

Name: Vanlalzahawma, DOB: 25/12/2001, Position: Midfielder, Father's Name- Lalpianthara

Birthplace: Mizoram, Domicile: Mizoram

Strength: Accurate Passing & Good game sense

Achievements: Adjudged as the best player in Delhi throughout various platforms

Milestone: Was the only boy to be selected from Delhi who went to Old Trafford on a week-

Long tour where he stayed with the squad of Manchester United

Present College: Zakir Hussain College

Vanlalzahawma fondly known as Zoma within the club 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. To strike a balance between sports and academics we provide these kids regular tuitions.

Zoma started playing football at the age of 9. It was Zoma's friends that recognized his talent at an early age and pushed him to take up football seriously. Zoma started his football career with Magic Bus in the year 2011. In 2012 West Bromovich Albion hosted scholarship trials at Magic Bus ground wherein Zoma was adjudged as the 2nd best player. In many ways this was a turning point in Zoma's footballing journey because this event caused a significant chain of events in Zoma's footballing journey. West Bromovich went on to tie up with the Youth Football International at the American Embassy School and it was here that Zoma got recognition from international coaches and won several awards. Soon he was adjudged the best player of OLY-Delhi Youth League.

In 2015 Manchester United Soccer School came for talent search at the American School and more than 600 players came to give trials. It was zoma who stood first. Former Manchester United defender Mr. Mikael Silvestre really liked zoma's style of play and laid the platform for him.

Zoma traveled to Old Trafford and spent 1 entire week with the complete squad of Manchester United. This one week was nothing short of a dream for Zoma and he cherishes this memory that is still clearly etched in his mind. However, when he came back from Greater Manchester he realized that he needed to get into serious fulltime training. This is when Zoma gave trials in Sudeva and was selected.

Currently, he plays as a key midfielder in Sudeva's U-18 I-League team. In a short span of two years, Zoma 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, he was an integral part of this squad. At this young age he has also played in Senior

Division of Delhi League. Despite all his achievements at such a young age, he regrets not being selected for the U-17 World Cup India Camp. Zoma's father is a JCO (Junior Commissioned Officer) in the Indian Army and his mother is a homemaker. He considers his parents and friends as his biggest pillars of support.

His favourite player Lionel Messi and he is a diehard Barcelona fan.

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.

