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AI-DRIVEN TRAINING CUES FOR IMPROVING STUDENT-ATHLETE SKILL LEARNING

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Abstract:

The use of Artificial Intelligence is growing in the field of sports training, and it is slowly becoming a useful support system for Physical Education teachers and student–athletes. This study examined how AI-based training cues, such as simple motion alerts, skill correction messages, and real-time feedback, can help young learners improve their sports techniques. The work also looks at how students respond to these cues in terms of focus, motivation, and confidence during practice sessions. The paper is based on a review of recent developments in AI tools used in training, along with observations from regular Physical Education settings. The findings suggest that AI cues make learning clearer, reduce common errors, and provide more personalised support for each student. This approach can help both teachers and coaches guide skill learning in a better and time-saving manner. Overall, the study shows that AI-driven cues have good potential to improve student–athlete performance and can be used safely and effectively in schools and colleges.

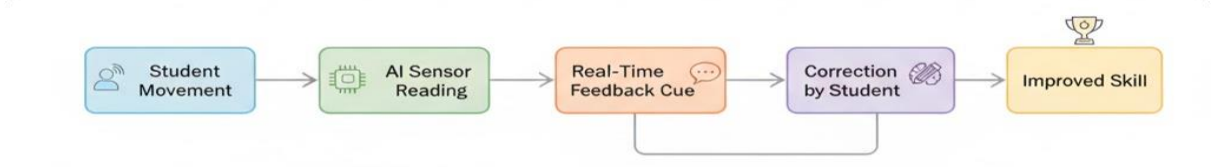
Keywords: *Artificial Intelligence, Training Cues, Student–Athletes, Skill Learning, Physical Education, Sports Performance, Motivation, Feedback Systems*

Introduction:

Artificial Intelligence (AI) has begun to influence many areas of learning, including the daily work of Physical Education. In training situations, student–athletes often depend on clear guidance to improve their skills; however, verbal explanation alone may not always help them notice small movement errors. With the availability of new digital tools, simple training cues generated through AI systems offer an extra layer of support. These cues show real-time changes in posture, speed, balance, or technique, allowing students to understand what went wrong at the exact moment of action.

In practice sessions, AI-based feedback does not replace the role of teachers or coaches. Instead, it works alongside them and helps make the learning process clearer. Young learners usually respond well to immediate corrections, as they build a stronger focus and reduce confusion. When students see their progress over time through these digital cues, they often gain more confidence and remain motivated during training. In many Indian educational settings, such tools are still new, and there is limited understanding of how they can be used smoothly in regular Physical Education classes

Fig.1: Flow showing how AI cues support student–athlete skill learning in Physical Education practice



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This study aims to explore how AI-driven training cues support skill learning among student–athletes, how learners respond to such cues during practice, and how these tools may help teachers guide performance in a simple and effective manner in school and college sports settings.

Review if Literature: While studying the available work in this field, I noticed that the use of digital tools in sports training has grown mainly because these tools can capture small movements that teachers or coaches may miss during practice. Earlier studies mostly discussed video analysis, where players were recorded and their mistakes were explained later. I found that many authors felt that this delayed the learning process, as the student did not receive help at the exact moment of action. When I reviewed more recent studies, I observed that AI-supported systems are becoming increasingly important because they offer real-time feedback, which seems to make a clear difference in how quickly a learner understands a skill.

In the studies I reviewed, several authors pointed out that simple and direct cues help student–athletes connect correction with movement in a more natural way. I also came across research where young learners showed better focus when the feedback was immediate. Some works mentioned that confidence improves when students feel guided not only by the teacher but also by the steady support of digital cues. This helped me understand that AI feedback is not meant to replace human guidance; instead, it strengthens the learning environment.

As I continued reading, I noticed that a few scholars discussed the psychological side of using such tools. They explained that learners often gain motivation when they can see their progress, even in small steps. I also found comments on how structured feedback reduces hesitation, especially among beginners who are still developing body control and timing.

While going through studies related to the Indian context, I realised that research on AI use in regular school and college Physical Education settings is still limited. Many studies focus on elite athletes or advanced training facilities. Only a small number talk about everyday practice conditions where students learn at different speeds. This gap encouraged me to look more closely at how simple AI cues can actually support learning in normal training situations.

Method: For this paper, I followed a simple and practical approach that fits the everyday reality of Physical Education settings. I first collected recent studies, reports, and academic discussions related to AI-based feedback, training cues, and student learning in sports. While reading these sources, I focused on ideas that described how learners react to real-time guidance and how teachers or coaches use digital tools during practice. My aim was not only to look at advanced systems but also to understand how small and easy-to-use tools can support movement learning.

Along with reviewing published work, I also drew on my own observations from regular training situations where students practise skills in open ground or indoor settings. I paid attention to the moments when learners struggled to notice their mistakes and how immediate guidance could have helped them adjust their movement. These observations helped me connect what I read in earlier studies with what I have seen in everyday teaching conditions.

To shape this paper, I combined insights from the literature with these practical observations. This allowed me to look at AI-driven training cues as both a learning tool and motivational support. My focus remained on student–athletes who are still building their skills, because they are the ones who benefit most from simple and timely corrections. The method used here is descriptive in nature, as the intention is to explain how AI cues may fit into normal Physical Education practice rather than test a specific device.

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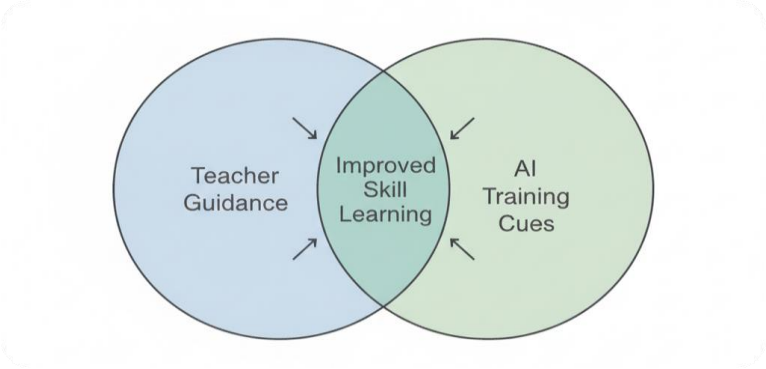
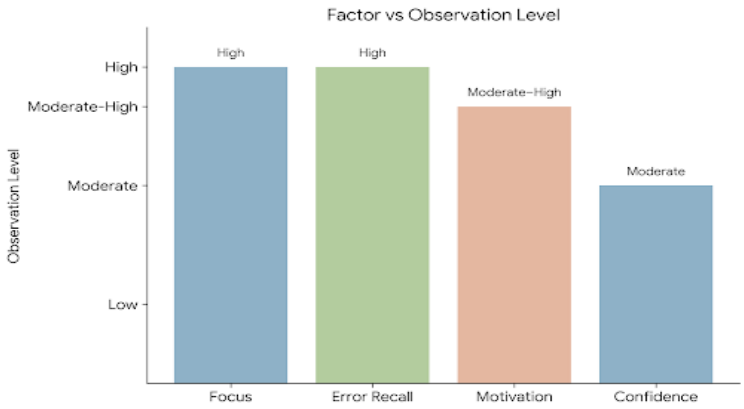
Fig. 2: Combined contribution of the teacher and AI system during skill learning.



Discussion:

While bringing together insights from earlier studies and my own observations, I realised that AI-driven training cues have a gentle but meaningful influence on how student–athletes learn their skills. In many practice situations, young learners try repeatedly to adjust their movements, yet they are not always sure what exactly went wrong. When a small cue appears at the right moment, it seems to bridge this gap. I noticed that students pay more attention when the correction comes instantly because they can connect the guidance with their action before the memory fades.

Fig. 3: General response of student–athletes to AI-driven training cues based on motivation, focus, and confidence.



In the literature I studied, many authors pointed out that real-time feedback supports faster learning. When I compared these ideas with what I have seen in regular training sessions, the connection felt quite natural. Students often respond better when they can see or hear a clear message that tells them how to adjust a particular movement. I also felt that such cues reduce the pressure on both the learner and the teacher. Instead of repeating the same instruction many times, the teacher can focus on overall guidance, while the tool handles small, repeated corrections.

Another point that stood out to me is the change in student confidence. When learners see that they are slowly improving, even by correcting one small detail at a time, they become more willing to practise. This sense of progress seems to motivate them to stay engaged for longer periods. In some cases, I observed that students who were previously hesitant began to show more interest after receiving steady and simple

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cues. It was as if the tool assured them that they were moving in the right direction.

At the same time, I also felt that AI cues should be used thoughtfully. Not every learner responds in the same way, and some may need more personal explanation from the teacher. The role of the teacher remains central because human encouragement, emotional support, and context-based guidance cannot be replaced. AI can assist, but it cannot understand the full situation of a student the way a teacher does.

The discussion suggests that AI-driven cues may not dramatically transform training, but they offer small and steady improvements that matter in everyday learning. They help students notice fine details, reduce confusion, and build confidence. When used with balance, they can blend comfortably into normal Physical Education practice.

Conclusion:

Through this study, I came to understand that AI-driven training cues can play a helpful role in the skill learning of student–athletes, especially in regular Physical Education settings. These cues offer timely guidance that helps learners notice small movement errors and make corrections while they are still practising. This immediate support seems to make the learning process clearer and less confusing for students who are still building their technique.

While reading earlier studies and observing everyday training situations, I felt that AI cues work best when they are used as a gentle companion to the teacher's instruction. They do not replace the human touch that teachers provide, but they support it by offering small reminders and corrections that are easy for students to understand. This combination appears to improve focus, confidence, and motivation, particularly among beginners.

At the same time, it is important to use such tools with care. Not all learners respond in the same way, and the teacher's role in interpreting, guiding, and encouraging remains essential. When used thoughtfully, AI cues can become a simple and practical addition to Physical Education, helping students grow in both skill and self-belief.

This study suggests that there is good scope for further work in Indian school and college environments, where technology is developing but still finding its place. With more exploration, AI-driven training cues may become a regular and supportive part of sports learning in the coming years.

Table 1. Advantages and Limitations of AI-Driven Training Cues

Aspect	Advantages	Limitations
Learning Support	Gives small corrections at the right moment	Some students may depend too much on cues
Teacher Role	Reduces repeated instructions	Needs basic technical setup
Student Motivation	Builds confidence through steady feedback	Not all learners respond in the same way
Skill Progress	Helps notice fine errors quickly	Works best only when used with human guidance

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Table 2. What Students Gain from Real-Time AI Cues

Learning Aspect	Student Gain
Focus	Better attention during practice
Technique	Clear understanding of body movement
Confidence	Feeling of steady improvement
Error Recall	Easier memory of corrections
Practice Interest	More willingness to repeat drills

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