

Sports Current Affairs

CRICKET

Indian squad for World Cup announced

- Virat Kohli (Capt), Rohit Sharma (vc), Shikhar Dhawan, KL Rahul, Vijay Shankar, M.S. Dhoni (wk), Kedar Jadhav, Dinesh Karthik, Yuzvendra Chahal, Kuldeep Yadav, Bhuvneshwar Kumar, Jasprit Bumrah, Hardik Pandya, Ravindra Jadeja, Mohd Shami. MS Dhoni will play 4th world cup in England and Wales from May 30 to July 14.

Wicketkeeper Tom Blundell the only surprise in New Zealand squad

- Tim Blundell , 28-year-old Wellington wicketkeeper, who made a century on his Test debut but has yet to play a one-day international, has been included in New Zealand's 15-man squad for the World Cup. New Zealand is the first nation to name its World Cup lineup.

First female umpire in men's ODI

- Claire Polosak will become the first woman to umpire a men's one-day international. In 2017, she became the first on-field female umpire to officiate a men's domestic game in Australia.

Sundaram Ravi named among 22 match officials for World Cup 2019

- Three World Cup winners and one Indian umpire in Sundaram Ravi were named among the 22 match officials for the league stage of the mega event beginning on May 30 in the United Kingdom.

Australia sweeps Pakistan 5-0 in ODI series

- Australia beat Pakistan in the final ODI with a 20-run victory and won the series 5-0.

Papua New Guinea achieves ODI status

- Papua New Guinea (PNG) achieved their ODI status and a place in ICC Cricket World Cup League 2 after recording a comprehensive victory against already-qualified Oman in the World Cricket League Division 2.

TENNIS

ITF changes 2020 Olympic Tennis Event

- The International Tennis Federation (ITF) has announced the changes in match formats for 2020 Olympic Tennis Events. The Men's Single Gold Medal Match will now be played as best of three tiebreak sets instead of five tiebreak sets.

Monte Carlo Tennis

- Flamboyant Italian Fabio Fognini followed up his shock victory over Rafael Nadal with a 6-3 6-4 win over Serbian Dusan Lajovic to claim his maiden Masters title in Monte Carlo.

FOOTBALL

Indian football team to play in King's Cup in June

- The Indian football team will be playing in the invitational King's Cup in Thailand in June.

Hero Super Cup 2019

- FC Goa beat Chennaiyin FC by the odd goal in three (2-1) in the final of the Hero Super Cup.

Santosh Trophy 2019:

- Services won its sixth Santosh Trophy title with a 1-0 victory over home side Punjab with second-half strike by Bikash Thapa at Guru Nanak Stadium Punjab.

SHOOTING

India finishes with 16 gold medals at Asian Airgun Championship

- Indian shooters continued their dominance claiming five gold medals on the final day of the Asian Airgun Championships to sign off with a total of 25 medals in Taoyuan, Taipei. India finished with 16 gold, five silver and four bronze.

ISSF shooting World Cup:

- Indian shooters strike the gold medals in both the mixed air rifle and mixed air pistol competitions in the shooting World Cup in Beijing.
- It was Bhaker and Chaudhary's second World Cup gold in the 10m Air Pistol Mixed Team event. Anjum Moudgil and Divyansh Singh Panwar beat the Chinese to win the mixed air rifle gold.

Other Sports**Bahrain Grand Prix**

- Five times world champion Lewis Hamilton won the Bahrain Grand Prix for Mercedes. Valtteri Bottas took second place.

Indian women's hockey team beat Malaysia, win series 4-0

- The Indian women's hockey team beat Malaysia by a solitary goal to complete a 4-0 win in the five-match bilateral series in Kuala Lumpur.

Rio Paralympics medallist Deepa Malik wins New Zealand PM's Sir Edmund Hillary Fellowship

- Rio Paralympics silver medallist Deepa Malik was named as the recipient of the New Zealand Prime Minister's Sir Edmund Hillary Fellowship for 2019 in recognition of her "inspiring achievements". The 48-year-old Deepa, who won the silver medal in shot put F53 event in Rio in 2016, will work to promote sporting, cultural as well people-to-people relationship between India and New Zealand.

Krishna Nagar wins two golds

- Asian Para Games bronze medallist Krishna Nagar of India won two gold medals at the second Fazza-Dubai para badminton international championships.

Manpreet Kaur banned for four years

- A National Anti-Doping Agency disciplinary panel has handed a four-year suspension to Asian champion woman shot putter Manpreet Kaur for testing positive on four occasions over 84 days in 2017.

Singapore Open: Sindhu surrenders to Okuhara in semifinal

- Singapore PV Sindhu surrendered to former world champion Nozomi Okuhara of Japan in the women's singles semifinals at the Singapore Open. Okuhara will face world no 1 Chinese Taipei's Tai Tzu Ying in Singapore Open Womens Final 2019.

Tiger Woods wins Masters

- Tiger Woods, is an American golfer win the Masters for the fifth time. It was the first time Woods won a major when trailing going into the final round and it was his 81st victory on the PGA Tour, one title away from the career record held by Sam Snead.

Chinese Grand Prix

- Lewis Hamilton won the Chinese Grand Prix to seize the overall lead from his Mercedes team mate Valtteri Bottas in Formula One's 1,000th world championship race.

Singapore Open: Momota and Tzu-ying are champions

- Japan's Kento Momota withstood a barrage of smashes from Indonesia's Anthony Sinisuka Ginting to rally for victory in the Singapore Open final.
- In the women's final, Tai Tzu-ying claimed her second Singapore Open title victory over Japan's Nozomi Okuhara.

Asian wrestling championships 2019

- World No. 1 wrestler Bajrang Punia will be participated in Asian wrestling championships 2019 which will be held in China from April 23.

Seven-year-old girl bagged two gold in Asian Youth Chess Championship

- The chess prodigy Kolagatla Alana Meenakshi recently bagged two gold medals for India in the Asian Youth Chess Championship 2019 held in Sri Lanka in the rapid format in the under-eight girls category.

Asian Athletics Championship 2019

- Annu Rani won the women's javelin throw silver and Avinash Sable also won a silver medal in the men's 3000m steeplechase in the 23rd Asian Athletics Championships held at Qatar.
- Tamil Nadu's Arokia Rajiv and defending champion Muhammed Anas of Kerala entered the men's 400m final.
- Shot putter Tajinderpal Singh Toor and Gomathi Marimuthu clinched a gold medal each. Shivpal Singh then won the silver in men's javelin throw. Jabir Madari Palliyalil and Sarita Gayakwad secured the bronze medals in men's and women's 400m hurdles respectively.
- Swapna Barman won a silver medal in Heptathlon at the Asian Athletics Championships in Doha, Qatar after scoring a season-best 5993 points. The 4x400m Mixed relay team followed suit by winning another silver later in the day to take India's medal tally at the event to 13.
- P.U. Chitra 23-year-old from Palakkad retain her women's 1500m gold, Ajay Kumar Saroj takes silver in the men's 1500m in the Asian Athletics Championships. Dutee finished with a bronze and Prachi, M.R. Poovamma, Saritaben Gayakwad and V.K. Vismaya, won the women's 4x400m relay silver.
- Gomathi's gold was certainly the biggest surprise for India, which finished fourth with 17 medals — three gold and seven silvers.

Asian Weightlifting

- Jeremy Lalrinnunga smashes Youth World record, national senior record, Youth Olympics gold medallist Jeremy Lalrinnunga went on a record-smashing spree, claiming three world marks in a power-packed performance, to secure second place in his group at the Asian Weightlifting Championship in Ningbo.

Asia Badminton Championships

- The Asia Badminton Championships will begin at Wuhan in China today. India will be represented by Kidambi Srikanth and Sameer Verma in men's singles and P.V. Sindhu and Saina Nehwal in women's singles.

- P V Sindhu and Saina Nehwal were knocked out in the quarterfinals in Wuhan Asian Badminton championships 2019.

The youngster won the senior National ranking tournament

- Former World junior No.1, A.S.S. Siril Varma, the men's singles title-triumph in the recent all-India senior ranking badminton championship in Kozhikode.

Swimmer Likith achieves 'B' standard for Worlds

- Indian swimmer S.P. Likith achieved the 'B' qualifying standard for the 2019 FINA World Championships in the men's 100m breaststroke at the 62nd Malaysia Open swimming championships. Likith turned in a career-best performance to claim gold.
- With no other active Indian swimmer holding a 'B' mark in the same event, Likith, will represent India at the World Championships in South Korea in July.

Arjan Singh Memorial International Hockey Tournament 2019

- 2nd Marshal of the Indian Air Force Arjan Singh Memorial International Hockey Tournament was held at Chandigarh from 15th April to 25th April 2019. Air Marshal RKS Shera AVSM VSM, Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Maintenance Command was the Chief Guest for the Ceremony. ICF, Chennai won the match defeating SCR, Hyderabad in the Penalty Shootout round.

2019 World Para Swimming Championships

- Indian para swimmer Niranjan Mukundan achieved the Minimum Entry Time (MET) in the men's 200m IM (SM7 class) for the 2019 World Para Swimming Championships

Asian Boxing Championships:

- Amit Panghal (52kg) picked up his second successive gold medal of the year, while Pooja Rani (81kg) finished on top among the women to bring a fine end to India's phenomenal campaign in the Asian Boxing Championships in Bangkok. India ended the event with 13 medals includes two gold, four silver and seven bronze medals.

Azerbaijan Grand Prix:

- Valtteri Bottas resisted an attacking final charge by his Mercedes team-mate Lewis Hamilton to win Azerbaijan Grand Prix and regain the lead in the 2019 drivers title race. It was the second win of the season for Bottas and fifth of his career.

India to bid for 2024 World TT

- Table Tennis Federation of India (TTFI) has decided to bid for the 2024 edition of the biennial World Team Championships. The last time India hosted a World Championships was way back in 1987.

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