

SOFTBALL IN AAMCHI MUMBAI

It was to commemorate the American documentary — *The Only Real Game*, the US Consulate General Mumbai and Namaste America co-hosted an exhibition softball match, followed by a screening of the film. The film documents the work of a group of baseball-loving New Yorkers and two Major League Baseball Envoy coaches who team up with Manipuri men, women and children to share their love of sport.

In honour of the film, Consul General **Peter Haas**, president of Namaste America, **Atul Nishar**, **Prateik** and many others took to the field for an exhibition of softball match. "I coached my son when we lived in London, I am playing the sport probably after 20 years," said Haas. Prateik said, he was familiar with "feel good sport" as he would play the National game of the US whenever he would visit his aunt and cousins in Chicago when he was a kid. The event was held in association with the American School of Bombay and the Mumbai City Baseball Association. After the match, the Consulate hosted an outdoor screening of the documentary. Among others in attendance were the film's director **Mirra Bank**, producer **Muriel Peter** and **Anil Dharker**.

— Seema Sinha

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Peter Haas and Atul Nishar



Anil Dharker



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