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MANCHESTER CITY WOMEN'S JILL SCOTT VISITS CLUB COMMUNITY PROJECT IN INDIA

- Jill Scott spent two days visiting Kolkata to see first-hand the impact Manchester City's global community work is having around the world
- Jill delivered leadership and community football coaching workshops to young leaders
- The 'Healthy Goals' project mixes football with life-saving education on health and hygiene, so that 7,500 young people a year have the power to stay safe and healthy

Earlier this month, Manchester City Women's midfielder Jill Scott travelled to India to see Manchester City's global community work in action.

Based in Kolkata, India's second largest city, the 'Healthy Goals' project was launched last year and sees young leaders deliver a football project that focuses on lifesaving education for local children on health and hygiene issues.

Jill spent two days delivering leadership workshops and community football coaching clinics alongside City in the Community coaches. On her final day, she supported the leaders to deliver a football festival for more than 100 local children. Click here to see how Jill got on: <https://youtu.be/ghq5UY2u7OI>

Reflecting on her trip, Jill Scott commented: "It was an incredible experience. It's been a real privilege to come out and see Manchester City's global community work in action. It makes me proud to know that the Club I play for makes a difference, not only in Manchester, but in other communities around the world.

"I've really embraced this trip and met some incredible young leaders who are using their passion for football to positively impact their community. I hope that by sharing my own leadership experience, delivering coaching workshops and believing in the leaders, I've played a small part in their story.

"I've had a fantastic time here and it's an experience that will stay with me for a very long time."



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Since teaming up with charity partner Magic Bus last year, almost 7,000 children and young people aged 10-15 have been positively impacted by the 'Healthy Goals' project.

Additionally, 150 Young leaders have been trained to become community football leaders within the project and they've delivered 1,700 hours of community football activities.

Eihad Airways is a Local Partner of the Cityzens Giving project in Kolkata and Linden Coppell, Eihad Airways' Head of Sustainability, added: "Eihad Airways is delighted to support Manchester City's community football project in Kolkata. To see the Manchester City coaches inspiring these young leaders to do fantastic work in their local community is great and will leave a lasting legacy in the city. This is another exciting collaboration between the club and airline which builds on successful projects we've worked on in Abu Dhabi, Mumbai, Beijing and New York."

Over the past three years, City Football Group and its partners have committed £1.5million to community football projects in twelve cities around the world, with more than 16,000 children and young people being positively impacted.

In addition to funding, all projects access leading edge training in community football and opportunities to share learning on how they are using football as a tool for social good.

To find out more about Manchester City's global community work, visit mancity.com/cityzensgiving

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About Manchester City Football Club

Manchester City FC is an English Premier League club whose roots began in East Manchester in 1880 as St Mark's West Gorton. It officially became Manchester City FC in 1894 and has since then gone onto win the European Cup Winners' Cup, four League Championship titles, including two Premier League titles, and five FA Cups. Manchester City FC is one of four teams comprising the City Football Group and counts New York City FC, Melbourne City FC and Yokohama F-Marinos among its sister clubs.

Under manager Pep Guardiola, one of the most highly decorated managers in world football, the Club plays its domestic and UEFA Champions League home fixtures at the Etihad Stadium, a spectacular 55,000 seat arena that City have called home since 2003. Today, the Stadium sits on the wider Etihad Campus, which also encompasses the City Football Academy, a world-leading first team training and youth development facility located in the heart of East Manchester. Featuring a 7,000 capacity Academy Stadium, the City Football Academy is also where Manchester City Women's Football Club and the Elite Development Squad train on a daily basis and play their competitive home games.



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About Cityzens Giving

In its third year, Cityzens Giving is an initiative backed by Manchester City Football Club that gives fans the chance to back community football projects around the world. Run by young leaders, the projects have been created to use football in tackling pressing issues affecting young people in their city including substance abuse, unemployment and disability inclusion.

Fans of Manchester City get the chance to decide how projects are funded by voting for the cause that inspires them the most. The more votes a project gets, the more funding it will receive.

By 2017, the total funding commitment for Cityzens Giving projects by Manchester City Football Club and its partners stands at £1.5million.

Since it launched more than three years ago, more than 16,000 children and young people in twelve cities have benefitted from the projects. In addition to funding, all projects access leading edge training in community football and opportunities to share learning about how they are using football as a tool for social good.

Projects are in 12 cities around the world: Manchester, Melbourne, New York, Cape Town, Kuala Lumpur, Barranquilla, Kolkata, São Paulo, Cape Coast, Mexico City, Beijing and Bandung.

In October 2016, Cityzens Giving won Corporate Citizenship Campaign of the Year at the annual Beyond Sport awards, designed to support and reward the best projects across the globe that are using sport for positive social change.

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