

Name: Bhupender Singh, DOB: 16/01/2001, Position: Forward/Winger, Father's Name- Ramesh Singh,

Birthplace: Champawat, Uttarakhand, Domicile: Gwalior, M.P

Strength: High Speed, game sense and discipline

Achievements: Adjudged as the best player in CBSE National Clusters

Milestone: Reached the final stage of U-17 World Cup India Camp

School: Aster Public School

Bhupender was selected by Sudeva's scouting team during the Grassroots and youth trial conducted in 2015. He is part of Sudeva's foundation batch and since the inception of Sudeva's Residential football School in May 2016, He has been given the facility of Boarding, Lodging, Training and Schooling. As part of our commitment towards striking a balance between sports and academics, we are also providing regular tuition to the child.

Bhupender started playing football at the age of 12. The seed of playing football was sown in him when as a kid he saw Cristiano Ronaldo play for Manchester United on his television set. Gradually he started playing football and realized when he gets on to the ground he forgets everything happening in his life and the outside world. Like every traditional Indian family, his family was not very supportive of the fact that he wanted to choose football as a career path. Though they recognized and supported his passion and talent for the support in the absence of a correct platform they were apprehensive. However, their apprehensions subsided when he was selected in the residential football programme of Sudeva.

For Bhupender, living far away from his family has not been easy. Every now and then he has faced a financial crunch when he has to purchase football boots or other football related equipment. Sustaining his passion for football has not been easy. In a society which is still at a nascent stage to recognize football as a professional career, it is needless to say that the hurdles have been many. However, his undying passion and his hardwork have been his biggest assets.

Currently, he plays as a key forward line player in Sudeva's U-18 I-League team. In a short span of two years, Bhupender has been part of the winning squad of Abdul Quddos Cup. In 2016-17 U-16 youth I-League, Sudeva FC remained undefeated in the Delhi Zone and qualified for the national round of I-League, not only was he an integral part of this squad he was also the 2nd most goal scorer in the league throughout the country. At this young age he has played the Senior Division of Delhi League. The biggest moment in his footballing journey came when he was selected for the U-17 India World Cup Camp. However, quite ironically this was also one of the biggest heartbreaks for him as he missed a chance to be in the final squad for the U-17 World Cup by a whisker. He was eliminated at the final stages from the World Cup camp.

His favourite player is Cristiano Ronaldo. He considers his parents as his biggest source of inspiration.

We at Sudeva are happy to have him with us and are committed towards giving quality education and sports training to each kid that we select. Through a proactive and robust scouting system we select kids from different parts of the country and give them a platform that will lead to their overall development.

Sudeva is an organization which was started in 2014 by two young entrepreneurs, **Mr. Anuj Gupta** (Solicitor in England) and **Mr. Vijay Hakari** (Environmentalist) sharing a common passion for raising the standards of football training in the country. The organization runs grassroots programs for potential talent, starting from the age of 9 years, right up to the senior level. Along with running a residential academy, we are a 2nd Division I-League club having teams in all I-league categories.

Our organization is section 12A, 80G and CSR compliant.

