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FOOT BALL

Gerard Pique confirms retirement

- Barcelona defender Gerard Pique confirmed that he has retired from Spain's football national team.

Lionel Messi won his 33rd title with Barcelona

- Barcelona beat Sevilla 2-1 in the Spanish Super Cup as Messi overtook Andres Iniesta, who had 32 titles.

Atletico lift UEFA Super Cup

- Atletico Madrid beat Real Madrid 4-2 to lift the UEFA Super Cup.

CRICKET

U-19 Cricket One day Series

- India beat Sri Lanka to win the U-19 five-match one day series 3-2.

Anderson scores a century

- England pace bowler James Anderson became the first man to take 100 Test wickets at Lord's. Sri Lankan off-spinner Muttiah Muralitharan, the world's leading Test wicket-taker, is the only other bowler to capture 100 wickets at a single venue.

Irfan breaks T20 record

- Pakistan fast bowler Mohammad Irfan bowled the most economical spell in Twenty20 history with figures of four overs, three maidens, with two wickets for one run.

Quadrangular Cricket Series

- India-B beat Australia-A in the final to clinch the Quadrangular cricket Series.

TENNIS**ITF men's Futures tennis tournament**

- Niki Poonacha beat Michael Look of Australia in the final of the \$25,000 ITF men's Futures tennis tournament in Indonesia.

Cincinnati Tennis

- Novak Djokovic finally clinched the title missing from his resume with a win over Roger Federer to win in Cincinnati and become the first player to complete the sweep of Masters series tournaments.

HOCKEY**Women's Hockey World Cup**

- Ireland won 3-1 in the shootout against India to reach the semi finals in Women's Hockey World Cup.

SHOOTING**Shooting World Cup in 2020**

- New Delhi to host shooting World Cup in 2020

Other Sports

Asian Nations Cup chess tournament

- The men won the silver while the women claimed the bronze in the classical event. The Indian women struck gold in the blitz event.

World Badminton Championship

- Carolina Marin the Spaniard became the first woman to win three badminton World titles with an emphatic victory over P.V. Sindhu of India in Women's World Badminton Championship, China.
- Kento Momota became the first Japanese man to win the badminton World Championships in World Badminton Championship, China.

Maiden European Tour Golf title for Bhullar

- India's Gaganjeet Bhullar won the Fiji International Golf title.

Thomas won in the World Golf Championships

- Justin Thomas won the World Golf Championships (WGC) Bridgestone Invitational golf.

European Championships

- Britain registered an historic sprint double at the European Championships, winning the gold medal in the men's and women's 100 m races at the same edition of the event for the first time.

Neeraj named flag-bearer for Asian Games opening ceremony

- Star javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra was named the Indian contingent's flag-bearer for the Asian Games opening ceremony to be held on August 18 in Jakarta.

Paris Gay Games

- The Gay Games which are under way in Paris are not just a chance to celebrate sport and diversity: they offer crucial respite to gay athletes forced to hide their sexuality in their home countries.

Vietnam Open badminton championship

- Indian shuttler Ajay Jayaram finishes runner-up at the Vietnam Open after losing the final to Shesar Hiren Rhustavito of Indonesia in Ho Chi Minh City.

Youngest Indian to win an Asian Golf Tour title

- Viraj Madappa, the 20-year-old becomes the youngest Indian to win an Asian Golf Tour title.

Vaishali is Woman Grandmaster

- Seventeen-year-old R. Vaishali, elder sister of R. Praggnanandhaa, became a Woman Grandmaster, completing her final norm in the Riga Technical University Open chess tournament in Riga, Latvia.

Golf PGA Championship

- Brooks Koepka won the 100th PGA Championship beating Tiger Woods.

SAI to protect trainees from sexual harassment

- The Sports Authority of India (SAI) has initiated firm steps aimed at protecting girl athletes from falling prey to sexual harassment at the hands of their coaches.

Nihal Sarin becomes India's 53rd Grandmaster

- Nihal Sarin became India's 53rd Grandmaster after attaining his third and final GM-norm in the Abu Dhabi Masters

UAE is Asia Cup venue

- The tournament will be held from September 15 to 28 in Abu Dhabi and Dubai.

Mavlankar championship returns to Tamil Nadu

- The All-India G.V. Mavlankar shooting championship, a qualification event for Nationals, returns to Tamil Nadu after a gap of 14 years.

Asian Games 2018

- The 18th Asian Games, the biggest multi-sport event after the Olympics, begins in Jakarta and Palembang, Indonesia.
- **Wrestler Bajrang** wins India's **first gold medal** in the **65kg freestyle wrestling** competition at **Asian Games 2018**.

Bronze in rifle mixed team

- India opened its account in the 18th Asian Games with a bronze medal after Apurvi Chandela and Ravi Kumar cracked under pressure to finish third in the rifle mixed team shooting event.

Comfortable win for Raghul

- Raghul Rangasamy won the first race of the MRF F1600 class in the fourth round of the MRF MMSC FMSCI Indian National Racing Championship at the MMRT.

Kho-Kho gets recognition from Olympic Council of Asia

- The Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) has given recognition to India's indigenous sport of Kho-Kho.

Swiss league of the fifth Carrom World Cup

- Kajal Kumari wins combined Swiss league in Carrom World Cup. Rashmi Kumari, Kajal Kumari and S.Apoorva helped India beat Sri Lanka in the team championship final of the fifth Carrom World Cup.

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