

STAGS ANNUAL REPORT

*"I am a member of a team, and
I rely on the team, I defer to it
and sacrifice for it, because the
team, not the individual, is the
ultimate champion."*



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STAGS TRIALS: UNLEASHING SIMS' SPORTING TALENT



STAGS (Sports Council, SIMS) recently conducted trials for 24 sports, offering students the opportunity to represent SIMS at the SIU and AIU levels. More than just a selection process, the trials were a testament to passion, perseverance, and the unbreakable spirit of sportsmanship. Held across multiple venues, the EME Ground witnessed intense football and cricket clashes, while the Turf became the battlefield for Best Physique and futsal. DSRW roared with high-energy basketball and volleyball matches, and at Sportygen Badminton Arena, swift reflexes and precision left spectators in awe. Athletes pushed their limits, proving their dedication as coaches and senior players scouted for raw talent and determination.

Beyond securing spots on the teams, these trials were about comebacks, first-time breakthroughs, and relentless pursuit of excellence. Some exceptional athletes didn't stop at SIU but went on to compete at the national AIU level, showcasing SIMS' sporting caliber.

With each trial, SIMS reinforces its reputation not just as an academic hub but as a powerhouse of athletic talent. The journey of these athletes inspires future aspirants, proving that with grit, hard work, and STAGS' support, there are no limits—only new heights to conquer!





SIMS SQUASH TOURNAMENT 2024: A THRILLING SHOWDOWN!

The SIMS Squash Tournament 2024, held from 21st to 23rd August, was a high-energy spectacle filled with fierce competition and outstanding performances!

Leading the charge, Nikita Pandey (Batch 2023-2025) secured the Bronze medal, showcasing skill and determination. Alongside her, Abhimanyu Deswal, Vikrant Jeet Singh Rathore (Batch 2024-2026), and Arunjai Agarwal (Batch 2023-2025) put up commendable fights, proving that participation is just as important as victory!

The tournament wasn't just about medals—it was about passion, perseverance, and the true spirit of sportsmanship. With such electrifying performances, SIMS athletes are ready to take on bigger challenges ahead!



CHESS TOURNAMENT 2024: A BATTLE OF MINDS

On 27th August 2024, SZIMS Khadki witnessed an intense display of strategy and intellect at the SIMS Chess Tournament. Players from different batches competed fiercely, proving that chess is not just a game but a test of patience, skill, and tactical thinking.

The tournament featured Ayush Kumar, Sahil Saini, and Ashish Kumar (Batch 2024-2026), along with Shanu S and Yash Jadhav (Batch 2023-2025), who showcased remarkable performances. Every move on the board was a calculated step toward victory, with players displaying exceptional concentration and resilience.

While all participants gave their best, the event was more than just competition—it was about sportsmanship, learning, and sharpening strategic abilities. The tournament highlighted SIMS' commitment to intellectual growth alongside academic and physical excellence.



SIMS BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS: A SLAM DUNK VICTORY!

On 9th September 2024, the Lavale Hilltop witnessed an electrifying showdown as the SIMS Boys' Basketball Team dominated the court and emerged victorious! Led by an unstoppable squad—including Rishav Rawat, Naman Singh, Syed Musa Mehdi Rizvi, Anirudh Sihorkar, Vinamra Ghildiyal, Abhishek Yadav, Moksh M Surange, Kaif Parvez Rizvi, Rukunjeet Singh, Atharva Arvind Kangane, Dhruv Raj Singh Jhala, and Vedit Sahai—the team showcased exceptional teamwork, skill, and resilience.

From intense dribbles to jaw-dropping three-pointers, every moment was filled with adrenaline and passion. The team's strategic plays and unwavering spirit led them to a well-deserved championship win!



VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONS: A SMASH HIT VICTORY!

From 2nd to 6th August 2024, the SIMS Volleyball Team delivered a spectacular performance, clinching the championship title with sheer dominance and teamwork!

Led by an unstoppable squad—Ashish Kumar, Virender Nehra, Rushikesh Sanjay Sathe, Vishesh Panwar, Vishal Singh Kushwah, Rishav Rawat, Rishant Kumar Yadav, Hemant N Shinde, Pawan, Aryan Dhiman, Abhinav Sharma, and Gourav Thombre—the team showcased agility, precision, and unbreakable spirit on the court.

Every spike, block, and dive electrified the matches, keeping the audience on edge. Their unwavering determination and seamless coordination led them to a well-deserved championship win!



SIMS POWERLIFTING TRIUMPH: STRENGTH, DEDICATION, AND GLORY

The DSRW facility at SIMS roared with energy on August 23rd and 24th, 2024, as STAGS (Sports Council, SIMS) successfully organized an electrifying Powerlifting Championship. With weeks of meticulous planning and coordination, the entire STAGS team worked tirelessly to ensure a seamless event, setting the stage for intense competition. The championship saw overwhelming participation from SIMS students, each demonstrating exceptional strength, determination, and sportsmanship. The SIMS Powerlifting Team put forth an inspiring performance, earning accolades that further cemented the institute's reputation in the sports community.

Glorious Achievements

Thanks to their remarkable lifts and unwavering grit, SIMS was proudly declared the Best Institute in the Female Category and secured 2nd place in the Male Category overall. These victories are a testament to the dedication, discipline, and relentless effort of our athletes. Beyond individual success, this event highlighted the team spirit and competitive edge that define SIMS sports culture. The unwavering support from spectators, coaches, and fellow students played a crucial role in driving the athletes to push their limits.

As SIMS continues to make strides in sports, this powerlifting championship stands as a symbol of passion, perseverance, and excellence. Congratulations to all the participants and organizers for making this event a resounding success!



UNLEASHING THE CHAMPION SPIRIT: A YEAR OF TRIUMPHS & GROWTH

A Year of Sporting Excellence

The 2024-25 season was a landmark year for the Sports Council, with athletes competing across 26 sports and delivering outstanding performances. From the adrenaline-fueled moments in football and basketball to the precision and endurance displayed in badminton and swimming, every event reflected the hard work and dedication of our players. The commitment to excellence was evident in the number of podium finishes, proving that SIU's sporting culture continues to grow stronger each year.

Medals and Achievements

Basketball emerged as one of the most competitive sports, with the men's team securing a gold medal after a series of intense matches, while the women's team claimed a well-fought silver. In football, the men's team demonstrated remarkable resilience, reaching the finals and earning silver, while the women's team made it to the semifinals, showing great promise for the future.

Badminton was another highlight of the season, with victories in both singles and doubles categories. The men's singles champion secured a gold medal, while the women's doubles team earned silver. Volleyball also saw strong performances, with the men's team winning bronze and the women's team narrowly missing out on a medal after a hard-fought campaign.

Cricket brought excitement with an undefeated streak leading up to the finals, where the team finished with silver. Swimming saw exceptional individual performances, including a gold in freestyle and butterfly events, along with a bronze in the relay category. Strength-based sports such as powerlifting and taekwondo also witnessed success, with multiple medals won across different weight categories. Chess, table tennis, and squash players showcased strategic brilliance, adding more silverware to SIU's collection.

Beyond the Medals

While victories on the field were celebrated, the year also saw progress in other areas. The National Sports Day and SymbiFit events were a great success, encouraging students to engage in fitness and wellness activities beyond competitive sports. There was also a noticeable rise in participation in newer sports like futsal and dance sport, reflecting the growing interest in diverse athletic disciplines.

One of the key takeaways from this season was the increase in female participation across various sports, signaling a positive shift toward greater inclusivity. However, challenges such as scheduling conflicts and the need for improved training facilities remain areas to address in the coming year.

Looking Ahead

The achievements of this season have set a high benchmark, but the goal remains to push even further. With better training programs, improved facilities, and a continued focus on emerging talent, the Sports Council aims to build on this momentum and achieve even greater success. The passion, determination, and team spirit displayed this year have proven that SIU is on the path to becoming a powerhouse in collegiate sports.



SYMBI FIT 2024-2025: A CELEBRATION OF STRENGTH, ENDURANCE, AND DETERMINATION

Symbi Fit 2024-2025 was a celebration of fitness, determination, and resilience. Students from across institutes participated in rigorous challenges, pushing their limits and showcasing their athletic excellence.

In the male category, Ritik Lamba (2nd Year) secured 1st place, followed by Gourav Thombre (1st Year) in 2nd place, and Subodh Lama (2nd Year) in 3rd place. In the female category, Pooja Choudhary (2nd Year) earned a well-deserved 3rd place, highlighting the growing presence of women in competitive fitness.

Beyond competition, Symbi Fit promoted a culture of health and perseverance, inspiring students to embrace fitness as a way of life. With increasing participation each year, this event continues to set new standards of excellence.

Congratulations to all the winners and participants for their incredible performances. Their dedication is a testament to the spirit of sportsmanship and fitness at SIU.



STAGS SHINES AT THE NATIONAL ALUMNI MEET WITH A SUMMER OF SPORTS



The National Alumni Meet at SIMS was a grand celebration of nostalgia, achievements, and creativity, bringing together alumni and students for an unforgettable experience. Organized by the Alumni Cell, the event featured thematic stalls by all clubs and cells, each representing a different season of India. STAGS (Sports Council, SIMS) took on the vibrant theme of summer, symbolizing the heat, energy, and intensity of sports.

The STAGS stall was more than just a display of trophies and accolades—it was an interactive sports zone! Students and alumni engaged in Box Cricket, Futsal, and Chess, bringing out their competitive spirit in a fun, engaging way. The stall became a hotspot of enthusiasm, camaraderie, and friendly challenges, perfectly capturing the essence of summer—fast-paced, exciting, and full of action!

Beyond the games, the stall showcased SIMS' sporting excellence, highlighting the remarkable achievements of its athletes at SIU and AIU levels. Alumni revisited their sporting memories, sharing their journeys and inspiring the next generation of SIMS athletes.

With its blend of competition, creativity, and nostalgia, the National Alumni Meet was a resounding success, proving once again that at SIMS, sports and spirit go hand in hand!

DNSO 2024: A CELEBRATION OF SPORTS, TEAMWORK, AND LEGACY

STUDENTS:-

500+



The Deshpande and Nandal Sports Olympiad (DNSO) 2024, organized by STAGS (Sports Council, SIMS), took place on 14th-15th December at the EME Ground, honoring a senior sports member for their dedication to SIMS' sports culture.

With 550 participants, the event featured male and female teams competing across five sports: Box Cricket, Badminton, Volleyball, Futsal, and Basketball. The tournament opened with Box Cricket's mixed-gender teams, followed by intense Badminton singles and doubles matches. Volleyball and Futsal matches displayed teamwork and strategic play, while Basketball wrapped up the event with high-energy showdowns.

The senior batch claimed the overall championship, excelling across multiple sports. The winners were awarded trophies, medals, and cash prizes worth ₹30,000 during a grand prize distribution ceremony. A heartfelt tribute to the honored senior made the event unforgettable. DNSO 2024 not only fostered competitive spirit but also provided students with valuable leadership and event management experience, strengthening SIMS' legacy of sportsmanship, inclusivity, and holistic development.



HIGHLIGHTS



Volleyball brought intense rallies and teamwork, culminating in a thrilling final. Futsal, one of the most anticipated events, witnessed tactical brilliance and edge-of-the-seat action.

Basketball wrapped up the tournament with fast breaks, sharp shooting, and a nail-biting finale.

HAPPY HEALTHY CAMPUS: A CELEBRATION OF WELLNESS AT SIMS

"Stronger Minds, Healthier Bodies, Happier Campus!"



"ENERGIZE, REVITALIZE, THRIVE – SIMS LIVES HEALTHY!"



The Happy Healthy Campus event, held on January 16, 2025, near the Academic Block, was a vibrant celebration of fitness, well-being, and community spirit. Students, faculty, and staff came together in sports-appropriate attire to participate in a series of engaging activities designed to promote a healthier lifestyle. From high-energy Zumba sessions and thrilling rappelling challenges to nostalgic Back to School games and competitive sports like badminton, futsal, and chess, the event had something for everyone.

A special highlight of the day was the presence of Director, Brig. (Dr.) Rajiv Divekar, whose encouragement and active participation set the tone for the event. Deputy Director, Dr. Pravin Kumar Bhoyar added a musical touch by playing the djembe, while Campus Admin, Air Commodore Visawjit Vasudev Dedgaonkar ensured the smooth execution of the event. Mr. Tajamul, Faculty-in-Charge, Sports Cell, and the DSRW team, led by Mr. Vivek and Mr. Ronnie, played a crucial role in planning and execution, making the event a grand success.

The seamless organization was made possible by the support of the Academic Team, faculty members, and enthusiastic student volunteers. The Production House captured every exciting moment, while the Branding Cell amplified the event's reach across campus. The overwhelming participation and enthusiasm of students brought the event to life, making it a truly inspiring celebration of health and wellness.

Happy Healthy Campus was more than just a fitness event—it was a powerful reminder of the importance of holistic well-being. The success of this initiative sets the stage for future events that continue to foster a healthier and happier SIMS community.



ORION 2025: A THRILLING SPORTS EXTRAVAGANZA AT SIMS

Orion 2025, a dynamic inter-college event organized by the Event Cell of SIMS, brought together sports and competition in an electrifying two-day spectacle. Held on the 15th and 16th of February, the event saw enthusiastic participation from SIMS Khadki and colleges across Pune.

A major highlight of Orion was the high-energy Futsal and Box Cricket matches, efficiently conducted by STAGS (Sports Council, SIMS). The Turf became a battlefield where teams clashed in nail-biting encounters, showcasing strategic gameplay, teamwork, and sheer athleticism.

With intense matches, roaring crowds, and a competitive spirit running high, Orion 2025 successfully fostered sportsmanship and inter-college camaraderie. The event was not just about winning—it was about pushing boundaries, celebrating talent, and strengthening SIMS' reputation as a hub for both academic and athletic excellence.

Orion 2025 set a new benchmark, leaving participants eager for the next edition, where the spirit of competition and passion for sports will once again take center stage!



CLOSING NOTE

From electrifying matches at DNSO to the adrenaline rush of Orion and the energy of Happy Healthy, SIMS has been buzzing with unstoppable sporting action! These events weren't just competitions—they were a showcase of grit, passion, and pure determination.

Every sprint, every goal, and every victory pushed boundaries, proving that SIMS athletes don't just play the game—they own it! With each event raising the bar, the spirit of sportsmanship and excellence continues to soar.

This is just the beginning—bigger wins, tougher battles, and even greater achievements lie ahead. The game is on, and SIMS is ready to dominate!

