

BFF President's statement for May, 2018

Greetings! Welcome to the briefing of May 2018.

Jamie Day has been appointed as the national men's head coach

The Bangladesh Football Federation has appointed Jamie Day, a British football specialist, as the head coach of Bangladesh Men's National Football Team.

Jamie signed a professional contract with Arsenal. and attended the Football Association's Lilleshall National School in United Kingdom along with footballing greats like Michael Owen, Steven Gerard and Wes Brown. He then went on to represent England at U16, U17 and U-18 level and

Having his career cut short by injuries, Jamie set his ambitions on becoming a full time coach and stewarded the youth teams of Arsenal FC and Charlton Athletic.

Under the personal recommendation of Eddie Howe and Arsene Wenger, he attained his UEFA 'A' Coaching License and moved on to senior coaching in 2009.

Jamie Day won the Conference South title in 2013. As the team was promoted to the Conference Premier, he was named manager of the year for the 2012/13 season. He moved to Gillingham FC as first team coach and most recently was the Assistant Manager for Barrow AFC.

Bangladesh female futsal players impress on debut

Bangladesh national women's futsal team put on a good show in the AFC Women's Futsal Championship 2018 in Thailand despite losing their group games.

The team scored the first goal in their first match against Malaysia.

The team also found the net in their third and final group game against Chinese Taipei.

Despite the losses in group stage Bangladeshi players impressed their opponents and rival coaches with their individual brilliance.

Apart from the valuable game time and experience gathered by the players, Bangladesh's biggest achievement is seeing team captain and country's best footballer Sabina Khatun named among the top three players of the group stage of the competition.

To better understand the achievement of the team, one needs to realize that Malaysia and Vietnam are among the top 10 teams in women's futsal in the world and their players, are between 25 and 35 years of age, very experienced. Besides, both the counties have regular female professional futsal leagues.

So, we hope that with this experience and eventual maturity, the team will see more success in future.

National team residency camp begins

The Bangladesh Olympic Football Team and National Team will participate in the Asian Games 2018 and SAFF Championship 2018 respectively.

In order to deliver the best in the upcoming international tournaments, a preliminary squad consisting of 44 footballers began a residency camp at the BKSP International Hostel premises from May 26, 2018.

The Asian Games 2018 will be hosted in Indonesia from August 15 to 27 and the SAFF Championship 2018 will be hosted in Dhaka from September 4 to 15.

First registration window of BPL 2018 begins July 25

The first registration window of the next season of Bangladesh Premier League (BPL) is scheduled to begin on July 25 and continue till August 30.

From next season, the BPL matches will be played in at least 5 venues and at most 8.

The home teams of each venue will have to use that venue for the next three years.

Moreover, all clubs will be allowed to recruit a maximum of 4 foreign players, among whom 1 must be under the Asian quota.

Moreover, from next season, the U17 football league will be held in league format.

The next football season will commence with the Federation Cup.

Kiron appointed presidential envoy in FIFA World Cup 2018

Mahfuza Akhter Kiron, holding positions in the FIFA Council, AFC and BFF Executive Committee and chairing the BFF Women's Football Committee, will attend the FIFA World Cup 2018, Russia as a presidential envoy and goodwill ambassador.

She will act as the envoy in Ekterinburg Stadium in Russia, where she will be staying from June 8 to July 16.

Kiron will also attend FIFA Congress and its Executive Committee meeting during her stay in Russia.

National School Football Tournament finals from May 30

The final round of National School Football Tournament 2017-18 will begin from May 30 in Dhaka.

The tournament began on May 7, 2018 in 7 venues across Bangladesh, with many schools participating in the competition.

Following preliminary and knockout rounds, the final rounds will take place in capital city with the finalists.

Tangail clinches JFA U14 National Women's Football Championship 2018

Tangail district won the JFA U14 National Women's Football Championship 2018 beating Thakurgaon 3-0 in the final.

The matches of the first round of JFA U14 National Women's Football Championship 2018 were held from April 24-27, 2018 at six venues.

Then the final round of the significant domestic women's competition began on April 30 at Bir Sreshtha Shahid Sipahi Md Mostafa Kamal Stadium, Kamlapur with the participation of top eight districts of the preliminary round.

BFF Lottery 2018 draw held

The draw ceremony of BFF lottery 2018 was held at 11:00am at the BFF House in Motijheel on Saturday, May 26.

Congratulations to all the winners!

The lottery was initiated with the aim to collect funds for the federation, which will be used for finding and nurturing footballing youngsters and for developing football in the grassroots.

The tickets for the lottery were in the market from March 13, 2018.

B and A Licence Course Student Tutorials arranged

Following the completion of Part 2 of the B and A Licence courses, we have been busy organizing personal student tutorials.

This is part of our continued support to these coaches on our and AFC courses in their pursuit for completion of the post courses tasks.

BFF Coaches

We have now completed the induction programme for our regional group of coaches.

We have managed to increase the numbers of coaches from previous years and we have changed the emphasis and approach to what their role is.

We hope to provide added support and continued assistance across the districts and divisions in Bangladesh.