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1. Rest of India won the 2023 Irani Cup by 175 runs (Oct. 3, 2023)

Rest of India won the 2023 Irani Cup by defeating Saurashtra by 175 runs. This was Rest of India's 30th Irani Cup title.

An Overview of the News

- The match took place at the Saurashtra Cricket Association Stadium in Rajkot, Gujarat from 1 October to 3 October 2023.
- The Irani Cup marks the beginning of the Indian domestic cricket season.
- It shows the match between the Ranji Trophy champions and the Rest of India team.
- Hanuma Vihari led Rest of India, while Jaydev Unadkat captained Saurashtra.

Brief Score:

- Rest of India: 308 (1st innings) and 160 (2nd innings)
- Saurashtra: 214 (1st innings) and 79 (2nd innings)

Irani Cup:

- It is organized by the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI).
- This is a four-day cricket match.
- The tournament was started in the 1969-70 season in honor of the late BCCI treasurer Zai Irani.

2. Annu Rani won the first gold medal for India in the women's javelin throw event at the Asian Games (Oct. 3, 2023)

On Day 10 of the 19th Asian Games, Annu Rani won the first gold medal for India in the women's javelin throw event at the Asian Games.

An Overview of the News

- With two gold, two silver and five bronze, India's total medal tally reached 69 as of October 3, 2023.

Gold Medalist:

- **Annu Rani** won the gold medal in women's javelin throw with a distance of 62.92 meters, her second medal at the Asian Games.
- **Parul Choudhary** wins gold medal in women's 5000m final. This is her second medal at the Hangzhou Games, having earlier won a silver medal in the women's 3000-meter steeplechase race.

Silver Medal Winner:

- **Tejaswin Shankar** won a silver medal in the men's decathlon, breaking the national record in the process. This was his first Asian Games medal.
- **Mohammad Afsal** won a silver medal in the men's 800-meter race.

Bronze Medal Winners:

- Despite losing his semi-final bout against Kazakhstan's Kamshibek Kunkabayev, **Narendra Berwal** won a bronze medal in the men's +92 kg boxing event.
- **Vithya Ramraj** earned a bronze medal in the women's 400m hurdles final and equaled PT Usha's national record in the heats.
- Despite losing her semi-final match to 2018 Asian Games champion Chang Yuan of China, **Preeti Pawar** won a bronze medal in women's 54kg boxing.
- **Arjun Singh and Sunil Singh Salam** won the bronze medal in the men's canoe double 1000m final, India's second canoe medal in Asian Games history.
- **Praveen Chitravel** won the bronze medal in the men's triple jump with a jump of 16.68 meters.

3. India won 60 medals including 13 gold in Asian Games 2023 in Hangzhou (Oct. 2, 2023)

As of 2 October 2023, India has won 60 medals (13 gold, 24 silver, 23 bronze).

An Overview of the News

- A 655-member Indian contingent participated in the Asian Games 2023 in Hangzhou.
- The event began on 23 September and will end on 8 October.

Previous performances at Jakarta 2018:

- India achieved a historic record with 70 medals (16 gold, 23 silver, 31 bronze).

Asian Games 2023 total medal tally as of 2 October 2023:

- China is on top with 142 gold medals.
- Japan is in second place with 31 gold medals.
- The Republic of Korea is in third place with 30 gold medals.

Hangzhou Asian Games 2023:

- Chinese President Xi Jinping officially opened the 19th Asian Games in Hangzhou, China on September 23, 2023.

- The 19th Hangzhou Asian Games will be held from 23 September to 8 October 2023.
- The opening ceremony was held at the Hangzhou Olympic Sports Center Stadium, also known as the Big Lotus.
- Nearly 12,500 athletes from 45 countries and territories in Asia are competing in 61 disciplines across 40 sports.
- The slogan of the Games is 'Heart to Heart, @Future.'

Important Points

- India has sent a strong delegation of 665 members to these games.
- During the opening ceremony, the Indian team flag was raised by Indian men's hockey team captain Harmanpreet Singh and Olympic bronze medalist in boxing Lovlina Borgohain.

4. Murali Sreeshankar wins silver medal in men's long jump at Hangzhou Asian Games (Oct. 1, 2023)

India's Murali Sreeshankar won a silver medal in the men's long jump event at the Hangzhou Asian Games with a best jump of 8.19 meters.

An Overview of the News

- Wang Jianan of China won the gold medal with a jump of 8.22 meters.
- Murali Sreeshankar's personal and season's best jump is 8.41 meters, which ranks him fourth globally and second among Asian athletes.
- Another Indian athlete Jesswin Aldrin finished eighth in the same event with a best jump of 7.76 metres.
- Jesswin Aldrin remains the season leader among Asian athletes and is ranked third in the world.

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5. Indian tennis pair Bopanna and Bhosale win a gold medal in mixed doubles at the 2023 Asian Games (Oct. 1, 2023)

Indian tennis pair Rohan Bopanna and Rutuja Bhosale won the gold medal in mixed doubles tennis at the 2023 Asian Games.

An Overview of the News

- Rohan Bopanna and Rutuja Bhosale defeated Yu-Hsiu Hsu and Hao-Ching Chan of Chinese Taipei by 2-6, 6-3, 10-4 to ensure their victory.
- India had to come from behind after losing the first set 2-6 but they came back and won the next two sets.
- It was India's second tennis medal at the 2023 Asian Games after Ramkumar Ramanathan and Saketh Myneni had earlier won a silver in men's doubles tennis.

India's Mixed Doubles Success:

- India has won a total of seven medals in the mixed doubles category at the Asian Games, which includes three gold medals.
- Champions in this category have been Leander Paes and Sania Mirza at Doha 2006, as well as Saketh Myneni and Sania Mirza at Incheon 2014.

6. India Clinches Gold in Men's Squash at 2023 Asian Games (Oct. 1, 2023)

India Clinches Gold in Men's Squash Team Event at 2023 Asian Games, Defeating Pakistan 2-1

An Overview of the News

- Abhay Singh led the Indian team to victory in a tough match in the final round.
- The match started with Mahesh M losing to Nasir Iqbal in straight games (8-11, 3-11, 2-11).
- Saurav Ghoshal leveled the match with an impressive 11-5, 11-1, 11-3 win over Muhammad Asim.
- Abhay Singh won the gold medal with an 11-7, 9-11, 7-11, 11-9, 12-10 win over Noor Zaman.
- The women's squash team won the bronze medal at the Hangzhou 2023 Asian Games after losing to Hong Kong, China in the semi-finals.

Historical Achievement

- This is India's second gold medal in squash at the Asian Games, the previous gold medal was won by the men's team in 2014.
- The Indian men's team had earned the bronze medal at the 2018 Jakarta Games.

7. India's Roshibina Devi Naorem wins silver medal in women's Wushu at Asian Games 2023 (Sept. 28, 2023)

India's Roshibina Devi Naorem won a silver medal in the women's 60 kg category in Wushu at the Asian Games in Hangzhou.

An Overview of the News

- Naorem Roshibina Devi won a silver medal in the women's Wushu final (60 kg category), India's first silver medal in Wushu.
- PV Sindhu, ranked 17th globally, won the badminton match against Mongolia's Mygmartseren Ganbaatar with a score of 21-2, 21-3.
- In shooting, Arjun Singh Cheema is in 14th position with a score of 9.650, Sarabjot Singh is in 30th position with 9.500 and Shiv Narwal is in 37th position with 9.400.
- In the skeet mixed team final, Anant Jeet and Ganemat are placed seventh with 18 points.
- The Indian men's football team will face Saudi Arabia in the round of 16.

Asian Games Update:

- Day 5 of the Asian Games 2023 is in Hangzhou, China.
- India has a total of 23 medals: 5 gold, 8 silver and 10 bronze.
- India is currently ranked seventh overall.

8. India's Sift Kaur Samra gives India its 5th gold in the Asian Games 2023 (Sept. 27, 2023)

Sift Kaur Samra won gold in the women's 50m rifle 3-P individual event, giving India its fifth gold medal at the Asian Games in Hangzhou.

An Overview of the News

- The Indian team of Manu Bhaker, Rhythm Sangwan and Isha Singh won the gold medal in the women's 25m pistol shooting event.
- Isha Singh earned a silver medal in the women's individual 25m pistol event by finishing second behind China's Rui Liu.
- Anant Jeet Singh Naruka won the silver medal in the men's skeet final with an impressive score of 58 out of 60 shots.

India's overall medal tally:

- India's total medal count at the Asian Games 2023 now stands at 22, which includes 5 gold, 7 silver and 10 bronze medals.
- Vishnu Saravanan won bronze for India in the ILCA-7 event by finishing third with a net score of 34.
- The Indian trio of Sift Samra Kaur, Aashi Chouksey, and Manini Kaushik won the silver medal in the 50m rifle team event.
- Aashi Chouksey also won a bronze medal in the individual 50-meter rifle event.

9. India won a historic gold medal in the Equestrian Dressage Team event at the Hangzhou Asian Games. (Sept. 26, 2023)

On the third day of the 19th Hangzhou Asian Games in 2023, India won a historic gold medal in the Equestrian Dressage Team event, returning to the top position after 41 years by defeating China.

An Overview of the News

- The Indian team of Hriday Chheda, Anush Aggarwal, Divyakriti Singh, and Sudipti Hajela achieved this victory on September 26, 2023.
- India's performance on the third day resulted in a total of one gold, one silver and one bronze medal.
- 17-year-old Neha Thakur won a silver medal in the girls' dinghy - ILCA4 event.
- Ibad Ali won the bronze medal in the Men's Windsurfer – RS:X event.
- India's first gold medal at the 19th Asian Games came from the men's 10m air rifle shooting team, comprising Divyansh Panwar, Rudranksh Patil and Aishwarya Pratap.
- The Indian women's cricket team won the second gold for India.
- By the end of the third day of the competition, India's medal tally stood at 14 medals, including three gold, four silver and seven bronze medals.

Medal status:

- In the total medal count, China continues to top the medal tally with 85 medals including 47 gold, 25 silver and 13 bronze.
- South Korea finished second with a total of 44 medals, including 13 gold, 13 silver and 18 bronze medals.
- India finished sixth in the medal table with a total of 14 medals.

10. Italy's Marco Bezzecchi wins Indian MotoGP premiere (Sept. 26, 2023)

Italian motorcycle racer Marco Bezzecchi, representing the Mooney VR46 Racing Team, took victory in the inaugural Indian MotoGP event held at the Buddh International Circuit (BIC) in Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh on September 23, 2023.

An Overview of the News

- Marco Bezzecchi completed the race in an impressive time of 36 minutes, 59 seconds and 15 microseconds.
- Second place in the race was taken by Spain's Jorge Martin, representing Prime Pramac Racing, while third place was taken by France's Fabio Quartararo, representing Monster Energy Yamaha.
- The coveted winner's trophy was presented to Marco Bezzecchi by Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath.
- The Indian MotoGP event was organized by FairStreet Sports (MotoGP India) under the supervision of the Fédération Internationale de Motocyclisme (FIM), the international governing body for motorsports.
- Buddh International Circuit, located in Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh, is a famous venue which previously hosted three Formula 1 car races between 2011 and 2013.

Federation Internationale de Motocyclisme (FIM):

- It is the global authority overseeing motorcycle racing.
- It was originally founded in Paris, France in 1904 as the Fédération Internationale des Clubs Motocyclistes (FICM), changing its name to Fédération Internationale de Motocyclisme in 1949.