

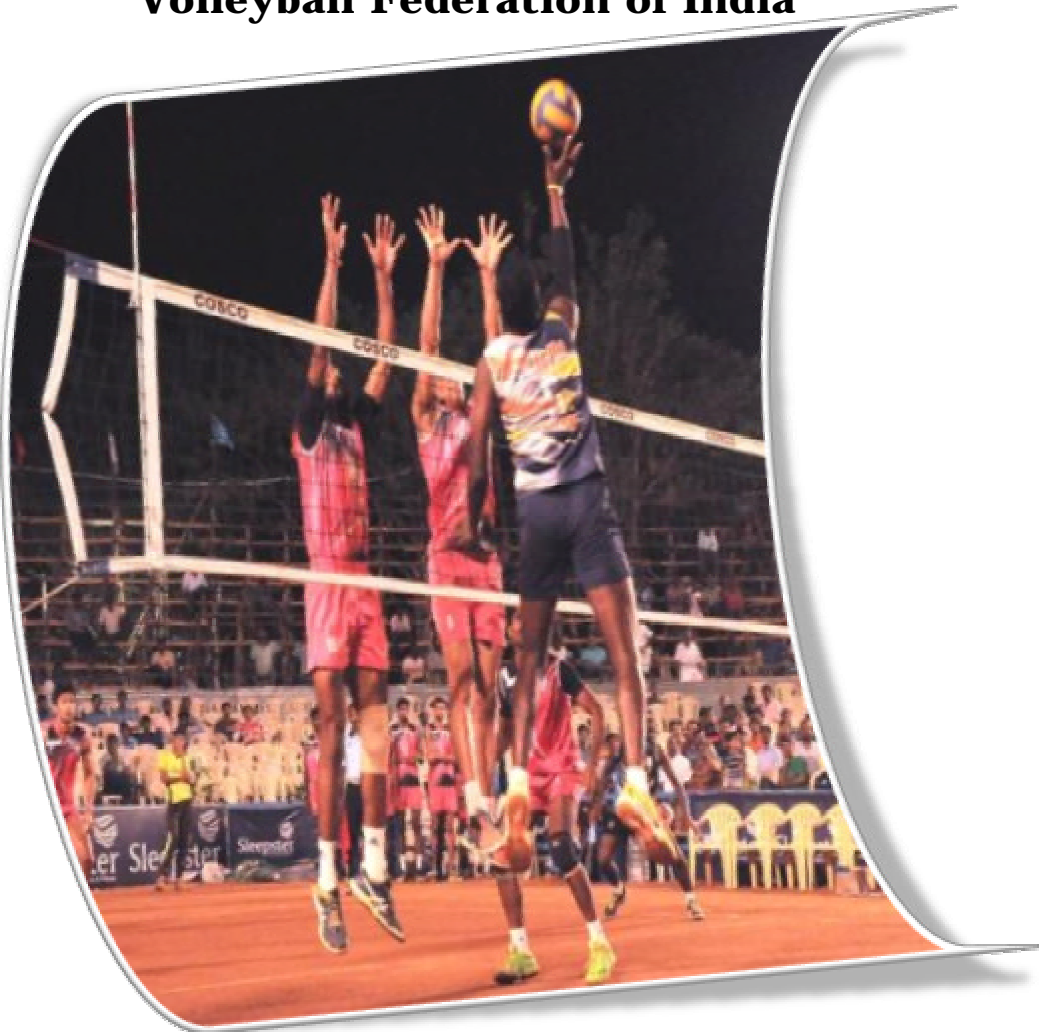
# VOLLEYBALL FEDERATION OF INDIA FEDERATION CUP VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP FOR MEN AND WOMEN



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## Schedule of 18.02.2016

Day 5	18.02.2016			Thursday	
Match No	League Matches			Pool	Time
M 11	Indian Railways	Vs	Uttar Pradesh	B	18:00
M 12	Karnataka	Vs	Uttarakhand	A	19:30
M 13	Tamil Nadu	Vs	Punjab	B	21:00



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## Origin of volleyball

On February 9, 1895, in Holyoke, Massachusetts (USA), William G. Morgan, a YMCA physical education director, created a new game called *Mintonette* as a pastime to be played (preferably) indoors and by any number of players. The game took some of its characteristics from tennis and handball. Another indoor sport, basketball, was catching on in the area, having been invented just ten miles (sixteen kilometers) away in the city of Springfield, Massachusetts, only four years before. *Mintonette* was designed to be an indoor sport, less rough than basketball, for older members of the YMCA, while still requiring a bit of athletic effort.

The first rules, written down by William G Morgan, called for a net 6 ft 6 in (1.98 m) high, a 25 ft × 50 ft (7.6 m × 15.2 m) court, and any number of players. A match was composed of nine innings with three serves for each team in each inning, and no limit to the number of ball contacts for each team before sending the ball to the opponents' court. In case of a serving error, a second try was allowed. Hitting the ball into the net was considered a foul (with loss of the point or a side-out)—except in the case of the first-try serve.

After an observer, Alfred Halstead, noticed the volleying nature of the game at its first exhibition match in 1896, played at the International YMCA Training School (now called Springfield College), the game quickly became known as *volleyball* (it was originally spelled as two words: "volley ball"). Volleyball rules were slightly modified by the International YMCA Training School and the game spread around the country to various YMCAs.

## Refinements and later developments

The first official ball used in volleyball is disputed; some sources say that Spalding created the first official ball in 1896, while others claim it was created in 1900.<sup>[4][5][6]</sup> The rules evolved over time: in the Philippines by 1916, the skill and power of the set and spike had been introduced, and four years later a "three hits" rule and a rule against hitting from the back row were established. In 1917, the game was changed from 21 to 15 points. In 1919, about 16,000 volleyballs were distributed by the American Expeditionary Forces to their troops and allies, which sparked the growth of volleyball in new countries.<sup>[4]</sup>

The first country outside the United States to adopt volleyball was Canada in 1900.<sup>[4]</sup> An international federation, the Fédération Internationale de Volleyball (FIVB), was founded in 1947, and the first World Championships were held in 1949 for men and 1952 for women.<sup>[7]</sup> The sport is now popular in Brazil, in Europe (where especially Italy, the Netherlands, and countries from Eastern Europe have been major forces since the late 1980s), in Russia, and in other countries including China and the rest of Asia, as well as in the United States.<sup>[2][3][7]</sup>

Beach volleyball, a variation of the game played on sand and with only two players per team, became a FIVB-endorsed variation in 1987 and was added to the Olympic program at the 1996 Summer Olympics.<sup>[4][7]</sup> Volleyball is also a sport at the Paralympics managed by the World Organization Volleyball for Disabled.

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### **Volleyball in the Olympics**

The history of Olympic volleyball traces back to the 1924 Summer Olympics in Paris, where volleyball was played as part of an American sports demonstration event.<sup>[11]</sup> After the foundation of FIVB and some continental confederations, it began to be considered for official inclusion. In 1957, a special tournament was held at the 53rd IOC session in Sofia, Bulgaria to support such request. The competition was a success, and the sport was officially included in the program for the 1964 Summer Olympics.

The Olympic volleyball tournament was originally a simple competition: all teams played against each other team and then were ranked by wins, set average, and point average. One disadvantage of this round-robin system is that medal winners could be determined before the end of the games, making the audience lose interest in the outcome of the remaining matches. To cope with this situation, the competition was split into two phases with the addition of a "final round" elimination tournament consisting of quarterfinals, semifinals, and finals matches in 1972. The number of teams involved in the Olympic tournament has grown steadily since 1964. Since 1996, both men's and women's events count twelve participant nations.<sup>[12]</sup> Each of the five continental volleyball confederations has at least one affiliated national federation involved in the Olympic Games.

The U.S.S.R. won men's gold in both 1964 and 1968. After taking bronze in 1964 and silver in 1968, Japan finally won the gold for men's volleyball in 1972. Women's gold went to Japan in 1964 and again in 1976. That year, the introduction of a new offensive skill, the backrow attack, allowed Poland to win the men's competition over the Soviets in a very tight five-set match. Since the strongest teams in men's volleyball at the time belonged to the Eastern Bloc, the American-led boycott of the 1980 Summer Olympics did not have as great an effect on these events as it had on the women's. The U.S.S.R. collected their third Olympic Gold Medal in men's volleyball with a 3–1 victory over Bulgaria (the Soviet women won that year as well, their third gold as well). With the U.S.S.R. boycotting the 1984 Olympic Games in Los Angeles, the U.S. was able to sweep Brazil in the finals to win the men's gold medal. Italy won its first medal (bronze in the men's competition) in 1984, foreshadowing a rise in prominence for their volleyball teams. The 1984 women's tournament was also won by a rising force, China.<sup>[13]</sup>

At the 1988 Games, KarchKiraly and Steve Timmons led the U.S. men's team to a second straight gold medal, and the Soviets won the fourth gold in the women's tournament. In 1992, underrated Brazil upset favourites C.I.S., Netherlands, and Italy in the men's competition for the country's first volleyball Olympic gold medal. Runner-up Netherlands, men's silver medalist in 1992, came back under team leaders Ron Zwerver and Olof van der Meulen in the 1996 Games for a five-set win over Italy. A men's bronze medalist in 1996, Serbia and Montenegro (playing in 1996 and 2000 as the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia) beat Russia in the gold medal match in 2000, winning their first gold medal ever. In all three games the strong Cuban female team led by Regla Torres and Mireya Luis won the Gold medal. In 2004, Brazil won its second men's volleyball gold medal beating Italy in the finals, while China beat Russia for its second women's title. In the 2008 Games, the USA beat Brazil in the men's volleyball final. Brazil was runner-up again at the 2012 Summer Olympics, this time losing to Russia after losing two match points in the third set.<sup>[14]</sup> In both games Brazil's women team beat the United States for the gold medal.<sup>[15]</sup>



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**Action of the Day**



K. Nandakumar, Associate Secretary, VFI being introduced to players along with other dignitaries



Action during match between Uttarakhand & Services



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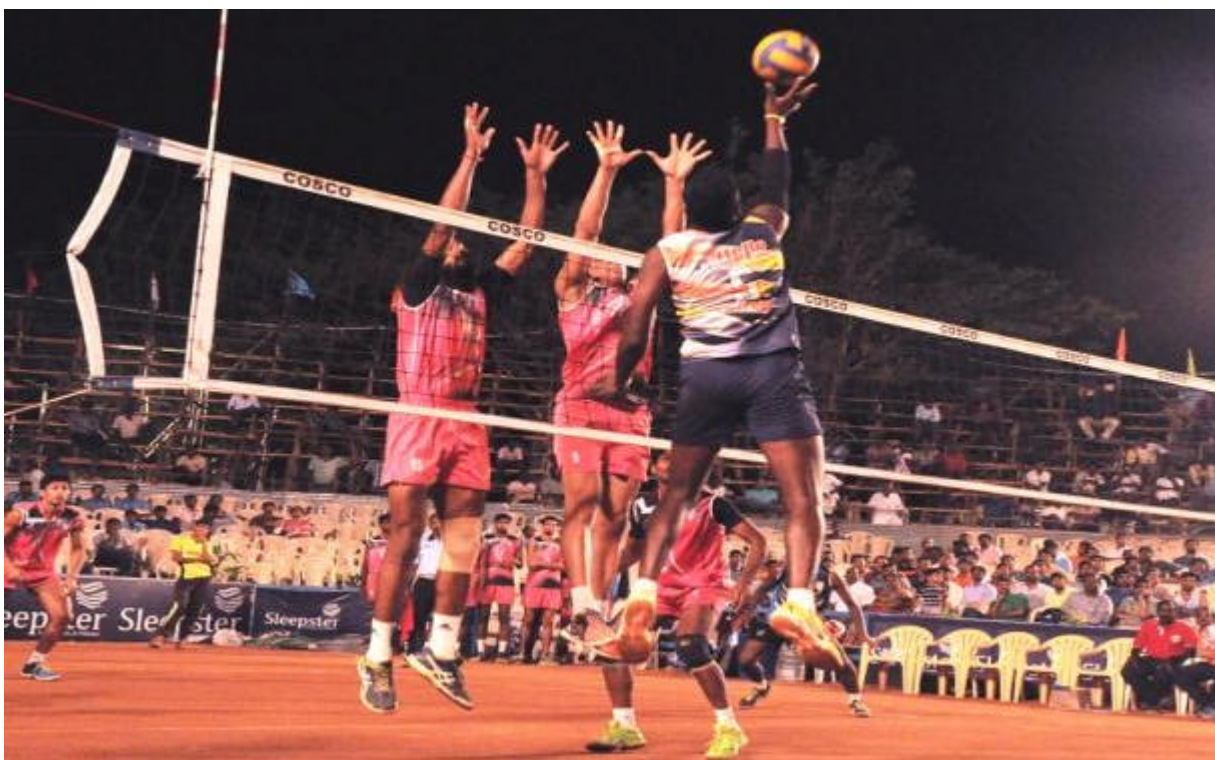
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## **Action of the Day**



Action during women match between Indian Railways & Tamil Nadu



Action during match between Tamil Nadu & Indian Universities Men



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K.Murugan, CEO, Volleyball Federation of India and Life President, Tamilnadu State Volleyball Association, inaugurated the Federation Cup Volleyball Championship.

**Karnataka beat Services in Federation Cup Volleyball**

Tirupur, Feb. 16: Karnataka defeated Services 25-21, 25-23, 25-20 in the 29th Federation Cup volleyball tournament for the Sulochana Trophy at the Nanjappa Boys HSS here.

Earlier, K.Murugan, CEO, Volleyball Federation of India and Life President, Tamilnadu State Volleyball Association inaugurated the Federation Cup Volleyball championship.

The Tirupur Volleyball Trust and Tirupur District Volleyball Association is conducting this event under the auspices of Volleyball Federation and Tamilnadu State Volley-

ball Association.

Though Karnataka started sluggishly, Ashwal Rai's blocks ensured his side was neck and neck in the first set with Services. With captain T.D. Ravi Kumar coming up with some crucial smashes, Karnataka opened up a 22-16 lead and then closed the set out 25-21.

A couple of early smashes by Services blocker Lijo Joseph helped his side take the upper hand in the second set. However, Ashwal came up with three outstanding spikes to see-

battle ensued, and it was soon 21-21.

But, Ashwal produced a superb smash to put his side two sets up.

**TN downs UP**

Tamil Nadu defeated an inexperienced Uttar Pradesh 25-15, 25-15, 25-20 in their Group-B encounter.

For the host, attacker M. Naveen Raja Jacob came up with some good smashes while captain G.R. Vaishnav used his height to good effect to nullify the UP attackers.

Tamil Nadu coach P. Sundaram said the vic-

against Railways and Punjab.

"We had a comfortable win. Uttar Pradesh may not be a strong team but games against Railways and Punjab will be tough and the boys are up for it."

**The results: Men:** Karnataka bt Services 25-21, 25-23, 25-20; Uttarakhnd bt Kerala 25-21, 25-19, 25-18.

**Indian Universities bt** Indian Railways 25-21, 25-25, 25-16, 24-26, 15-13.

**Tamil Nadu bt** Uttar Pradesh 25-25, 25-25, 20.

**Women:** Kerala bt West



**தேசிய கைப்பந்துப் போட்டியில் இந்திய பல்கலைக்கழகம் அபாரம்**

திருப்பூர், 16.2.2016: திருப்பூரில் நடைபெற்று வரும் தேசிய கைப்பந்துப் போட்டியில், ஆண்கள் மற்றும் பெண்கள் அணிகளின் ஆரம்ப வெற்றி பெற்றது.

தேசிய கைப்பந்து அமைப்பின் கீழ் நடைபெற்று வரும் இந்திய பல்கலைக்கழகம் அணி அணி வெற்றி பெற்றது.

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Action during the Indian Universities-Uttar Pradesh match in the Federation Cup volleyball on Tuesday. Indian Universities, mainly Pradesh players from SRM, won in straight sets.

**Indian Universities enters last-four stage**

**RAJAT VISWANATHAN**

**TIRUPUR:** After performing giant-killing acts against National champion Indian Railways and Punjab, Indian Universities registered its third consecutive win by defeating Uttar Pradesh 20-24, 25-21, 25-20 in the men's Group B encounter in the 29th Federation Cup volleyball tournament for the Sulochana Trophy here on Tuesday.

With this win, Indian Universities entered the semifinals.

UP, after its inept display against Tamil Nadu in their first

match, showed signs of improvement.

With two back-to-back matches in the previous nights, Indian Universities looked a bit lackluster, though, did not take full advantage.

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Both teams were neck-and-neck in the first set. IU's R. Angamuthu was brilliant as he defended well and came up with good spikes. Captain Omveer Mann did the same for UP as the score reached 9-9.

Then, IU pulled ahead to make it 21-18. UP fought back to level the score at 24-24, but good smashes by attackers T. Sathishyan and Ramankumar helped IU clinch the first set 20-24.

UP started off well in the second but somehow lost the way in the middle. IU pulled away to make it 17-12. Players from both teams committed errors while serving.

Neat spikes by Nishant Raj and Rajat Choudhary helped UP claw back to make it 17-19. At 21-21, IU's lack of coordination at the net helped IU win four consecutive points and clinch the second set 25-21.

The third set was trending the same way as the first two with both teams locked at 7-7. Soon, IU made it 14-8 when a couple of successful blocks by Saurabh were followed by good spikes. UP made it 14-15 when Choudhary and Omveer effected precise smashes. Lack of concentration cost UP as it continued to lose crucial points.

IU again lifted its game as Angamuthu continued to spike with clinical precision, making it 21-17. UP tried its best but it was too little, as IU closed out the set and the match at 25-20.

"Players are very hungry to do well and prove themselves - so to get selected for the national team. It is a very young team, so we are very happy to reach the semifinals before Punjab, Indian Railways and Tamil Nadu. We are playing really well. We just need to block better," said the Indian Universities coach S. Dakshina Moorthy.

**The results:** Men: Indian Universities bt Uttar Pradesh 20-24, 25-21, 25-20. On Monday Indian Universities bt Punjab 23-25, 25-21, 25-16, 25-18. Women: Tamil Nadu bt West Bengal 25-16, 25-22, 25-13.



**INTENSE TUSSLE:** Indian Universities and Uttar Pradesh fight it out in the 29th Federation Cup volleyball tournament on Tuesday.

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Date: 17.02.2016 (WEDNESDAY)

Day 4 Results (MEN)

Match No	Group	Team	Beat	Team	Set Score	Set 1	Set 2	Set 3	Set 4	Set 5	Total	Duration (Min)
M 8	A	Uttarakhand	Bt.	Services	3-1	25-19	23-25	25-23	25-21	--	98-88	92
1 <sup>st</sup> Referee : Mr. Balaji Prabhu (KAR)			2 <sup>nd</sup> Referee : Mr. Sami Dass (TN)				Scorer : Mr. A. R. Chandra Bose (TN)					

M 09	A	Karnataka	Bt.	Kerala	3-1	21-25	25-23	25-14	27-25	--	98-87	84
1 <sup>st</sup> Referee : Mr. Abdul Samath (TN)			2 <sup>nd</sup> Referee : Mr. K. Kanagaraj (TN)				Scorer : Mr. A. M. Raja (TN)					

M 10	B	Tamil Nadu	Bt.	Indian Universities	3-2	25-19	27-29	22-25	25-18	15-10	114-101	111
1 <sup>st</sup> Referee : Mr. P. P. Anish (KER)			2 <sup>nd</sup> Referee : Mr. Narendra Kshatriya (GUJ)				Scorer : Mr. D. Dayanidhi (TN)					

Date: 17.02.2016 (WEDNESDAY)

Day 4 Results (WOMEN)

Match No	Group	Team	Beat	Team	Set Score	Set 1	Set 2	Set 3	Set 4	Set 5	Total	Duration (Min)
F 02	RRL	Indian Railways	Bt.	Tamil Nadu	3-0	25-16	25-13	25-19	--	--	75-48	62
1 <sup>st</sup> Referee : Mr. Kaushal Sharma (RAJ)			2 <sup>nd</sup> Referee : Mr. Balaji Prabhu (KAR)				Scorer : Mr. P. Sivakumar (TN)					





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