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### 1. Shaili Singh qualifies for Asian Games ( April 21, 2023 )

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**Shaili Singh won the women's long jump event at the Indian Grand Prix-4 held in Bengaluru** on 19 April.

#### An overview of the news

- Union Youth Affairs and Sports Minister **Anurag Singh Thakur** has congratulated Shaili on her victory.
- With a **personal best of 6.76m**, she is now the **second highest long jumper in the history of India** and has qualified for the Asian Games.
- Shelly became the **second highest female long jumper after her idol and mentor Anju Bobby George**.
- Shelly's win in **Indian Grand Prix IV** is a huge milestone and will have a significant impact on the future of Indian sports.
- Athlete Shelly has been training hard at **NCOE Bangalore** under the **Target Olympic Podium (TOP) scheme** and her dedication and commitment towards the sport is truly inspiring.

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#### An Overview of the News

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- Apart from Kaur, the list also includes the names of **Tom Blundell (New Zealand), Ben Foakes (England), Daryl Mitchell (New Zealand) and Matthew Potts (England)**.
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### **Harmanpreet Kaur's performance**

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- With this, Team India won an ODI series in **England for the first time since 1999**.
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### **Suryakumar Yadav's performance in 2022**

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- He played **31 matches in the year 2022 and scored 1,164 runs** at an impressive strike rate of 187.43. Which is the second most runs ever in a calendar year. During this, he had scored 2 centuries and 9 half-centuries.
- Suryakumar is doing better in the year 2023 as well. He has played 6 matches this year and scored 267 runs at an average of 66.75.
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### **An Overview of the News**

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- Indian wrestlers were successful in winning a total of **14 medals in the championship. This includes one gold, three silver and ten bronze medals**.
- With these achievements, India secured the **7th position in the medal tally**.
- The top three nations in the medal table based on gold medals were **Kazakhstan, Japan and Iran**.
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### **8. Indian wrestler Nisha Dahiya won silver medal in Asian Wrestling Championship ( April 14, 2023 )**

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Indian wrestler **Nisha Dahiya won the silver medal** at the **Asian Wrestling Championships** on **April 13, 2023** in **Astana, Kazakhstan**.

### **An Overview of the News**

- In the women's **68 kg category**, Nisha **lost the final match** to **Japan's Ami Ishii** by a **scoreline of 10-0**.
- **Nisha defeated Feng Zhou of China** by a **score of 7-6** in the **semi-finals**.
- Indian wrestler, **Priya Malik won the bronze medal** in the **76 kg category** of the tournament against **Japan's Mizuki Nagashima** in the **repechage round**.
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**9. Shakib Al Hasan wins ICC Men's Player of the Month award for the second time ( April 13, 2023 )**

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On 13 April, **Shakib Al Hasan and Henriette Ishimwe** won the **ICC Men's and Women's Player of the Month awards for March 2023.**

**An Overview of the News**

- Shakib Al Hasan won the **ICC Men's Player of the Month award** for the **second time and first win in July 2021.**
- He was recognized for his key role in Bangladesh's 3-0 T20I series victory over England.
- **19-year-old Rwandan Henriette Ishimwe** won the **ICC Women's Player of the Month award** for her performances in the Nigerian Women's T20I tournament and the ICC Under-19 World Cup in South Africa.
- Ishimwe played a key role in Rwanda's victory over Zimbabwe, taking four wickets in four balls. She also scored 92 runs and took nine wickets including a hat-trick in the Nigerian Women's T20I tournament.
- **Ishimwe is only the second female player** from an **Associate member to win the ICC Player of the Month award.**

**About International Cricket Council (ICC)**

- ICC is the **global governing body for the game of cricket.**
- It was **established in 1909 as Imperial Cricket Conference and later in 1965 it was renamed as International Cricket Conference. In 1989, its name was changed to International Cricket Council.**
- The ICC is responsible for organising major international cricket tournaments such as **the Cricket World Cup, World Twenty20, Champions Trophy and Women's World Cup.**
- The ICC also oversees the **ranking of international teams and players, and sets the rules and regulations of the game.**
- The ICC is made up of **12 full members (Australia, Bangladesh, England, India, New Zealand, Pakistan, South Africa, Sri Lanka, West Indies, Afghanistan, Ireland and Zimbabwe)** and **92 associate members.**

- Full members have Test status and can play official Test matches, while Associate members have ODI and T20I status and can play official One Day Internationals and T20 Internationals.
- Establishment - **15 June 1909**
- Headquarters - **Dubai, United Arab Emirates**
- Chairman - **Greg Barclay**
- CEO - **Geoff Allardyce**
- General Manager - **Wasim Khan**
- Assistant - **Asian Cricket Council**

## **10. India's Antim Pangal wins silver medal at Asian Wrestling Championships ( April 13, 2023 )**

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India's wrestler, **Antim Pangal won the silver medal** in the **53 kg category** at the **2023 Asian Wrestling Championships** held in **Astana, Kazakhstan**.

### **An Overview of the News**

- In the final match, **Pangal lost to Akari Fujinami of Japan**.
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- The championship has been held every year since its inception, except in 1984 and 2020.

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