

The Rise of Futsal in Indonesia



Futsal has become one of the most popular sports in Indonesia, particularly among students.

Across the country, futsal courts are commonly found in schools from elementary to high school, making it one of the most accessible sports for young people. Because it requires smaller space and fewer players, futsal naturally grew within school environments and urban communities.

With strong grassroots interest, the growth of youth competitions, a more competitive domestic ecosystem, and the arrival of high-quality coaches, Indonesia's national futsal team has continued to develop.



A Strong Grassroots Ecosystem

In recent years, Indonesia has seen the emergence of independent competitions that strengthen the futsal pathway.

Most notable examples are: Futsal Series & Axis Nation Cup - nationwide school tournaments connecting students from across Indonesia

These competitions have helped:

Build a structured talent pipeline

Increase youth participation

Identify the next generation of national team players

The development of these grassroots tournaments is now seen as a key driver behind Indonesia's improving futsal performance.



Indonesia's Futsal Golden Generation

Indonesia's futsal national team has become increasingly competitive in Southeast Asia and Asia recently. The AFC Futsal Asian Cup 2026, hosted in Indonesia, the Indonesia national team reached the final before narrowly losing to Iran in a dramatic penalty shootout.

This current squad, led by Hector Suoto since 2024, is widely considered Indonesia's futsal golden generation.

Key Achievements since 2024:

A. 2026 AFC Futsal Asian Cup - Runners-Up

B. 2025 SEA Games - Champions

C. 2024 ASEAN Futsal Championship - Champions



What's next?

Looking ahead, Indonesia
has set a clear ambition:



**Qualify for
the FIFA Futsal
World Cup
2028!**