

# Bhaichung Stadium

Namchi, Sikkim

**Design, supply and installation of synthetic turf for football along with base construction followed by FIFA Certification conforming to FIFA Quality Pro**

**Date of Project Completion:** January 2021

**Surface:** TigerTurf Atomic Pro 60 (FIFA Quality Pro, FIFA Quality, FIH Multi-sport category 5)

**Base Construction:** Dynamic stone base along with sub soil drainage



Namchi, meaning sky high, is nestled amongst the Himalayas at an elevation of 5,500 feet and commands a panoramic view of snow-capped mountains and vast stretches of the valley. It is also the headquarters of the south district of the state of Sikkim. The area is fast developing into a tourist destination with its immense potential for all round tourist activities.

Named after one of India's greatest football legends, Bhaichung Bhutia, this stadium is the first FIFA Quality Pro certified football field in all of north-east India and the second of its kind in India on the date of testing!

"The Gold Cup" football tournament is slated to held in the Bhaichung Stadium almost every year. The national teams of India, Nepal, Bangladesh and Bhutan vie for the top honour, which draws enthusiastic crowds not only from all over Sikkim, but the entire region as well.

The construction and installation team at Altius Sports did a commendable job, despite the challenges they faced, including the pandemic and subsequent lockdown. Using the best in technology in terms of grading the base during construction, to ensuring proper gluing of the seams and the right amount of infill levels, the team ensured that the field passed with flying colours to achieve the highest recognition from FIFA and the entire system be certified to the highest category – FIFA Quality Pro.

TigerTurf, a FIFA Licensee, and Altius Sports, an ISO certified company in the field of sports' infrastructure, together make high quality, immaculate workmanship and advanced product technology a real possibility for players and sports' lovers alike. Our collaboration literally owns every step of the process from raw material, to finished product, design to installation, supply to maintenance. And all for the love of the sport.



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