA 2 – Marketing A) & "Royston's Royals" (MBA 2 – Marketing B) battled it out in Semi Final 1 while "Nothing but Net" (MBA 2 – FinOps D) & "Soccer Studs" (MBA 2 – I & E) battled it out in Semi Final 2. This led to an epic showdown in the final between "Nothing but Net" & "Royston's Royals" where the former emerged victorious. The MBA 2 Regular team captained by Richa Grover emerged victorious in the Women's division.

The Semi Finals & Finals of the Box Cricket tournament was held on the 18<sup>th</sup>. "Grovers Gully Gang" (MBA 2 – Marketing B) emerged victorious against "Sarcastic Retards" (MBA 1 – Marketing A) in the first semi final while "Ekka Ke Ikke" (MBA 2 – Marketing A) were able to defeat "Sakth Launde" (MBA 2 – FinOps F) in the second. This set up a hard fought final where "Grover Gully Gang" were able to prove their mettle and emerge as deserved winners with the last ball of the game.











#### Gravitas

Gravitas is the flagship event of the Sports Management Team. It is SIBM's annual Inter B-School sports festival. Colleges from all over the country are invited to participate. The event consists of 10 sports namely; Cricket, Football, Basketball, Volleyball, Badminton, Squash, Table Tennis, Carrom, Chess & Pool.

Gravitas'20 was launched on the 21<sup>st</sup> of November in AH2. The evening started with a short video of appreciation, featuring moments from the past events like Hoopster, Dwandva and Box Cricket and Rink Football and thanking all those who had supported the Sports Management Team throughout the year. We saw captains of various SIBM Sports Teams talk about their experiences in the previous year as they urged the audience to participate and support their home team during the course of the event. The Student President, Mr. Rahul Pant also spoke a few motivating words to the audience about the importance of sports and what GRAVITAS meant to him. Later in the evening, two of our batch mates, Shubham Dubey from MBA I&E and Tejasv Chharri from MBA 1 Marketing performed stand up comedy on stage. The highlight of the evening were the three stand-up comedians from Mumbai namely Praveen Pandya, Sourabh Bothra and Rejoy Joseph who entertained the audience with their humour.

Keeping up with the legacy of unveiling a mascot every year, the mascot "FELIX THE TIGER" along with the theme for Gravitas'20; "SAGA OF THE SENSES". The official poster and video for Gravitas'20 were unveiled as well. The event also featured a sports quiz which was conducted in association with QUOD. As the event neared its end, we concluded on a high as the audience left the room with a huge smile on their face which was an indicator of the successful completion of the GRAVITAS Launch.

A multitude of sponsors were associated with Gravitas as well. GNC was onboarded as the official Nutrition Partner. The Souled Store was brought on board as the official gifting partner. RIO Drinks agreed to be the Energy partner for Gravitas and Mufasa was brought on as a beverage partner.



Gravitas'20 was held between the 17<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> of January. It featured participation of close to 400 students from 9 colleges namely; SP Jain, NITIE, NMIMS, KJ SIMSR, IIT Bombay, MICA, SCMHRD, SIIB & SIBM. The colleges battled in out across 16 competitions. The 3 days featured non stop sporting activities with 83 matches being played across 4 arenas that kept the college buzzing and the students actively involved. None of this would've been possible without the support of the Gravitas Event Managers who made sure that the functioning of the event was smooth and seamless.

Colleges were awarded 2 points for finishing first in an event and 1 point for finishing second. KJ SIMSR won most of the outdoor sports as they picked up winners medals in the Men's Cricket, Football & Volleyball Competitions. NITIE & SP Jain picked up a winners trophy each in the Chess &

Men's squash tournament respectively. NMIMS swept the Table Tennis tournaments and also won the Men's basketball tournament. They were runners up in the Chess & Cricket Tournaments. Gravitas saw active participation from MICA as they picked up Winners medals in the Women's Volleyball, Basketball & Squash tournaments as well as Runners Up medals in the Men's Football & Women's Football & Badminton tournaments.

In spite of tough competition from the other competing colleges, SIBM Pune emerged as eventual contingent winners by winning the Badminton, Pool & Carrom tournaments and the Women's Football tournament. We were also Runners Up in the Volleyball, Basketball, Table Tennis & Squash Tournaments. The event was concluded with a presentation ceremony at the main ground.



## **SIBM Pune Premier League**

The SPL is the last major event of the academic year. It is the event that the entire batch looks forward to and remembers even after they leave this beautiful Lavale Campus. The SPL closely mirrors the format of the Indian Premier League. 8 teams participate every year. These teams as well as their captains and their players are bid for in two breakneck days that feature the Teams / Captains Auction & the Players Auction that typically run into the wee hours of the morning.

The auctions were conducted on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> of February this year. They were conducted in the AH2 where the entire college was invited to come and view the proceedings. A total of 175 students registered for the tournament. By the end of the bidding, 8 teams had been formed and had been split into two pools. Pool A consisting of Devils, Dragons, Bisons & Spartans while Pool B consisted of Wolves, Panthers, Sharks & Stallions.

The next 15 days were filled with practice matches and anticipation as the entire batch worked really hard in order to lift the coveted SPL trophy. The tournament began on the 18<sup>th</sup> of Feb & some highlights included 2 of Akash Kamble's fifties for the Dragons against the Spartans and Devils which were scored in 21 and 41 balls respectively. Some great batting performances were on display from Saket Agrawal as well for the Devils as he ensured they went unbeaten throughout the group stages. Some great bowling was on display as well from Vasu Tada for the Bisons as he took 6 wickets for them with a brilliant average of 3.3. Due to unforeseen circumstances the Men's tournament had to be called off before the knockouts.

The event was concluded on the 4<sup>th</sup> of March. The Executive Council of SIBM faced off against the Faculty & Staff in the morning with the Faculty & Staff coming out on top with ease! A friendly match was also organized between the Mess & Security Staff of the Campus in the afternoon. The last act was the Women's MBA 1 v/s MBA 2 match which featured some swashbuckling performances from Richa Grover, Tejasvi & Dhwani Sahdev. The Women's MBA 2 team ended the night victorious and the tournament ended with a poignant moment shared between the MBA 1 & MBA 2 girls teams who had played together for almost a year.

















## **Other B-School Sports Fests**

The Sports Management Team also facilitates SIBM Pune's participation in other B-School Sports Festivals. These events act as bonding opportunities for the respective teams as they are usually 4-5 day events where the teams spend most of their time with each other. It is also a great way to network with MBA students from other colleges and make some new friends!

This year SIBM Pune participated in two college fests:

**SPRINT'20**: Sprint is SP Jain's annual Inter B School Sports Festival 7 was held between the 10<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> of January. SIBM returned with 2 Golds and 4 Silvers. We emerged as Winners in the 400m & Squash tournaments and Runners Up in the Thowball, Basketball, Pool and Futsal Tournaments.



**SAMAR'20**: SAMAR is MICA's annual sports festival which was held between the 8<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> of February. Our teams dominated the sports festival winning the Men's & Women's Football competitions, the Men's Basketball Competitions & the Women's Throwball competition. We were also Runners Up in the Women's Basketball & Men's Volleyball tournaments. These victories powered SIBM to the Contingent Trophy and helped create a healthy rivalry between MICA & SIBM which we hope will be continued at Gravitas next year.





# **Symbiosis International University Events**

The Symbiosis International University hosts inter SIU sporting competitions for every sport in association with the Department of Sports, Recreation & Wellness (DSRW). The DSRW enlists the help of 1 college per sport to conduct the tournament.

#### **SIU Basketball**

This year SIBM was given the responsibility of organising the Basketball tournament. The tournament was organized from the 17<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> of September and saw the participation of 23 Men's teams and 18 Women's teams from all over the country. The event was fraught with challenges as the teams were staying far away from the arena and it was raining throughout the tournament. The tournament ended with SLS Hyderabad winning the Women's division with SLS Pune & SCMS Pune the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner Ups respectively and Symbiosis School of Sports Science winning the Men's Division with SLS Pune & SLS Hyderabad the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner Ups.

This event was especially memorable for the us as well as it in some ways set the foundation for the Senior Team or the year 2020-2021.



SIU Badminton: The Inter SIU Badminton Tournament was held in July 2019. The tournament saw the participation of 56 colleges. The SIBM team ran out winners of the contest spearheaded by the partnership between Satyajeet & Harsh Jagdhane.

