

## **BRIDGE FEDERATION OF INDIA ANNUAL REPORT 2022 (DEC 2021 TO AUGUST 2022)**

Dear All Members and Players,

Despite the scare of the “OMICRON” the partially live bridge started in the form of online BFAME championships during the first week of December 2021, The Indian teams assembled at Shivnadar University Campus on the out skirts of Delhi.

The teams were represented by.

- 1) OPEN TEAM. Jaggy Shivdasani, Sandeep Thakral, Keyzad Ankalesaria, Rajeshwar Tiwari, Sumit Mukharjee & Debrata Mujumdar. Coach. - Debasish Ray.



- 2) MIXED TEAM- Mr. & Mrs. Sandeep Karmakar. Mr & Mrs. Rajeev Khandelwal, Ms. Kiran Nadar and Satyanarayana- Coach – Vinay Desai





3) LADIES TEAM. Vasanti Shah, Pooja Batra, Coach – Subhash Gupta.



4) SENIORS TEAM. Ashok Goel, Venkatraman, Rajesh Dalal, Anil Padhye, Subrato Saha, & Sukamal das, Coach – R. Krishnan.



Indians Open, Mixed and Ladies won gold medals in the event, the seniors won the Silver Medal. And there by qualifying for 45th World Bridge Championships in ITALY in their respective categories.

At the world championships in March /April -2022 the 'SENIOR' TEAM consisting of Ashok Goel, Anil Padhye, Rajesh Dallal, Subrto Saha, Sukmal das and Captain & Coach R. Krishnan won **the Silver Medal**. This was by far the best performance by any Indian team at the WBC, bettering the Bronze Medal won at Wuhan in 2019, Let's hope we continue this trend and go Gold Medal in the next WBC.



Open teams' performance was satisfactory, but the Mixed team and Ladies Team could not perform to their best abilities. BFI intends to work hard in improving in this direction.

Under the dignified guidance of our esteemed President, the federation has worked its way, in providing facilities, activities. Camps. Coach assistance, and Exposures in international tournaments, for all level of players, all this with the complete financial assistance and zero cost to the players. Onus on the **"CONSISTENCY & PERFORMANCE BASED SELECTION"** adopted few years ago, is proving to be successful. today, any player/s can dream of representing India.

The target now is to prepare well and exceed our performance level of the previous years in all categories at all the International Tournaments in the coming years.

With the increased threat of the OMICRON virus, in Jan -2022. the BFI committee decided to hold the Winter Nationals online. The response to the tournament was good, \_\_\_\_\_ teams in Gold \_\_\_\_\_ teams in silver events participated in the Nationals. The Gold event was won by team Formidable, represented by,

The Silver event was won by, \_\_\_\_\_



Represented by. \_\_\_\_\_

The other major event which was held live was the Indian Selection Trials for the Open, Mixed and Women Categories at Pune from \_\_\_\_\_ February to select teams for the. ASIAN GAMES -22

The following qualified to represent India at the Asian Games -2022.

- 1) Open team. Jaggy Shivadasni, Sandeep Thakral, Rajeshwar Tiwari, Keyzad Ankalesia, Sumit Mukharjee & Debrata Mujumdar
- 2) Mixed team– Hema Deora, Gopinath Manna, Bindiya Naidoo, Priya Ranjan Sinha, -----
- 3) Ladies team \_\_\_\_\_

Unfortunately, Asian Games-2022. was to be called off due to pandemic.

With the pandemic easing the live events stated Shree Cements organised the first major event at Kolkata. With a good participation in the event, team \_\_\_\_\_

Consisting of -----won the event.

After missing out holding live in 2020 & 2021 “TOLANI SUMMER NATIONALS” were held live in Bangalore.

The Gold event was won by team Formidables consisting of Jaggy Shivdasini, Sandeep Thakral, Sumit Mukharjee, Debrata Mujumdar, Rajeshwar Tiwari & Keyzad Ankalesia,

The Silver Team was won by \_\_\_\_\_

### **All India Sub-Junior & Junior National Bridge Championship 2021-22**

With the effort of our treasurer Mr. Hemant Pande. YOUTH & JUNIOR NATIONALS was held in Nashik, 27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> April 2022. **The Championship was sponsored by Magnum MI Steel Pvt Ltd.**



**Inauguration of the All India Sub-Junior & Junior Bridge Championship 2021-22**



**Junior Nationals in Progress.**



**Prize Distribution of the Junior Nationals.**

The details and the results are as follows.

Result of Junior / Sub-Junior National Championship held at Nashik – 26.04.2022 to 29.04.2022 - reg.

#### **DAY-WISE EVENTS & REPORTS:**

##### **DAY 1 : 27TH APRIL 2022 :**

**A total of 43 Boys and Girls have reported on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2022 at the venue. Basic details are verified with their records.**

After verifying the same, the Tournament Committee and Panel of Selectors, have organized for grouping of Children to the following category based on their eligibility:

1. UNDER 31 CATEGORY
2. UNDER 26 BOYS & GIRLS CATEGORY
3. UNDER 21 CATEGORY
4. UNDER 16 CATEGORY (KIDS)

On that day two session Pair event (for all the categories separately was conducted as follows:

U.31 & U.26 – Combined – 14 Pairs – 7 tables – 50 Boards  
 U.21 & U.16 - 3 ½ Tables – 32 boards

<b>JUNIOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP - 2022 - 27.04.2022- RESULT</b>						
RANK	Pair	SESSION-1	SESSION-2	TOTAL	PAIRS – NAME	CATEGORY
1	3	42	91	133	Pritam Das - Souvik Kar	<b>U31</b>
2	5	65	28	93	Sagnik Roy - Sayantan Kushari	<b>U31</b>
3	10	24	42	66	Arya Chakraborty - Soumadeep Ghosh	<b>U31</b>
4	7	25	35	60	Vidya Patel - Kalpana Gurjar	<b>U26</b>
5	12	43	15	58	Shouvik Das - Surajit Bar	<b>U31</b>
6	8	31	18	49	Taral Rodrigues - Dinesh Babu S	<b>U26</b>
7	1	23	12	35	Kunj Chaheda - V B Reshwadithya	<b>U26</b>
8	14	-15	42	27	Kazi Md Samim - Soham Sarkar	<b>U26</b>
9	9	-12	27	15	Monu - Vipin	<b>U31</b>
10	4	24	-21	3	Rekha B - Subhashree Basu	<b>U26</b>
11	6	-8	-35	-43	Kavya G U - Jeevanandham Vikraman	<b>U26</b>
12	13	-48	-81	-129	Kausik Kumar Roy - Souvik Maity	<b>U26</b>
13	2	-77	-90	-167	Sonia - Simran	<b>U26</b>
14	11	-117	-83	-200	Mukilkumar M - Gopal P	<b>U26</b>

**SUB-JUNIOR NATIONAL - U-21 / U-16 - PAIRS EVENT - 27.04.2022**

RANK	SESSION-1	SESSION-2	TOTAL	PAIRS – NAME	CATEGORY
1	56.00	6.00	62.00	Saikritick Satish Mohan - Kanishk	U16 - U21
2	20.00	10.67	30.67	Tirtharaj Chowdhury - Nachiketa Muthuswamy	U16
3	41.33	-12.00	29.33	Prajwal - Tilakraj Chowdhury	U21
4	-21.00	18.67	-2.33	Johann Pinto - Kamryn Menezes	U21
5	-25.00	-2.91	-27.91	Adiyaman Z - Krishanth S	U16
6	-32.00	2.67	-29.33	Rashi Jahagirdar - Paavan Goyal	U16
7	-13.33	-21.00	-34.33	Gowtham K - Mathy Inban R	U16

**DAY 2 : 28<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2022**

Swiss Pairs Event is conducted as follows:

1. U-31 Category – 6 pairs – 5 Rounds of 10 Boards Each
2. U-26 & U-21 Category – 10 pairs 9 Rounds of 6 Boards Each
3. U-16 category – 5 Pairs – 5 Rounds of 7 Boards Each

**Bridge Federation of India Jr National - U-31 Swiss Pairs 28-04-2022**

Rank	Pair	Names	VPs
1	6	Sagnik Roy & Sayantan Kushari	67.26
2	3	Arya Chakraborty & Soumadeep Ghosh	58.88
3	4	Monu & Vipin	54.51
4	5	Shouvik Das & Surajit Bar	40.37
5	1	Pritam Das & Souvik kar	40.23
6	2	Kausik Kumar Roy & Souvik Maity	38.75

**Bridge Federation of India Junior National - U-26 & U21 28-04-2022**

Rank	Pair	Names	VPs
1	9	Prajwal & Tilakraj Chowdhury	127.6
2	2	Tara Rodrigues & Dinesh Babu S	119.76
3	4	Kazi Md. Samim & Soham Sarkar	107.36
4	10	Johann Pinto & Kamryn Menezes	102.6
5	1	Vidhya Patel & Kalpana Gurjar	100.16
6	6	Jeevanandham Vikraman & Kavya G U	96.07
7	3	Kunj Chheda & Reshwadithya V B	92.14
8	5	Rekha B & Subhashree Basu	79.78
9	7	Sonia & Simran	38.47
10	8	Mukilkumar M & Gopal P	36.06

### Bridge Federation of India Sub-Junior - u-16 Swiss Pair 28-04-2022

Rank	Pair	Names	VPs
1	2	Tirtharaj Chowdhury & Nachiketa Muthuswamy	63.54
2	1	Saikritick Satish Mohan & Kanishk	57.94
3	4	Rashi Jahagirdar & Paavan Goyal	48.88
4	3	Adiyaman Zodypache & Krishanth S	48.05
5	5	Mathyinban R & Gowtham K	41.59

### DAY 3 : 29TH APRIL 2022

The Tournament committee and selection committee have made 2 sets of pairs as a group to form teams based on the above Swiss pair performance.

Team Event – U-31 & U-26 Combined – 6 Teams – 5 Rounds of 10 Boards

Individual Event with 14 Individuals from U-16 and U-21 combined event held playing 22 Boards.

### Bridge Federation of India Jr National Swiss Teams 29/04/2022

Rank	Names	VPs	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5
1	U31 – ONE	81.03	13.14	19.86	20.00	16.18	11.85
	Arya Chakraborty, Soumadeep Ghosh, Sagnik Roy, Sayantan Kushari						
2	U-31 – THREE	62.02	8.15	0.14	15.29	20.00	18.44
	Pritam Das, Souvik kar, Kausik Kumar Roy, Souvik Maity						
	Kunj Chheda, Reshwadithya V B						
3	U-26 – THREE	58.01	11.85	18.97	6.86	12.18	8.15
	Vidhya Patel, Kalpana Gurjar, Jeevanandham Vikraman, Kavya G U						
	Rekha B, Subhashree Basu						
4	U-26 – ONE	49.04	6.86	11.50	4.71	7.82	18.15
	Prajjwal, Tilakraj Chowdhury, Taral Rodrigues, Dinesh Babu S						
5	U-31 – TWO	43.80	16.78	8.50	13.14	3.82	1.56
	Shouvik Das, Surajit Bar, Monu, Vipin						
6	U-26 – TWO	6.10	3.22	1.03	0.00	0.00	1.85
	Kazi Md. Samim, Soham Sarkar, Johann Pinto, Kamryn Menezes						

Result of Individual Event as follows :



**Bridge Federation of India Jr / Sub-Junior National 2021 29-04-2022**

Rank	Ind	Name [OVERALL RANKS]	Bds	ButlerN
1	9	Adiyaman Zodypache	27	77
2	8	Paavan Goyal	27	54
3	10	Rashi Jahagirdar	27	46
4	13	Tirtharaj Chowdhury	33	20
5	3	Mukilkumar M	27	16
6	14	Nachiketa Muthuswamy	33	3
7	2	Simran	27	-4
8	11	Kanishk	27	-21
9	12	Saikritick Satish Mohan	33	-23
10	5	Gowtham K	27	-24
11	1	Sonia	27	-26
12	4	Gopal P	27	-28
13	7	Mathyinban R	27	-36
14	6	Krishanth S	27	-54

**Junior Camp**

The Junior Nationals followed by the selection process for the players to represent INDIA at the 7<sup>th</sup> World Transnational Youth Championships. After the rigorous camps and training. Two Camps were conducted at Kensington Club Nashik, in first camp participated 24 participants and 22 Participants were shortlisted for the second camp.



A contingent of 22 players was selected to represent India in various categories as follows.

## **ASIANS GAMES NATIONAL COACHING CAMP FOR WOMEN CATEGORY**

AT KENSINGTON CLUB, NASHIK FROM 24<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2022 TO 28<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2022  
COACHING CAMP FOR WOMEN TEAM FOR PREPERATION OF ASIAN GAMES, 2022

The camp commenced on 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2022 at Kensington Club, Nashik

All the athletes including reserve pair attended the camp.

1. Puja Batra
2. Asha Sharma
3. Usha Kabra
4. Alka Kshirsagar
5. Vasanti Shah
6. Bharati Dey
7. Richa Sriram
8. Meenal Thakur

Coaching & Play evaluation of the athletes has been organized by 3 coaches

1. Keshav S. Samant
2. Vinay Desai
3. Anil Padhye

The proceedings were also assisted by the support staff.

1. KS Swaminathan
2. Chetan Raval

The progress of athletes has been found to be satisfactory.

**Photos from the coaching camp:**



**Inauguration of Coaching at the hand of Mr. Vikrant Mate Managing Director of Kensington Club, Nashik.**

**Coaching Brief given by Mr. Keshav Samant.**



**Anil Padhye guiding the Women to enhance their skills.**

## India participation in 7<sup>th</sup> World Youth Championship Italy 2022

### India bags Two Gold, Two Silver medal and one bronze at the championship

Indian Junior players in 4 age categories under 16 the sub Junior, under 21 and 26 the juniors, Under 26 junior Girls and under 31 the Youth, took part in the 7<sup>th</sup> World Youth Championship held Salsomaggiore Italy during 7<sup>th</sup> August to 14<sup>th</sup> august 2022. The entire contingent has been supported for International exposure by Sports Authority of India (SAI), a Govt. of India enterprise.

The selection of contingent was done by short listing the talented players in each age group at national Junior Championships. Shortlisted probables were further evaluated at two coaching camps under the supervision of National coaches before finalizing the final contingent

- Indian Girls Team with Coach and Team Manager at Venue –**

<b>SURNAME</b>	<b>GIVEN NAME</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Gender</b>
DAS	PRITAM	Youth U-31	Male
KAR	SOUVIK	Youth U-31	Male
BAR	SURAJIT	Youth U-31	Male
KUSHARI	SAYANTAN	Youth U-31	Male
ROY	SAGNIK	Youth U-31	Male
GHOSH	SOUMADEEP	Youth U-31	Male
CHAKRABORTY	ARYA	Youth U-31	Male
DAS	SHOUVIK	Youth U-31	Male
<b>SAMANT</b>	<b>KESAHV</b>	<b>COACH &amp; NPC U-31</b>	<b>Male</b>
GURJAR	KALPANA	Under 26 Girls	Female
PATEL	VIDHYA	Under 26 Girls	Female
BHEEMANAİK	REKHA	Under 26 Girls	Female
BASU	SUBHASHREE	Under 26 Girls	Female
<b>NAIDOO</b>	<b>BINDIYA</b>	<b>GIRLS MANAGER</b>	<b>Female</b>
<b>DESAI</b>	<b>VINAY</b>	<b>COACH &amp; NPC GU-26</b>	<b>Male</b>
CHOWDHURY	TILAKRAJ	Under 26/ 21	Male
-	PRAJJWAL	Under 26/ 21	Male
SARKAR	SOHAM	Under 26/ 21	Male
PINTO	JOHANN JOSE	Under 26/ 21	Male
SELVARAJ	DINESH BABU	Under 26/ 21	Male
RODRIGUES	TARAL EMANUEL LAZARUS	Under 26/ 21	Male
<b>IYENGAR</b>	<b>SATYAKUMAR</b>	<b>COACH &amp; NPC U-26/21</b>	<b>Male</b>
MUTHUSWAMY	NACHIKETA KARTHIKEYAN	Under 16 sub Junior	Male
CHOWDHURY	TIRTHARAJ	Under 16 sub Junior	Male
JAHAGIRDAR	RASHI SAGAR	Under 16 sub Junior	Female
GOYAL	PAAVAN	Under 16 sub Junior	Male
<b>SANZGIRI</b>	<b>ANIRUDDHA</b>	<b>COACH &amp; NPC U-16</b>	<b>Male</b>
<b>PANDE</b>	<b>HEMANT</b>	<b>TEAM MANAGER</b>	<b>Male</b>



- Indian Bridge Team ((U31) with Coach and Team Manager –





- **Indian Bridge Team (U26) with Coach and Team Manager –**



- **Indian Bridge Sub Junior Team (U16) with Coach and Team Manager**



The championship started with a pair event. There were near about 50 pairs in competition. Indian pairs in two categories did exceedingly well since beginning. Sagnik Roy and Sayantan Kushari topped from the initial leg to conquer the Gold Medal in Youth category. Kalpana Gurjar and Vidhya Patel also led the field of from begging and had virally were certain to get Gold medal, however the pair slipped in the lasy round and finished 2<sup>nd</sup> with Silver Medal. Also Won a Bronze Medal in Board a Match under 16 Team.

- **Initial round results top 6 positions Youth pairs**

1. BEDOUET Pierre VALLET Esteban FRA - FRA 62.03
- 2 DONATI Giovanni SCATA Sebastiano ITA - ITA 61.94
- 3 ROSENBERG Kevin ZHU Bo Han USA - CAN 61.41
- 4 ROY Sagnik KUSHARI Sayantan IND - IND 59.04 5
- MYLLAERI Maria VANNI Ilona FIN - FIN 57.72
- 6 EVACIC Emanuel BILUSIC Ivan CRO - CRO 56.79

- **Initial round results top 6 positions Under 26 Girls pairs**

- 1 KAMAL PATEL Vidhya BALIRAM GURJAR Kalpana IND - IND 55.82
- 2 BOUTON Clara KUREK BEAULIEU Margaux FRA - FRA 55.77
- 3 DALPOZZO Valentina DALPOZZO Federica ITA - ITA 54.34
- 4 INDREBO Thea Lucia BREKKE Kaja NOR - NOR 54.32
- 5 SCHLUMBERGER Wilhelmine BELLOY Constance FRA - FRA 54.28
- 6 DONNELLAN Margot DONNELLAN Ava USA - USA 53.88



- **Final results in Youth**

- 1 ROY Sagnik KUSHARI Sayantan IND - IND 60.50
- 2 BEDOUET Pierre VALLET Esteban FRA - FRA 60.25
- 3 DONATI Giovanni SCATA Sebastiano ITA - ITA 59.82





- **Final results in Girls**

- 1 BOUTON Clara KUREK BEAULIEU Margaux FRA - FRA 54.01
- 2 KAMAL PATEL Vidhya BALIRAM GURJAR Kalpana IND - IND 52.94
- 3 DALPOZZO Valentina DALPOZZO Federica ITA - ITA 52.47



- **Final Results in BAM (Board a Match) (U16)**

- Gold: **Team Tricky Bridge:** Kristian Dalemarm Austad,  
Costa Theodore Ben Guigul, Frantisek Kubat, Einar Osen
- Silver: **Czech Republic:** Jonas Drozd, Marek Pilat, Karolina Recicarova,
- Bronze: **India U16:** Tirtharaj Chowdhury, Paavan Goyal, Rashi  
Jahagirdar, Nachiketa Muthuswamy, Aniruddha Sanzgiri (npc &  
coach)



The pairs who did not qualify played flight B. In this event U-21/U-26/G U-26/U-31 group was combined and pair event was conducted. In this Pritam Das and Souvik Kar came second.



The Youth team (26-31 category) after a very good performance in the initial stages, missed by a whisker in securing the Medal, we are sure they are not far away from bringing laurels to the country, BFI assures them that every effort will made to give them all the necessary facilities for the them to shine at National and International levels.

Mohanlal Bhartia Tournament, a national ranking event. Was held in Delhi after a lapse 2 years.

Dhampur Sugar team consisting of -----won the tournament.

### **BFI INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM.**

on the infrastructure front BFI with assistance for SAI procured 60 Screen Tables of world class standard, and also purchased two additional 'Dealing Machines'. All are being housed in a newly hired premises at Mumbai. More sanctions will be sought from SAI in the coming years. Progressively the plans are to have independent and self-sufficient stock of all the required material to conduct any National and International championships in India.

### **BFI EDUCATION PROGRAM**

With the ambition of popularising, and in the hope of getting younger players to the game, Which is the one fundamental duty of the federation, BFI made its first effort in establishing BRIDGE PATHASHALA centre in Mumbai. With help from LSS in giving the place. all the other necessary facilities and infrastructure were executed by the federation with CSR funding. BFI is hopeful of establishing more such centres all over India in the years to come.

Bridge Pathshala under the care of Principal – Ravi Raman, commenced its operations in January 2020 when Covid-19 pandemic was in the initial stages. Hence education activities were conducted mainly through online classes. Over the first 15 months, Bridge Pathshala has

developed 12 courses which offer Bridge education at different levels – from beginner level to advanced levels. All the courses are available to students online and face-to-face.

During the 15 months, BP has conducted 117 offerings of the courses and they have been attended by over 1,400 students – some students have attended multiple offerings of the same course on different topics. The overall feedback on course quality has been excellent as students keep coming back to our courses on different topics. BP has been able to get more than 150 newcomers to learn the game.

BP has been self-funding since its inception, and this has been made possible because of effective implementation of marketing strategy and high-quality education.

BFI thanks the Principal Mr. Ravi Raman in all the effort he has put in running BP.

Going forward the challenges continue to be creating awareness of the game, acceptance by educational institutions and beginners going on to take advanced level classes. We are working on plans to overcome these challenges and get more people to learn Bridge and increase the number of bridge players.

Independently many other State associations, have also been involved in teaching and education.

### **CSR Sponsorships:**

BFI immensely expresses its gratitude to all the sponsors who have generously contributed towards the bridge education and training programs. Bridge being a national priority sport game recognized by Ministry of Sports and Youth Affairs has been eligible for CSR contributions which has been used for promotion of juniors and education teaching programs.

### **SPORTS CODE.**

As per directive of the Ministry BFI adopted the 'sports code-2011'. BFI is now fully compliance with the above. changes in our MOA were made in line with the Sports code. The same were approved in the EGM and were circulated to all the members, we have been persuading all state associations to update their masterpoint player database and submit their AGM copies regularly as part of mandatory compliance of the National Sports Code, 2011.

I would like to place on record my sincere gratitude to the Executive Members of the committee who have helped in carrying out my duties, my special thanks go to our esteemed President, who has guided me with all his patience, and in no less manor our vice-president Mr. Anand Samant who has been the force behind me. A very special thanks to our most popular joint-secretary TC Pant whose work culture and dedication are exemplary for many to follow.

Finally, I would like to thank all the bridge fraternity for their cooperation and support,

I would like to wish the new Executive Committee great success and I am confident that they will take BFI to greater heights.

Thank you all and look forward to great bridge in the coming year.