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1. Kotian, Sarfaraz stars in the Mumbai first Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy (Nov. 5, 2022)

Mumbai first Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy

A power packed performance from Sarfraz Khan and Tanush Kotian propelled Mumbai cricket team to its maiden Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy. The Mumbai team beat **Himachal Pradesh** by 3 wickets in the final played at the **Eden Garden Stadium, Kolkata** on 5 November 2022. Sarfaraz scored an unbeaten 36 off 31 balls, while Kotian claimed three wickets as Mumbai lifted the trophy at the Eden Gardens.

The Mumbai team led by Ajinkaya Rahane won the toss and invited Himachal to bat first. The Himachal team made 143 for the loss of 8 wickets in the allotted 20 overs.

The Mumbai team achieved the target with a score of 146 for the loss of 7 wickets and won the match by 3 wickets.

Tanush Kotia was declared as the player of the match.

Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy

The Syed Mushtaq Ali trophy is organized by the [BCCI](#) (Board for Control of Cricket in India). It is a premier domestic T20 cricket tournament which was launched in 2006-07 season.

Initially it was named as T20 Inter- State Championship but it was renamed later as Syed Mushtaq Ali trophy.

Tamil Nadu has won it maximum 3 times.

2. Indian Men's' team wins maiden Asian Squash Team Championship Title (Nov. 5, 2022)

21st Asian Squash Team Championships 2022

The Indian men's squash team led by Saurav Ghosal won its first ever title at the 21st Asian Squash Team Championships 2022. The Indian team had earlier lost in the final three times but they finally won the title in their fourth final appearance.

The 21st Asian Squash Team Championships was organized by the Asian Squash Federation at **Cheongju, South Korea** from 31st October to 4 November 2022.

In the final held on 4 November 2022, the Indian men's team defeated **Kuwait** 2-0. The Hong Kong and Malaysian teams jointly shared the third position.

Women's Team Championship

The women's title was won by **Hong Kong** which defeated Malaysia in the final. The **Indian** and South Korean team shared the third spot.

Asian Squash Federation

It is the governing body of Squash in Asia. It was founded in 1980 at a meeting in Karachi, Pakistan.

Member countries: 24

Headquarters: **Kuala Lumpur**, Malaysia

President: David Y Y Mui (Hong Kong)

3. Kerala to host Track Asia Cup 2022 (Nov. 4, 2022)

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Important facts

- The event will see participation of over 200 cyclists from over 25 Asian countries and will be held outside Delhi for the first time in history.
- It is authorised by the **Asian Cycling Confederation and Cycling Federation of India**.
- The Track Asia Cup is also used to select Asian countries for the **2024 Summer Olympics in Paris**.
- The highlight of the event will be the participation of cycling stalwarts from **China, Japan, Korea and Kazakhstan**.
- Apart from these countries, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Afghanistan, Pakistan and Indonesia will compete with India.

About Track Asia Cup 2022

- It is a flagship event of the **Asian Cycling Confederation (ACC)**.
- It showcases excellent competitive cycling exhibitions across Asia.
- Star cyclists including Olympic medalists will compete in various individual and team events.
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5. India's Praggnanandhaa and Nandhidhaa wins the Asian Continental Chess championship (Nov. 4, 2022)

Asian Continental Chess championship

Top seeded Indian Grandmaster **R Praggnanandhaa** and **P V Nandhidhaa** won the titles in the Open and women's sections respectively in the Asian Continental Chess championship held in **New Delhi**.

The Asian Continental Chess Championship was held in **New Delhi** from 26 October to 3 November 2022.

R Praggnanandhaa remained unbeaten in the tournament and has also qualified for the **FIDE World Chess cup** to be held in 2023.

The international chess governing body FIDE has not yet announced the date and place of the World Chess Cup 2023.

6. “Baji Rout National Football Tournament” inaugurated in Dhenkanal Odisha by Dharmendra Pradhan (Nov. 3, 2022)

Baji Rout National Football Tournament

Union Minister for Education and Skill Development and Entrepreneurship **Dharmendra Pradhan** inaugurated the “Baji Rout National Football Tournament in **Dhenkanal**, Odisha on 3 November 2022.

Speaking on the occasion he said that to promote football in India the government with FIFA and All India Football Federation (AIFF) has launched the '[Football 4 School](#)' initiative.

The minister revealed that the programme has been targeted to rope in about **two crore fifty lakh school students** towards football. He said that **ten lakh footballs** will be distributed among the government and private schools in all the districts of the country through the Jawahar Navoday Vidyalaya.

7. Chirag Shetty-Satwiksairaj Rankireddy wins the French open Badminton men’s doubles title (Oct. 31, 2022)

Chirag Shetty-Satwiksairaj Rankireddy

The Birmingham Commonwealth gold medallist pair of Chirag **Shetty** and **Satwiksairaj Rankireddy** won the **French Open Badminton 2022** men’s doubles title on 30 October 2022. It was also their first [BWF](#) Super 750 title.

The French open Badminton 2022 was held in **Paris, France** from 25-30 October 2022.

The Indian badminton pair defeated Chinese Taipei’s pair of **Lu Ching Yao and Yang Po Han** in the final on 30 October 2022.

This was also the first time since Partho Ganguli and Vikram Singh’s triumph in 1983 that an Indian men’s doubles pair won the French Open badminton title.

This was Chirag Shetty and Satwiksairaj Rankireddy’s fourth BWF World Tour title. They won the Hyderabad Open 2018, the Thailand Open 2019 and India Open 2022.

The win also makes Chirag Shetty and Satwiksairaj Rankireddy the first Indian doubles pair to clinch a BWF Super 750 crown.

BWF (Badminton World Federation)

It is an international governing body of Badminton in the world .

It was set up as the International Badminton Federation in 1934 and later converted into the World Badminton Federation in 2006.

Currently it has 176 member countries.

Headquarters : **Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia**

8. Union Minister Dharmendra Pradhan signs MoU with FIFA and AIFF for implementing Football4Schools initiative in India (Oct. 31, 2022)

Union Minister Dharmendra Pradhan

Union Education and Skill Development & Entrepreneurship Minister **Dharmendra Pradhan**, on behalf of the Ministry of Education signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with world football governing body FIFA and All India Football Federation (AIFF) for the 'Football4Schools' initiative in India at Mumbai on 30 October 2022.

FIFA President **Gianni Infantino**, Minister of State for Home Affairs and Youth Affairs & Sports Nisith Pramanik, President, All India Football Federation, **Kalyan Chaubey** were also present on the occasion.

The MoU was signed at the sidelines of the final of the [FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup 2022](#) being held in Mumbai, which was won by **Spain**.

The Minister said that football is an immensely popular sport and the Football4Schools program uses it as a positive tool to inspire children and ensure their holistic development. He further said that 'Football4Schools' aims to empower 2.5 crore young boys and girls in India through sports-integrated learning.

Football4 School initiative

The Football4 School initiative has been launched by FIFA with a \$100 million budget in 2018. The initiative targets to reach over 700 million children across the world with special emphasis on reaching out to all the tribal communities of the world. Of the targeted children at least 50% of them will be girls.

The aim of the initiative is to educate children on various topics, not just about football, and to make them better citizens of their country.

Fédération internationale de Football Association(FIFA)

It is an international organisation that governs football, futsal and beach soccer in the world. At present 211 associations are its members representing their countries .

It also organises the men's and women's football world cup.

It was founded in 1904 in Paris , France .

Headquarters : **Zurich, Switzerland**

President : **Gianni Infantino**

9. Spain successfully defend its FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup title defeating Colombia in the final (Oct. 30, 2022)

FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup

The Spanish women won the FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup title by defeating the Colombian team in the final held at **DY Patil Stadium** in Navi Mumbai on 30 October 2022. Spain has now equalled the record of **North Korea of winning the title twice**.

Spain won the 6th U-17 Women's World Cup 2018 held in Uruguay.

7th FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup 2022

The 7th FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup 2022 was hosted by India for the first time from 11 to 30 October 2022. It was originally scheduled for 2020 but was then postponed due to COVID-19.

A total of 16 teams including Indian participated in the championship which was held at the Kalinga Stadium in Bhubaneswar (Odisha), the Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in Margao (Goa) and the DY Patil Stadium in Navi Mumbai (Maharashtra).

FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup

- It is a biennial football tournament started by FIFA in 2008.
- It will be the second time that India hosts a FIFA tournament after the men's 2017 FIFA U-17 World Cup.
- It is for the first time that India hosted a FIFA women's football tournament.
- Spain and North Korea have won the title twice.

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10. Sankar Muthusamy settles for a silver medal at the BWF World Junior Championships 2022 (Oct. 30, 2022)

Sankar Muthusamy

S Sankar Muthusamy Subramanian had to settle for a silver medal at the 22nd World Junior Badminton Championships 2022 after losing in the men's singles final in Santander, Spain on 30 October 2022. In the final he lost to Chinese Taipei's Kuo Kuan-lin.

The 22nd BWF World Junior Badminton Championships 2022 was held at Santander in Spain from 17-30 October 2022. Players under 19 years of age participates in the tournament.

Medals for India in the championships

India has won an overall 10 medals at the Junior World Badminton Championship.

It has won one gold, four silvers and five bronze medals at the event .

Saina Nehwal is the sole Indian player to have won a gold medal at the championship. She won the gold medal in the 2008 World Junior Championship held at Pune, India.

The last medal for India was won by Lakshya Sen in 2018 when he won the Bronze medal.

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