

Football: Halangbazaar beat Sikla, sail to final



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HANTIGIRI NARZARY, KOKRAJHAR: Halangbazaar Indian Star Youth [Sports](#) Club in Kokrajhar beat Bardwi Sikla [Sports](#) Club from Kachugaon by 4-3 goals in tie breaker shots to storm into the final of the Kanakeswar [Narzary](#) Memorial Football Trophy at Rup Nath Brahma ground at Ramfalbill in Kokrajhar. Fwilao Basumatary scored his lone goal in 50th minutes on behalf of For Halangbazaar while Lwitw Basumatary of Bardwi Sikla reduced the goal scored in 75th minutes in the second half and led the match draw 1-1. Later,organisers conducted the match tie-breaker where Halangbazaar beat Bardwi Sikla by 4-3 goals. Barhungka Athletic Club,Kokrajhar will take on Laimwn [Sports](#) Club,Aflagaon in the second semi final on Saturday.

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GUWAHATI, August 17, 2026 — Assam journalist Pranay Bordoloi marked India's Independence Day with a remarkable achievement, successfully climbing Mount Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest peak, and unfurling a traditional Assamese *phulam gamocha* at the summit.

Located in Tanzania, Mount Kilimanjaro stands at 19,341 feet (5,895 metres) above sea level.

Bordoloi began his expedition on August 10 and completed a challenging five-day trek through rugged terrain, reaching the base camp on August 14. Later that night, at around 11 pm, he began his final push towards the summit and successfully reached the top on the morning of August 15.

The achievement gave the climb a special significance as the traditional Assamese *gamocha* was unfurled atop one of Africa's most iconic mountains on India's Independence Day.

Several mountaineers from Assam have previously scaled Mount Kilimanjaro, including Manish Deka, Hedayat Ali and Anupam Das. Bordoloi's Independence Day summit adds another chapter to Assam's presence on the world's major mountain peaks.



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