

# Football Centre In Pune To Launch Courses In International Football Refereeing & Coaching

Football centre in Pune shows the way.....

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The Abhijit Kadam Football Development Centre (AKFDC) in Pune is the world's first centre which aims at creating football industry professionals.

In a joint venture between Bharati Vidyapeeth, Cheshire based International Football company Kick Worldwide, & [Liverpool](#), the centre have announced the launch of its first courses.

The [AKFDC](#) have announced the first ever International Refereeing Course and International Coaching Course, which will be conducted from 19th of April by the English FA.

The director of the AKFDC, Kuldeep Gaikwad said that the coaches who will be completing the International Coaching Course at AKFDC will be also allowed to move to England (only within FA jurisdiction), and will be considered competent at the technical requirements of a Level 1 coach.

Those completing the International Refereeing course at AKFDC will be recognized as a qualified referee in England and as such will be able to take up the whistle immediately.

The above course will have 24 students per batch and has been endorsed by the All India Football Federation ([AIFF](#)).

Keith Buller a qualified referee and Referees Development Officer for Somerset Football Association, where his role is to recruit, retain and train referees within the county, and Richard Melin a qualified FA Referee Instructor and now recognized as an FA Referee Tutor will be traveling down to Pune to Conduct the Certificate Course in Refereeing and Coaching.

The fee for both the courses will be Rs 22,000 which includes an Original FA kit worth INR 10,000.

This Refereeing and Coaching Kit will include footballs, disc markers, coaching manuals, t-shirts, kitbags, digital watches, whistles, yellow/red cards, record cards, flags, flag sticks etc.



So Are The Indian Football Fans Ready To Question?