

Swami Vivekananda National Football Championship

Why in News?

Recently, the <u>Swami Vivekananda</u> **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.

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