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1. Sumit Mukherjee wins gold at BFAME Championships in Lahore (May 15, 2023)

Sumit-Mukherjee-wins-gold-at-BFAME-Championships-in-Lahore

Sumit Mukherjee, a metro employee from Kolkata, **won four gold medals at the Bridge Federation of Asia and Middle-East Championship (BFAME) held in Lahore, Pakistan.**

An Overview of the News

- The championship took place from 5 May to 13 May and featured teams from five different countries.
- Sumit Mukherjee was the only railway staff member in the **24-member Indian contingent.**
- The games were divided into four categories: **Open, Women's, Mixed and Senior, and Sumit represented India in the Open category.**
- Sumit Mukherjee had earlier won a **bronze medal** at the 2018 Jakarta Asian Games and the 4th Asia Cup Bridge Championships to be held in **Jakarta in 2022.**

Pakistan Bridge Federation (PBF):

- It is the **official governing body for bridges in Pakistan.**
- It was **established in 1972** as **Pakistan Bridge Association** and in **1993** it was renamed as Pakistan Bridge Federation.
- The PBF is responsible for regulating and overseeing the sport of bridge across the country.

Headquarters - **Karachi**

Regional Affiliation - **Bridge Federation of Asia and the Middle East**

President - **Khurshid Hadi**

2. Hriday Hazarika and Nancy Mandotra won silver medal in 10m air rifle event at ISSF World Cup 2023 (May 14, 2023)

Indian shooters Hriday Hazarika and Nancy Mandotra won the **silver medal in the 10m Air Rifle event** at the **ISSF World Cup 2023 in Baku, Azerbaijan.**

An Overview of the News

- It was the first ISSF World Cup medal for both **Hriday Hazarika (21 years) and Nancy Mandotra (19 years).**
- Hriday Hazarika qualified for the **men's 10m air rifle final**, where he won the silver medal.

ISSF World Cup:

- It was **established in 1986** by the **International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF)**.
- Its main objective is to establish a standardised qualification system for Olympic shooting competitions.
- It includes various shooting events that are part of the Olympic programme.

International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF):

- It serves as the **governing body for Olympic shooting events** and also oversees various **non-Olympic shooting sports**.
- One of its primary functions is to regulate and administer the sport of **shooting on a global scale**.
- It plays an important role in the management of the Olympic Qualification Events and in determining the allocation of quota places for the participating nations.
- It organises international competitions, including the **prestigious ISSF World Cup series and the ISSF World Championships**.

Established - **1907**

Headquarters - **Munich, Germany**

Chairman - **Luciano Rossi**

3. Yashasvi Jaiswal scores fastest IPL 50 (May 12, 2023)

Yashasvi Jaiswal

Rajasthan Royals opener **Yashasvi Jaiswal** etched his name in history by **becoming the fastest fifty in the Indian Premier League** against Kolkata Knight Riders on 12 May.

An overview of the news

- **Chasing 149**, Jaiswal created history by **scoring 50 off just 13 balls**, surpassing **KL Rahul's 14-ball fifty in 2018**. He also went past KKR's Pat Cummins, who scored a **14-ball fifty in 2022**.
- Yashasvi hit **three sixes and seven fours** in the first 50 runs.
- Batting first after losing the toss, **Kolkata scored 149 runs** losing eight wickets in 20 overs.
- The record of scoring the most runs in the first over of the innings is in the name of **Mumbai Indians**. He scored 27 runs in the very first over against **Royal Challengers Bangalore in 2011**. These include seven extras. Rajasthan is at number two.

4. Rhythm Sangwan wins bronze medal in air pistol event at ISSF World Cup 2023 in Baku (May 12, 2023)

Rhythm Sangwan

Rhythm Sangwan representing India **won a bronze medal** in the **women's 10m air pistol** event at the ISSF World Cup 2023 in **Baku, Azerbaijan.**

An Overview of the News

- Sangwan shot 219.1 in the final round to **finish third on the podium.**
- **Anna Korakiaki of Greece**, the 2016 Rio Olympic champion, **won the gold medal**, while **Olena Kostevich**, the **2004 Athens Olympic gold medalist of Ukraine**, **won the silver medal.**

ISSF World Cup:

- It was started in **1986 by the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF).**
- Its primary purpose is to provide a standardised qualification system for the Olympic shooting competitions.
- It is a famous competition for **rifle and pistol shooters** from all over the world.
- It provides a platform for athletes to showcase their skills and compete at the highest level.

About Azerbaijan

- It is a nation and former Soviet republic located between the **Caspian Sea and the Caucasus Mountains.**
- The capital city, Baku, is famous for its **mediaeval walled Inner City.**
- Azerbaijan has hosted international events such as the Eurovision Song Contest and the **Formula 1 Grand Prix.**

President - **Ilham Aliyev**

Vice President - **Mehriban Aliyeva**

Prime Minister - **Ali Asadov**

National Assembly Speaker - **Sahiba Gafarova**

5. Atanu, Mehuli re-included in TOPS (May 11, 2023)

Olympian and World Championship silver medallist archer Atanu Das has been **reincluded in the Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS)** following his impressive

performances at the **domestic circuit and the Archery World Cup in Antalya this year.**

An overview of the news

- **Atanu, who shot 673** to finish **fourth in the men's recurve individual rankings**, is returning to international outdoor competition after almost **one-and-a-half years**.
- The other big name to feature in TOPS is rifle shooter **Mehuli Ghosh**, who won the 10m air rifle event at the **National Shooting Trials** this year.
- Apart from this, 15-year-old **Tilottama Sen** has also been included.
- Tilottama Sen had earlier this year **won a bronze medal** in the **10m air rifle event** at the **Cairo World Cup**, her debut in the senior circuit.
- **A total of 27 new names** were added to the TOPS Core and Development lists, taking the **total number of TOPS athletes to 270 (101 in Core, 269 in Development)**.

Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS)

- It was **created in July 2014** under the auspices of the **National Sports Development Fund (NSDF)** with the objective of identifying and preparing potential medal prospects for the **Olympic and Paralympic Games**.
- It is a flagship program of the **Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports**.
- The idea of the scheme is to look to the future and fund a developmental group of athletes who have the potential to bring medals to the **Olympic Games in Paris in 2024 and Los Angeles in 2028**.

6. Fakhar Zaman, Naruemol Chaivai named ICC Players of the Month for April (May 10, 2023)

Pakistani cricketer Fakhar Zaman was named **ICC Men's Player of the Month** for April 2023 and **Thailand women's cricket team captain Naruemol Chaiwai** was named **ICC Women's Player of the Month** for April 2023.

An Overview Of the News

- Fakhar's exceptional batting skills carried over into the ODI series, where he **scored a brilliant 117 off 114 balls in the first match**, helping **Pakistan win by five wickets**.
- Thailand women's cricket team captain **Naruemol Chaiwai** received the **ICC Women's Player of the Month award for April 2023**.
- Chaiwai played a key role in **Thailand's historic ODI series win against Zimbabwe**, displaying consistent high-scoring performances.

Became the first player from **Thailand to receive this prestigious award.**

About ICC

Establishment - **15 June 1909**

Headquarters - **Dubai, United Arab Emirates**

Chairman - **Greg Barclay**

CEO - **Geoff Allardyce**

General Manager - **Wasim Khan**

Assistant - **Asian Cricket Council**

7. Badminton Asia appoints Umar Rashid as chairman of the Technical Officials Committee (May 10, 2023)

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Badminton Asia appointed **Umar Rasheed, joint secretary of the Badminton Association of India (BAI)**, as the chairman of the Technical Officials Committee.

An Overview Of the News

- As chairman of the technical officials' committee, Rasheed will oversee the development and implementation of rules and regulations to elevate officiating standards in badminton tournaments across the country.
- Rashid is committed to strengthening the governance of badminton in India and the region, by upholding the integrity of the game and ensuring high quality officiating in all tournaments.
- Rashid also serves as the **General Secretary of the Assam Badminton Association**, contributing significantly to the development of badminton in Assam and the Northeast region of India.

Badminton Association of India (BAI):

- It serves as the **governing body** for badminton in India.
- BAI is registered as an association under the **Societies Act**.
- **Since 1936**, BAI has been responsible for organizing and hosting national level badminton tournaments in India.

Establishment -**1934**

Headquarters - **New Delhi**

President - **Himanta Biswa Sarma**

Badminton Asia Championship:

- It is an **annual badminton tournament** organized by the governing body **Badminton Asia**.
- The tournament has been held **since 1962** and has been an **annual event since 1991**.
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8. Asian Weightlifting Championships 2023 (May 9, 2023)

Asian Weightlifting Championships 2023

In Weightlifting, **Indian weightlifters** finished the **Asian Weightlifting Championships 2023 in Jinju, South Korea**, with **three silver medals** on 8th May.

An overview of the news

- For India, **Bindiarani Devi** won two silver medals in the women's **55kg category**, while **Jeremy Lalrinnunga** won a silver medal in the **men's 67 kg snatch category**.
- **Ajit Narayan and Achinta Sheuli** competed in the **men's 73 kg category** but failed to win a medal for India.
- **Ajit Narayan**, competing in his first international weightlifting event, **topped Group B** with a combined lift of **307 kg (snatch 139 kg + clean and jerk 168 kg)**.
- Commonwealth Games 2022 gold medalist **Achinta Sheuli** finished **second in Group B** with a total lift of **305kg (snatch 140kg and clean and jerk 165kg)**.
- This continental championship is the second place event in the qualifying event series for the **Paris 2024 Olympic Games** in which a total of **6 Indian weightlifters participated**.
- Olympic medalist **Mirabai Chanu** had finished **sixth in the women's 49kg category**.

Medal winners of India

- **Bindiarani Devi** (Women's 55kg) - Silver Medal in Overall (Combining Clean & Jerk and Snatch)
- **Bindiarani Devi** (Women's 55kg) - Silver Medal in Clean and Jerk
- **Jeremy Lalrinnunga** (Men's 67kg) - Silver medal in snatch

9. Jeremy Lalrinnunga wins silver in Asian Championships (May 8, 2023)

Jeremy Lalrinnunga wins silver in Asian Championships

Indian weightlifter **Jeremy Lalrinnunga won the silver medal** in the snatch event at the **Asian Weightlifting Championship held in Jinju, Korea on 7 April.**

An Overview of the News

- Jeremy Lalrinnunga, 20, won the silver medal in the snatch event with a lift of 141 kg in the 67 kg category.
- He became the only Indian weightlifter to win a medal at the Asian Weightlifting Championship this year.
- The gold medal in the 67 kg weight category went to China's He Yuji, who finished the event with a higher weight than Lalrinnunga.

Asian Weightlifting Championship:

- It is an event focused on weightlifting and is organised by the Asian Weightlifting Federation.
- This championship is specially designed for athletes from Asian countries.
- Men have been participating in the Asian Weightlifting Championships since 1969, while women have been participating since 1988.
- The objective of the championship is to promote the sport of weightlifting and encourage athletes to showcase their skills and abilities.

10. Pakistan's Babar Azam becomes fastest player to reach 5000 runs in ODIs (May 7, 2023)

Pakistan's Babar Azam becomes fastest player to reach 5000 runs in ODIs

Pakistan skipper Babar Azam on 5th May **became the fastest batsman to complete 5,000 one-day international runs** during the fourth match against New Zealand in Karachi.

An overview of the news

- He crossed the **5000 run-mark in 97 innings. Babar broke Hashim Amla's record** of scoring 5000 runs in **101 innings.**
- Azam has been the **number one batsman in the International Cricket Council's ODI rankings** for the last two years.
- He is the **14th Pakistani** to complete 5,000 or more runs in ODI cricket, topped by former captain **Inzamam-ul-Haq with 11,701 runs.**
- Azam made his ODI debut in **May 2015 against Zimbabwe** in his hometown Lahore.
- Former West Indies legend **Vivian Richards** completed his **5,000 runs in ODIs in 114 innings.**
- Former Indian team captain **Virat Kohli** is **fourth** in this list with 114 innings.

- Australian opening batsman **David Warner** has now reached **number 5 in this list with 115 innings.**