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Football & Hockey tournament: Last one year, SIGN is putting all its effort in bridging the gap between Sarna Tribals and Christian tribals. These sports,



known for teamwork, discipline, and dedication, can encourage young people to develop a strong sense of camaraderie and mutual respect. Through this tournament, participants not only get the chance to

showcase their skills but also build bonds with peers from different backgrounds and villages. Such events help promote a positive environment where youth can express themselves, work together, and appreciate each other's strengths. In addition, the tournament can foster leadership skills and a sense of responsibility among the youth, helping them become active and engaged members of society.

In this process, SIGN is organizing football match and hockey matches in targeted districts of the project area. On **October 5th**, SIGN organized a football

tournament at Janta High School, Patrachauli Ground in Ranchi. This event brought together 8 teams, with an enthusiastic display of teamwork, sportsmanship, and community spirit. Youth from both the



communities i.e., Sarna as well as Christian participated in the tournament. The tournament concluded with Team Kundi winning first place, Patrachauli securing second, and Mariadih taking third.

Following this, on **October 7th**, another tournament was held in Kalakhajuri,



District Garwa, with 8 teams competing. Team Kobikona emerged as the champions, followed by Bijpur in second place, and Kothani and Salo sharing the third spot.

On 15th and 16th October, foot tournament was organized for girls and Hockey tournament was organized for boys at Khanjalowya.

10 Girls teams participated in the tournament. Team from Sogra emerged as the champion, followed by Bindhaintoli in second place, and Tamra the third spot in Girls' Football tournament, whereas 10 Boys' teams participated in Hockey tournament, where Sogra A Team emerged as the champion, Khanjaloya A Team took the second place, and Tamra A team secured the third spot.

These events created a vibrant atmosphere, encouraging young tribal athletes to



connect, cooperate, and celebrate their shared passion for sports, strengthening unity across the communities. These programs are excellent opportunities for the community to come together, celebrate the talents of young athletes,

and inspire a spirit of unity and cooperation. The friendships and connections made during the tournament contribute to a supportive network among the tribal youth, enhancing community cohesion for years to come.

Cultural Dance and Mausami Rag competition: To honour and rejuvenate the rich cultural heritage of tribal communities, a series of cultural dance and Mausami Raga competitions

were organized in October, bringing together talented teams from various regions. These



events not only celebrated the unique art forms of tribal communities but also fostered unity and pride among participants.

On **October 6th**, a Cultural Tribal Dance competition was held at Patrachauli,



where five teams showcased traditional dances rooted in their heritage. The competition ended with Team Kesaro winning first place, followed by Bajpur in second, and Kundi in third. A week later, on October 13th, another dance competition took place at Tamra Parish in Simdega district. This vibrant event saw the participation of 15 teams, with Bhelwadih securing first place, Konsera

second, and Okhaiduba in third.

In addition, a Mausami Raga Competition was held on **October 11th** at St. Peter's School Ground, Banrikhajuri, Garwa. Six teams competed, with Semra earning the top position, followed by Malti in second, and Bajpur in third. A broader competition later featured 12 teams, with Bhelwadih taking first, Bargidih second, and Shikariatn third.

On 13th October at Tamra 27 teams participated in Mausami Rag and Tribal Dance Competition. Bhewadih team emerged as Champion in Dance competition, followed by Konrera team securing second position and Okhairduba got third position, whereas in Mausami Rag Competition Bhelwadih team came first, Bargitoli came second and Sikriya tand came third.



These events highlighted the beauty and depth of tribal culture, inspiring pride in traditional dance and music while promoting cultural preservation among the youth. By coming together to celebrate their

roots, participants strengthened bonds and kept these cherished art forms alive for future generations