



## QF RECREATION CENTER TEAM WINS 'ELJAISH - QATAR FOUNDATION YOUTH FOOTBALL CUP'

*QF Recreation Center Defeats Evolution Sports Academy in Final*

**Doha, Qatar, April 23, 2017:** Qatar Foundation Recreation Center has won the 'Eljaish - Qatar Foundation Youth Football Cup', held recently at Awsaj Academy, after beating Evolution Sports Academy 4 – 1 in the final match. The match was attended by parents and spectators who cheered the junior players. Future Football Academy came third after beating Qatar Academy – Doha 6 – 5.

Mr. Rashid Al-Kaabi, manager of Eljaish's first team, accompanied by Mr. Mohammed Al Saoud, Head of Recreation Services, Qatar Foundation (QF), distributed the medals to the winning teams. Eljaish Sports Club presented a memorial shield to QF officials, in addition to a jersey signed by the players in a gesture of appreciation.

Seven teams from different schools and sports academies across Qatar took part in the tournament organized as part of the corporate social responsibility strategy of Eljaish Sports Club. Held to discover and develop the talents of junior football players, the tournament was also designed to connect schools and clubs in Qatar.

The participating teams included Qatar Foundation Recreation Center, Qatar Academy – Doha, Evolution Sports Academy, Premier League Academy, Future Football Academy, Pro Inter Soccer, and QSports.

As part of the competition, each team included players from Eljaish's first division football team, providing young players with an inspirational and educational experience.

Mohamed Methnani, a player at Eljaish Sports Club, said that such competitions contribute to the development of young players. Mourad Naji, another player at the club, commended the interest paid by his club to participating in community events, emphasizing that this practice will yield fruitful outcomes for sports in Qatar generally, and for football in particular.

Mr. Al-Kaabi commented on the tournament, saying: "What is great about this tournament is that we have seen many promising players from different nationalities. We expect that these players will have a great future in the coming years."

Mr. Al Saoud expressed his happiness for the resounding success of the event, commending the collaboration between Eljaish Sports Club and Qatar Foundation. "The objectives of the



tournament were to promote the importance of team spirit and fair play, to spread the values of sport, discover talented players, and to foster a greater awareness about the importance of

leading active lives. This also reflects QF's ethos of promoting healthy lifestyles from an early age and nurturing social engagement," Mr. Al Saoud explained.

Mr. Khamis Mubarak Al-Kuwari, Secretary General of Eljaish Sports Club, said the tournament observed the slogan of 'Play for Glory' under which it was held. He confirmed that the success of this tournament will inspire the young players and encourage them to follow their dreams.

Mr. Al-Kuwari said: "We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to Qatar Foundation. We hope to continue our collaboration in the future by sharing our experiences in different fields of sports, raising awareness of the importance of health and fitness to all children. We take pride in playing such a role in our community and endeavor to achieve our mission and fulfill our social responsibilities."

#### **Image Captions:**

**Image 1:** Eljaish Sports Club player Mourad Naji who participated in the recent 'Eljaish - Qatar Foundation Youth Football Cup'.

**Image2:** Eljaish Sports Club players Yousuf Muftah, Ahmed Moein, and Mohamed Methnani who took part in the recent 'Eljaish - Qatar Foundation Youth Football Cup'.

**Image 3:** The winners, QF Recreation Center Team, alongside Mr. Mohammed Al Saoud, Head of Recreation Services, QF; Mr. Rashid Al-Kaabi, First Team Division Manager, Eljaish SC; and Jassim Al Hashimi, Eljaish SC player.

**Image 4:** Eljaish Sports Club player Mohamed Al Jabri, playing alongside silver medalists, Evolution Sports Academy.

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QF carries out its mission through three strategic pillars: education, science and research, and community development. QF's education pillar brings world-class universities to Qatar to help create an education sector in which young people can develop the attitudes and skills required for a knowledge economy. Meanwhile, its science and research pillar builds Qatar's innovation and technology capacity by developing and commercialising solutions through key sciences. Finally, its community development pillar helps foster a progressive society while also enhancing cultural life, protecting Qatar's heritage and addressing immediate social needs in the community.

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### **Eljaish Sports Club**

Eljaish Sports Club is one of the newest clubs in the State of Qatar and includes the following sports: Football, Handball, Volleyball, Basketball, Table Tennis, Athletics. Eljaish Sports Club became one of the most famous first division clubs since it was established in 2011. The club is currently headed by H.E Dr Khalid bin Mohammad Al Attiyah.

Eljaish Sports Club aims at achieving international fame and success with the adoption of Sports practices and traineeship. Eljaish Sports Club seeks to turn sports into a lifestyle and to uphold the players talents to a high level of skill and sports ethics.

For more information about the club and its initiatives, visit [www.eljaish.com](http://www.eljaish.com)