

I wanted to make a big score. I had promised someone to make a big score today and thankfully I made it. And that person is my dad (Virender Sehwag). I told my dad I will get a big hundred. I have a legacy to live up to as he only likes big hundreds. I started off and decided to play long and bat for 40 odd overs. There were challenges on the wicket. I didn't get bothered about the dot balls, as I knew I would catch up.

-- Aaryavir Sehwag, India U-19 cricket opener

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U19 Asia Cup

Sehwag junior's 160 carnage powers India to semifinals

70-run win over UAE sees India finish second in Group A behind Pakistan



AL AMERAT: Aaryavir Sehwag, son of India icon Virender Sehwag, scored a masterful 160 from 168 balls to help India U19 beat UAE U19 by 70 runs in the U19 Asia Cup at the Al Amerat Cricket Ground (Ministry Turf 2) here on Tuesday.

The victory also helped India U19 confirm their place in the U19 Asia Cup semifinal as they have finished their Group A in second place behind Pakistan U19, who had edged past the Indian side earlier in the league stage.

India have two wins in three matches as they had earlier defeated the Nepal U19 side too. In the semifinal, the eight-time U19 champions India will be up against 2017 winner Afghanistan U19 on Thursday.

Coming to the match, the Indian U19 side made a strong total of 309/7 in 50 overs. Opener Aaryavir scored 160 with 17 fours and seven sixes to hold the team's innings together. No.3 VK Vineeth was the only other player with a notable score as he made 67 from 69 balls. The junior Sehwag and Vineeth put up a 193-run partnership for the third wicket and put India U19 on the door of a strong total.

The Indian side lost its way a bit in the death overs as, from 255/1 in 44.1 overs, they slipped to 299/7 in 49.1 overs and ended up making 309/7. For UAE, medium-pace bowler Naseem Khan was the pick of the bowler for having taken 4-48 in his 10 overs.

Coming into the chase, India kept a lid on the UAE side with regular wickets. Right-arm fast bowler Ishan Sood stood out with 4-37 in his seven overs, while all of the other six bowlers also took a wicket each to bowl UAE for 239.

No.4 Ahmed Khudadad was the only saving grace for the UAE side as he made a run-a-ball 74 and did the damage control. Captain and opener Ayaan Misbah (27) and other opener Zainullah Rehmani (16) got starts but could not capitalise, as did Yayin Rai, who scored 29 but fell to Yashbardhan Chauhan.

While the wickets were falling, Khudadad held one end up to put up a lone fight, and despite Noorullah Ayobi coming with a 25-ball 39-run cameo, UAE were considerably short in the end.

While India U19 will meet Afghanistan U19 in the second semifinal, defending champions Pakistan U19 will lock horns against Bangladesh U19 in the first semifinal, which is also scheduled to take place on Thursday.

BRIEF SCORES:

India U19 309/7 in 50 overs (Aaryavir Sehwag 160, VK Vineeth 67; Naseem Khan 4-48, Noorullah Ayobi 1-59) beat UAE U19 239/10 (Ahmed Khudadad 74, Noorullah Ayobi 39; Ishan Sood 4-37, Aryan Savsani 1-21) by 70 runs.

India-NZ third ODI called off due to rain

HAMILTON: Rain played spoilsport as the third ODI between New Zealand and India at Seddon Park here on Tuesday was called off. India lead the five-match series 2-0 as the two teams head to Tauranga for the final two games, scheduled for November 13 and 15.

India skipper Shubman Gill won the toss for the third time in a row and opted to bowl, fielding an unchanged side from the previous two games. However, just as the covers were coming off for a 40-overs-a-side contest, the heavens opened up once again.

With at least 70 minutes remaining before the local cut-off time of 7:50 pm for a 20-overs-a-side game, the two umpires decided to call off the match.

The weather forecast for this game had always been gloomy, with a 90 per cent chance of rain predicted throughout the day.

This was supposed to be the last game of the series for skipper Shubman Gill and senior wicketkeeper KL Rahul before they link up with the Test squad in Wellington. They will be accompanied by Kuldeep Yadav, Anshul Kamboj and Mohammed Siraj.

Shreyas Iyer will lead the side in the last two matches in Gill's absence, with Ruturaj Gaikwad and Ishan Kishan set to earn places in the playing XI.

ISSF World C'ship 2026

India win women's 25m pistol team gold

Men's 50m rifle 3P team bags bronze



DOHA: Esha Singh, Manu Bhaker and Divya Thadigol Subbaraju won the women's 25m pistol team gold at the ISSF World Championship 2026 in Doha, giving India their second gold of the championship.

The Indian trio finished with a combined score of 1761-68x, ahead of the Republic of Korea (1748-66x) in silver and Vietnam (1745-54x) in bronze.

Esha top-scored for India with 590-25x, followed by Manu with 587-24x and Divya with 584-19x.

Esha and Manu also qualified for the individual final, where Manu finished fourth with 27 hits, just short of the podium, while Esha ended eighth with 11 hits.

Earlier in the day, the men's 50m Rifle 3 Positions team of Aishwary Pratap Singh Tomar, Akhil Sheoran and Niraj Kumar claimed bronze with a combined score of 1751-91x. Czechia won gold with 1754-92x, while Norway took silver with 1752-81x. Aishwary led with 587-33x, followed by Niraj (582-31x) and Akhil (582-27x).

Earlier, Jaypal Malviya produced a composure-laden performance under pressure to clinch a silver medal in the men's 10m air pistol at the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) World Championship Rifle / Pistol / Shotgun on Thursday. The Indian women's 10m air pistol squad clinched the team silver medal.

The trio of double Olympic medallist Manu Bhaker, Suruchi Inder Singh and Sainyam combined for an aggregate total of 1738 with 61 inner 10s. Manu led the Indian challenge with a qualification total of 583-21x, which included a perfect 100 in her fourth series.

Suruchi contributed a steady 580-24x, while junior world champion Sainyam added 575-16x to seal the second step of the podium. China took the women's team gold medal with 1745-65x, while the Republic of Korea claimed bronze with 1729-49x.

In the men's team competition, India finished seventh with a combined aggregate of 1730-58x. Jaypal led the team with his qualification mark of 585-23x (97, 99, 97, 99, 97, 96), which had earned him third place heading into the individual final.

India will be in action again on November 11, with the final of the men's 50m Rifle 3 Positions event.



Mohammad Rehman Ali



Mohd Rehan Khan

Karimnagar boys selected for international tournament in Malaysia

HYDERABAD: Bringing pride and recognition to Telangana State, two young hockey players from Karimnagar district, Mohammad Rehman Ali and Mohd Rehan Khan, have been selected to represent Telangana in the prestigious 49th Pesta USM International Indoor Hockey Invitational Tournament, scheduled to be held at Penang, Malaysia, from November 13 to 15, 2026.

The duo are the only two boys from Telangana selected for this international tournament, marking a significant achievement for Karimnagar district and the state.

Their selection comes following their impressive participation in the Senior Indoor Hockey Nationals held in Ahmedabad, Gujarat, in June 2026. Based on their performance and talent at the national-level championship, both players earned the opportunity to participate in the international tournament in Malaysia.

The tournament will feature six-a-side indoor hockey, a fast-paced and exciting format of the game that demands exceptional speed, skill, coordination and teamwork.

Rainbow Children's Hospital hosts Hyd Cluster-Level Sports C'ship



Arun Kumar HR Manager presenting Carrom singles winner trophy with Rs 5,000 Amazon voucher to MD Faiyazuddin Ghazi of Rainbow Children's Heart Institute (RCHI) who defeated Khan of Rainbow Vikrampuri branch in the finals. The two-day championship featured eight hospitals across the Hyderabad cluster, with Bilal and Amer of RCHI winning Carrom Doubles and Guruprashanth of RCHI securing the Chess Championship title.



Phoenix Invitational 2026 in Vooty

Baisoya eyes revenge against Bhullar

HYDERABAD: Sachin Baisoya will get an immediate opportunity to avenge his recent play-off defeat to Gaganjeet Bhullar when the Phoenix Invitational 2026 begins at Vooty Golf County on Wednesday.

The two last clashed at the Green Fuels Maritime Invitational in Visakhapatnam, where Bhullar edged Baisoya in a play-off after the latter produced a stunning seven-under round on a rain-shortened final day to erase a six-shot deficit. Bhullar eventually clinched victory with a 40-foot putt on the extra hole.

The much-anticipated 'Rematch at Vooty' promises another exciting contest. Bhullar, an 11-time Asian Tour winner, has claimed six IGPL titles, including three this season. His recent victories at the Krishna Invitational in Hyderabad and the Vizag event make him a strong contender. Baisoya will lead Phoenix Hyderabad Firebirds alongside Ranjit Singh, Raghav Chugh and Arjun Bhati. The team will compete in the main event as well as the innovative X-Golf competition. Speaking at the media interaction, IGPL CEO Uttam Singh Mundy said 10 events, including six international stops, had been completed in an exciting 2026 season. He highlighted the league's commitment to equal prize money for men and women, grassroots development and plans for two centres of excellence in India.

Baisoya said his team was confident following its victory at HGA Hyderabad two weeks ago. He also welcomed X-Golf as an exciting format capable of making golf more engaging and accessible.

Shutdown in Kargil against holding LAHDC polls in winter

KARGIL/JAMMU: Kargil region in Ladakh on Tuesday observed a complete shutdown, demanding that the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council (LAHDC) elections proposed during winter be deferred and the recently concluded delimitation exercise reviewed.



Shops and business establishments remained closed, while traffic remained thin on roads across Kargil. Security was strengthened with additional deployment of police personnel in various areas as a precautionary measure.

Representatives of various political and religious organisations, trade bodies and civil society groups under the banner of Kargil Democratic Alliance (KDA) on Monday announced the shutdown and a candlelight "Save Democracy" march against the proposed timing of the hill council elections, alleged delimitation irregularities and the "erosion of democratic rights" in the Union territory.

Ladakh Lok Sabha member Mohmad Haneefa on Saturday wrote a letter to Lieutenant Governor Vinai Kumar Saxena on the matter.

Haneefa said Ladakh's unique geographical and weather conditions, particularly in Kargil and Leh districts, posed serious challenges to voters during winter.

He pointed out that heavy snowfall, sub-zero temperatures, closure of key roads and frequent disruptions in transport and communication could make it difficult for residents of remote and far-flung areas to reach polling stations.

The MP said thousands of residents, including senior citizens, traders, businesspersons and students, traditionally migrate to warmer regions during winter, while many students remain outside Ladakh for higher education and competitive examinations.

Holding elections during this period, without addressing these circumstances, could deprive a significant section of eligible voters of an opportunity to exercise their democratic rights, he said.

Haneefa also highlighted logistical challenges in remote areas such as Drass, Zanskar and Changthang, stressing that electoral planning must account for Ladakh's vast distances, scattered settlements and limited winter connectivity.

Expressing concern over the limited time available for revision of electoral rolls, he said sufficient opportunity must be provided to eligible citizens to register and verify their particulars.

The MP urged the LG to defer the elections until winter-related difficulties subside, ensure a comprehensive and transparent revision of electoral rolls and consult elected representatives, political parties and other stakeholders before finalising the election schedule.

The KDA also announced a candlelight march under the banner of 'Save Democracy' in the evening, alleging erosion of democratic rights and irregularities in the delimitation of constituencies.

Cop suspended over 'derogatory' remarks against WB CM



KOLKATA: A Kolkata Police inspector has been suspended for allegedly making derogatory remarks against West Bengal Chief Minister Suvendu Adhikari and the state government on social media, according to an order issued by the city police commissioner.

Inspector Ekhlaque Ahmed, who was in charge of the outpost at the Medical College, Kolkata, under the Central Division, was recently transferred to the first battalion of the city armed police.

He was placed under suspension with effect from November 9, the order said.

The suspension order, issued by Police Commissioner Ajay Kumar Nand, said his alleged remarks on a social media platform, indicating derogatory views about the West Bengal government, were "prejudicial in the interest of public service".

It also stated that his continuance in office pending an inquiry into his conduct was not considered appropriate. During the suspension, Ahmed will receive half of his basic pay along with other admissible benefits as subsistence allowance, the order stated.

He has also been directed to immediately deposit his government-issued kits with the reserve officer of the Central Division, it added.

"The matter is being examined, and an inquiry into his conduct is underway," a senior Kolkata Police officer said.

Muslim siblings light funeral pyre of Hindu woman



CHITHRAGIRI (KERALAM): Transcending religious boundaries, two Muslim siblings have performed the last rites of an 85-year-old Hindu woman they had cared for and loved as their mother for nearly five decades in this hill district of Keralam. Razak and Sulaiman stepped forward to perform the funeral rituals in accordance with Hindu customs when Kalyani Amma, who had no children or other relatives, passed away at Chithragiri in Muppainad panchayat, family sources said on Tuesday.

The two siblings and their family had shared a close bond with Kalyani Amma, who had been their neighbour for nearly 50 years. They looked after her, taking care of her daily needs, arranging medicines and accompanying her to hospitals whenever necessary. She was also part of their family celebrations, and the affection between them grew over the years.

Kalyani Amma had expressed her wish that Razak and Sulaiman, whom she considered her own sons, should perform her last rites after her death, they said.



CISF jawan alleges assault, court orders FIR against 4

BHADOHI (UP): A Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) jawan was allegedly assaulted, stripped and filmed by four people here, and was subsequently arrested in a molestation case after being kept at a police station for nearly 24 hours, according to a court petition.

The court has now ordered the registration of an FIR against the four accused, following which police registered a case against them under various provisions of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) and the IT Act, officials said on Tuesday.

Additional Superintendent of Police (ASP) Shubham Agrawal said the incident allegedly took place on August 12 in Sardar Bahuta village under the Suriyawan police station area.

CISF Constable Ajay Yadav (34), in a petition filed before the Civil Judge (Senior Division) court on August 19, alleged that he was returning home from the market on his motorcycle when Dhirendra Yadav (26), Virendra Yadav (23), Aman Yadav (20) and Sarita Yadav (37), all residents of the same village, intercepted him and vandalised his motorcycle.

The petition alleged that the accused abused and brutally assaulted him. He was left bleeding from the nose and due to the blood entering his respiratory tract, he had difficulty breathing. He also sustained a serious head injury and continued to experience dizziness, it said.

HHRC flags security lapses over Faridabad arms theft



CHANDIGARH: The Haryana Human Rights Commission (HHRC) has taken serious note of the theft of 32 licensed firearms from the storeroom of Sector 8 Police Station, Faridabad, and directed a review of security arrangements in the storerooms of all police stations across the state. In an order dated November 2, HHRC member Deep Bhatia directed the Haryana director general of police to review the safe custody of firearms, access to police storerooms and supervisory mechanisms in the wake of the theft. The matter was brought before the commission through a complaint filed on July 16 by an advocate and resident of Panchkula. The complaint stated that the owners of 32 licensed firearms had deposited their weapons at the police station in compliance with the law, entrusting them to the police for safe custody. However, the theft of the firearms from the storeroom indicated a serious failure in security arrangements on the part of the police. Highlighting the human rights implications of the incident, the complainant submitted that if the stolen firearms were used in criminal activities, their legitimate owners could face fear, mental distress and unnecessary legal complications, despite having complied with the law.

UP cop attempts suicide over seized firecrackers

WhatsApp status note accuses SHO, BJP MLA of harassment



MAHARAJGANJ (UP): A 33-year-old Uttar Pradesh Police head constable allegedly attempted suicide by consuming a poisonous substance following a dispute with his seniors over seized firecrackers on Diwali night, police said.

Head constable Vishal Singh, posted at the Nichlaul police station, was found unconscious on the police station premises late on Sunday night.

He was initially taken to a government hospital and later shifted to a private hospital here. His condition is said to be improving.

Before the incident, Singh had shared a note as his WhatsApp status, accusing Station House Officer (SHO) Yogendra Rai and other personnel of harassing him over the seized firecrackers, police said on Monday.

In the note, Singh alleged that around 40 per cent of the seized firecrackers had been taken away and some of the remaining stock was handed over to an accused, identified as Kausman Ali, allegedly under pressure from the SHO.

He further claimed that he was humiliated by being accused of stealing the firecrackers.

In his note, the head constable named Rai, constables Manish Singh and Anand Singh, BJP MLA Premsagar Patel, Vishal Yadav, Bholu Yadav and Alok Sharma, accusing them of harassment.

Singh also claimed that a policeman, Vishal Sharma, had recorded a video of the alleged distribution of firecrackers on his mobile phone, police said.