

Dhaka, Apr 11:

Twelve Bangladeshi young footballers, six boys and as many girls, will leave for Washington D.C, U.S.A tomorrow in a campaign where they will participate in various activities including playing football, teambuilding and leadership activities, meeting with different US sports organizations. They will also attend the workshops on current issues, visit important historical sites along with a lot of cultural activities.

“This is a great opportunity for these youngsters. They will play new sports and visit new places which will increase their courage to play in different conditions. It will also make them and their family more interested in football,” said Kazi Nabil Ahmed, vice president of Bangladesh Football Federation and chairman of BFF development committee, while declaring the names of the players in a press briefing at BFF House, today.

The girls team leader and deputy chairperson of BFF’s women’s football committee Mahfuza Akhter Kiron told, “They (the players) will learn a lot there which they will apply later when they will be playing for their country.”

The group is invited by U.S.A. Cultural and Education bureau. The U.S. government will bear all the expenses of the April 13-23 tour. The age group coaches of BFF have selected the teams and Satyajit Das Rupu, an executive committee member of BFF, will lead the boys’ team. Women’s committee chairman and BFF executive committee member Sirajul Islam Bachchu was present in the press conference along with the BFF general secretary Al Musabbir Sadi.

The Male Team –

- Satyajit Das Rupu (team leader)
- Topu Barman
- Sohel Rana
- Md. Masud Rana
- Omar Faruk Babu
- Md. A. S. Yusuf Sifat
- Rubel Miya

The Female Team –

- Mahfuja Akhter (team leader)
- Sabina Khatun
- Khaleda Khatun
- Sharmin Akhter Lima
- Anjoman Khondokar Shanto
- Jany Chakma
- Baly Khatun