



Swami Vivekananda National Football Championship | Chhattisgarh | 20 May 2024

Why in News?

Recently, the [Swami Vivekananda U-20 Men's National Football Championships](#) quarter finals were held at the **Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama Ground, Narainpur, Chhattisgarh.**

Key Points

- **Assam loses the quarter finals** of the Football Championships **to Mizoram.** A total of **32 states participated** in the championship.
- **All India Football Federation (AIFF)** announced the Swami Vivekananda U20 National Football Championship in April 2024.
 - Apart from the newly introduced U20 championship, the AIFF also holds two other men's age group competitions, the Junior NFC and the Sub-Junior NFC.

All India Football Federation (AIFF)

- The AIFF is the **organization that manages the game of association football in India.**
- It administers the running of the India national football team and also controls the I-League, India's premier domestic club competition, in addition to various other competitions and teams.
- The **AIFF was founded in 1937, and gained FIFA affiliation in the year 1948**, after India's independence in 1947.
- Currently, it has an office in Dwarka, New Delhi. India was one of the founding members of the Asian Football Confederation in 1954.

Naxalite killed in Encounter | Chhattisgarh | 20 May 2024

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Recently, a [Naxalite](#) was killed in an exchange of fire with security personnel in **Chhattisgarh's Sukma district.**

Key Points

- The gunfight took place in the morning on a forested hill between Tolnai and Tetrai villages when a team of security personnel was out on an **anti-Naxal operation.**
- With this incident, 105 Naxalites have been killed so far in 2024 in separate encounters with security forces in Chhattisgarh.

Naxalism in India

- The term Naxalism derives its name from the village **Naxalbari of West Bengal**.
- It originated as rebellion against local landlords who bashed a peasant over a land dispute. The rebellion was initiated in 1967, with an objective of rightful redistribution of the land to working peasants under the leadership of **Kanu Sanyal** and **Jagan Santhal**.
- Started in West Bengal, the movement has spread across Eastern India; in less developed areas of states such as Chhattisgarh, Odisha and Andhra Pradesh.
- It is considered that Naxals support **Maoist political sentiments** and ideology.
 - **Maoism** is a form of communism developed by Mao Tse Tung. It is a doctrine to capture State power through a combination of armed insurgency, mass mobilization and strategic alliances.

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