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Sports Current Affairs 2010

Sachin Tendulkar scores fifty centuries in test cricket (19th Dec 2010)

Sachin Tendulkar scored his fiftieth test century in the second innings of the first test against South Africa at the Centurion. The master blaster scored his century in 196 balls with 12 fours and one six. Even though India lost the first test Sachin's century helped about bringing some respectability to the proceedings. Incidentally he has also been named the ICC player of the year.

Indian cricket team wins its second test at Durban (16th Dec 2010).

The Indian team had a poor game at the centurion where they were bundled out by an innings and twenty five runs by their South African counterparts. The second test they came back with a much more inspired performance with both bat and bowl leading to their first ever win in Durban which had always troubled them in the past. India had scored 205 and 228 in their two innings while the South Africans could score only 131 and 215 respectively. The star of the match was V. VS Laxman whose 96 helped India seal victory.

Saina Nehwal wins Honk Kong Open Super Series (12th Dec 2010).

India's star sportswoman Saina Nehwal rallied around from a one game deficit to win 15 – 21, 21 – 16, 21 – 17 over Wang Shixian of China. Saina finished off her year on a wonderful note and has an unmatched record compared to any Indian player with regard to winning the super series title. Current Affairs

Chelsea lose third match out of fourth (16th Nov 2010)

Birmingham City defeated Chelsea by a score of 1 – 0 at Birmingham City making this the third defeat to be suffered by Chelsea in the four matches that it has played so far. This win helped Manchester United to move up in the English Premier League rankings. Birmingham gained three points in the rankings thanks to the one and only winning goal scored by its player Lee Bowyer. Newcastle lost 5 – 1 to Bolton while West Ham lost 3 – 0 to Liverpool alongside Blackpool and Stoke who claimed their respective victories. In their game against Tottenham Hotspur, Chelsea let slip past their initial lead of 2 – 0, to finally lose the game at a score of 3 – 2. The game was at a score of 2 – 0 till half time with Chelsea winning but a combination of lack of concentration in players and simple bad luck cost Chelsea the match.

Cricket in 2014 Asian Games (15th Nov 2010)

Rumors recently originated that cricket had been removed from the list of proposed sports and events of the 2014 Asian games. The reason for these rumors has been said to be the decision of the Olympic Committee of Asia to limit the number of sporting events in the Asian games to a maximum of 35. However, these fears proved out to be false as the OCA recently confirmed the inclusion of cricket in the list of sporting events for the Asian games 2014. For the time being cricket and karate have been confirmed as two out of the seven non Olympic events in these games while the other five are still to be decided. However, South Korean organizers are said to not be in support of this decision.

Nadal and Clijsters (Nov 2010)

Rafael Nadal continues to hold the top spot in the ATP rankings with his score being close to 11900 points while Roger Federer holds the spot of number two. On the other hand Kim Clijsters fell to the third position in the WTA rankings released recently followed by Serena Williams on the fourth position.

Abu Dhabi Grand Prix (Nov 2010)

Following his win in the Korean Grand Prix, third position in Brazil and third position in the qualifiers of the Abu Dhabi Grand Prix, Fernando Alonso of Ferrari looked like the possible winner. However the title slipped out of his hands, much to his surprise and landed into the hands of Vettel making him the youngest Formula One champion in the history of F1 racing aged just 23 years. Current Affairs

A century of Medals in CWG 2010: (15th Oct 2010)

Thanks to the final in the woman badminton category that India was able to taste the sweet gland of a century tally of medals for the very first time in any CWG edition. India had tallied 38 gold, 27 silver and 36 bronze medals which cumulatively read 101 medals. Even though India were shattered to an 8 – 0 defeat by the Aussies the woman shuttlers'heroics steered them to a total of medals that read 101. India finished ahead of England (142) and behind Australia (177). The culminating day (Oct 14th) saw the quest of an unimaginable 2nd place finish thanks to Jwala and Ashwini. They defeated Singapore's Sari Shanti Mulia and Yao Lei with some ease and become the lone pair so far to win gold in women badminton (doubles). But the cherry on the cake was put by Indian badminton pioneer-Saina Nehwal. The hosts scalped addition one inclusive of a bronze medal when our table tennis masters Poulomi Ghatak and Mouma Das won in the doubles for women bronze medal final round alongside the Australian pair. Tan Zed Vivian and Peri Campbell-Innes. But the finals for the hockey men were a match to forget as they were thumped by the Kangaroos scoring 8 past their goal. Going into this match with some resilient attitude as shown in the semis, the Aussies brought them to ground by outplaying them with power play.

Master Blaster's the Best; ICC admits:

Sachin Tendulkar (quite unsurprisingly) was shortlisted for the most decorated cricketing accolade in contempt period, an award given to the greatest cricketer for the year that is named

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after Sir Garfield Sobers. The Master Blaster turned out to be the second Indian to win the accolade following the success of Rahul Dravid in the same award six years before. Afterwards accumulating 1, 000 runs in Test match cricket this calendar year more to the point becoming the aboriginal cricketer to score a double century in LOI cricket playing against South Africa on Feb 24th 2010 in Gwalior, Sachin completed a double of awards at the even by also winning the famous-LG People's Choice Award. The Men in Blue had a lot extra to applaud about as their striking opener, Virender Sehwag, with 1, 282 runs in the game's longer adaptation, was chosen as the Test Cricketer of the Year and MS Dhoni was selected as the captain of a World Test XI. In the previous, Sehwag's Delhi team mate as well as opening partner, Gautam Gambhir was given this privilege. Decorated Indian off-spinner, B S Bedi was introduced into the Hall of Fame (for ICC) forth along with the legendary West Indies'fast bowlers Garner and Walsh and Rachael Heyhoe Flint (ex-England women cricketer) The LOI (also known as ODI) Player of the Year was bagged by the South African cricketer A. B. De Villiers.

Kangaroos see BLUE in India:

In a highly anticipated and evenly fought cricket competition between two giants of the beautiful game of cricket between India and Australia, the former proved to be good for the Aussies. The Australian team over a period of time has seen its main workforce in Gilchrist, Hayden, McGrath and others retiring had to rely majorly on the young breed of players lacking experience of play in the Indian subcontinent. India had slipped its rank down a bit from No. 1 and was in a quest to get it back. That's what actually transpired. Thanks to the great heroics of Sachin along with the rest of his teammates India were not only able to beat the Aussies but finish it as a clean sweep which the team Down Under hadn't experienced for quite some time. Sachin's double ton was the highlight of the series and imperative in order to retain the coveted Border-Gavaskar Trophy. Apart from the Test Series, India also won the ODI series without losing single game (1 – 0). Two of the three matches were abandoned due to bad weather conditions while the sole game played, India convincingly beat the Australians thanks to a solid partnership between Suresh Raina and Mohit Tiwary. The partnership between the two batsmen helped India to chase down a total just under 300.

Current Affairs (September 2010)

Kalmadi and Co. Pocket Common man's Wealth:

The contempt letters of forgery and fraud in Commonwealth Games resulted in an abnormally affliction of our nation's picture. The bulk of finances used up on modernizing the venues for Commonwealth Games accommodate a prima facie affirmation of ample calibration enticement in the alignment of Commonwealth Games. The abstracts accessible on the Commonwealth Games website reveals that the amount of refurbishing the JNU stadium was USD 215 million; the IGI Stadium USD 150 million; the Hockey stadium (named after Dhyan Chand) USD 60 million; and the Shooting Alleys USD 35 million. An absolute sum of USD 10150 million was spent on renovations. The costs incurred in the advance of the lone cricket stadium in Delhi were USD 20 million. For the LBS stadium in Hyderabad was USD 18 million, and architecture

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of a contemporary and technology studded stadium in the city of oranges amounted USD 19 million. It is acute that the Central Government anon adjustment a top akin analysis into this arrangement and the dealings embarked on. It is abominable that such all-embracing abuse of communal resources has taken abode in the name of the Commonwealth Games. The accusations of inducement ambit from favoritism in accolade of affairs to big-ticket appoint of accessories for training and abrupt accretion in the costs of architecture treaties.

Bridge Collapses; Casualties cross double figures:

Reportedly not less than 27 people were afflicted afterwards an under-construction foot over bridge burst within the close proximity of the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, the capital area of the Commonwealth Games, bidding the Organizing Committee (OC) to awning up by giving a statement or in other words a false sense of complacency and assurance that everything is being taken care of. The arch was to hotlink the amphitheater to parking for delegates and athletes. The Urban Development Minister, Jaipal Reddy has dismissed the pressures by quoting it is a negligible incident. The Public Works Department (PWD) has urged for an account of the structure from the builders. Later the aforementioned day, Organizing Committee Secretary General Lalit Bhanot addressed reporters: We will put up a great show. He said the venues will be all set in the days to come and there would be added sprucing to accommodate top notch standards. However, the mishap is a concern to the CWG organizers, who are already nabbed amidst accuse of laziness and fraud for the XIX Edition. Previously, Mike Hooper, the main controller of the Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF), remarked on the condition of hygiene at the Games Village as "dirty."

Chennai are the Super Kings of Twenty20 Cricket:

The Mahendra Singh Dhoni led Chennai Super Kings are the champions of the second edition of the AirTel Champions League Twenty20 hosted by South Africa from September 10th to September 26th. Chennai Super Kings defeated their fellow finalists in some fashion by 8 wickets in the final of the Champions League T20 2010. Warriors had won the toss earlier and decided to bat first but bootless to account an appropriate target, but only capable to set a minimal total of mere 128 runs for 7 wickets. Only Davy Jacobs's denticulate 34 runs were the notable contribution and was also the best from the entire batting lineup of the Warriors. Muttiah Muralidaran was the most booming bowler scalping 3 wickets for only 16 runs. Ashwin got a couple of wickets for 16 runs as well. Chennai Super Kings started off in some style by baking batting by Murali Vijay who denticulate a 58 run total. Michael Hussey fabricated 42 handy runs to the total. The Opening brace fabricated 103 runs which fabricated their way of triumph easier than it ever seemed. With this Murali Vijay became the highest run getter of the second edition of the Champions League Twenty20. He was facilitated with the Man of the Match Award. With such great triumph on the world stage, the Indian and CSK captain has silenced his critics and is still in contention to be the best ever captain in the world today.

Current Affairs (August 2010)

Sehwag denied century

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A deliberate no ball by the Sri Lankan off-spinner Suraj Randiv to prevent Virender Sehwag from completing his century in the tri-series has left a bad taste in the mouth for all cricket lovers. Indians were just short of 5 runs from destination called victory and the opening batsman VEERU was just a run away from his ton. At the same time Lankan skipper chose spinner S. Randiv to come in and bowl. On the third bowl of his spell Virender Sehwag sent the bowl out of the fence with a huge six but the turning point was that it was a no ball which defended Virender Sehwag from completing his century. As per the declaration of the match referee it was been found out that it was an intentional attempt.

Shooting Gold

Tejaswini Sawant created history by becoming India's first female shooter to clinch gold at the World Shooting Championship held in Munich, Germany. The 29-year-old, who shot a score of 597/600 (100, 100, 100, 99, 99, 99), equaling the world record in the process, won the 50m rifle prone event

Sri Lanka wins the tri series

The host Sri Lanka 'eight wicket victory over India in Dambulla represents its 25th win in a tournament final. Sri Lankan skipper Kumar Sangakkara' who won the toss decided to bat against India in the tri-series final. The Sri Lankans won the match by 74 runs in this game. With this it became the second team to win a tournament final on 25 occasions. Australia has won 52 tournament finals.

First Indian US PGA Tour winner

Arjun Atwal has become the first Indian Golfer to win the US PGA tour. Atwal, who started playing at the age of fourteen, became one of the leading players on the Asian Tour and the European tour. He is the the first native East Indian golfer to become a member of, and later win the US PGA Tour.

Current Affairs (July 2010)

Saina Nehwal: A smash hit

The Indian Open Grand Prix Gold, the Singapore Open Super Series and then the Indonesian Open Super Series at Jakarta have given enough reasons to Saina to celebrate. The World No. 3 defeated a fighting Sayaka Sato of Japan 21 – 19, 13 – 21, 21 – 11 in the badminton finals. Just two notches away from the badminton World No. 1, Saina is now indisputably India's top female athlete.

Khel awards

Saina Nehwal to be conferred the country's top sporting honour-the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna award. While Jhulan Goswami skipper of womens cricket team, boxer Dinesh Kumar and Sandeep Singh are tipped to receive the Arjuna Awards in recognition of their outstanding achievements during the last one year, Footballer Sunil Chhetri and Deepak Mondal have also

been nominated for the award that will be given away in Rashtrapati Bhawan on 29th Aug by President Pratibha Patil.

World cup for Spain

In a historic football victory Spain lifted their first-ever World Cup after defeating Netherlands 1 – 0 in Johannesburg. Andres Iniesta secured the only goal of an enthralling final against the Netherlands four minutes from the end of extra-time on Sunday leading his team to victory.

Current Affairs (June 2010)

French Open 2010:

Men's singles-Rafael Nadal defeated Robin Soderling. He is the second person after Bjorn Borg to win 5th French Open titles.

Women's singles-Francesca Schiavone (Italy) defeated Samantha Stosur (Australia). She became first Italian women to win the French open.

Men's Doubles-Daniel Nestor & Nenad Zimonjic defeated Lukas Dlouhy & Leander Paes.

Women's Doubles-Serena Williams & Venus Williams defeated Kveta Peschke & Katarina Srebotnik.

Mixed Doubles-Katarina Srebotnik & Nenad Zimonjic defeated Yavoslava Shvedova & Julian Knowle.

Saina Nehwal defeated Choo Wong Mew to win women's single title in Yonex-Sunrise Indian Open badminton championship. In the Men's singles Yunus Alamsyah won the title.

Saina Nehwal defeated Japan's Sayaka Sato to win women's singles title in Indonesian Open Super Series 2010.

Indian Ronjan Sodhi won the double trap gold medal at ISSF World Cup in Lonato, Italy.

India defeated Sri Lanka to win Asia Cup (Cricket) 2010. India won the title after 15 years i.e.. It won the cup in 1995.

Saina Nehwal won the Women's singles title in Singapore Super Series badminton championship 2010 defeating China's Tzu Ying Tai. It was her 2nd consecutive title.

3000th ODI (One day international) cricket match was played between England & Australia.

Current Affairs (May 2010)

England won 2010 ICC World Twenty20 Cricket tournament defeating Australia. The tournament was held at West Indies. Kevin Pieterston of England has been declared as Player of the Tournament.

Australia won 2010 Women's World Twenty20 Cricket tournament defeating New Zealand.

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India and South Korea were declared joint winner of 2010 Sultan Azlan Shah Hockey Cup, after suspension of the final match due to heavy rains. India's Sardar Singh has been declared as Best Player of the Tournament. Australia won the Bronze medal. The tournament was held at Ipoh (Malaysia). India had won the tournament earlier in 1985, 1991, 1995 & 2009.

China won Thomas Cup (Men's Badminton) defeating Indonesia.

In the World Youth Boxing Championship, held at Baku, Azerbaijan, India won 1 Gold & 1 Silver. Gold medal was won by Vikas Krishan and Silver medal was won by Shiva Thapa.

India won bronze medal in the 2nd Asian Paragliding Championship held at Nishiewa, Japan.

World Chess Champion Viswanathan Anand retained his title after defeating Veselin Topalov of Bulgaria in the World Chess Championship 2010.

Current Affairs (April 2010)

IPL3 season won by Chennai Super Kings defeating Mumbai Indians.

Youth Olympics Games 2010 to be held in Singapore in Aug 2010.

World Youth Championship was held at Baku, Azerbaijan.

Lawn tennis legend Martina Navratilova diagnosed with Breast Cancer.

'Jumbo' chosen as 2011 World Cricket Cup Mascot.

World Kabbadi Cup 2010-India defeated Pakistan to won World Cup Kabbadi 2010 held at Ludhiana.

Pankaj Advani won the Asian Billiards Championship defeating Singapore's Peter Gilchrist for the consecutive third time.

Badminton Asia Championship, Delhi:

Men's singles-Lin Dan defeated Wang Zhenguang

Women's singles-Li Xiurei defeated Liu Xin.

Current Affairs (March 2010)

Tamil Nadu defeated West Bengal to won Vijay Harare Cricket Trophy.

Australia won World Hockey Cup 2010 defeating Germany. India ranked at 8th place.

India won six gold medal in the Commonwealth Boxing Championship held at Delhi.

Two new IPL teams, Kochi was auctioned for Rs. 1533 crore and Pune was auctioned for Rs. 1702 crore. Kochi was auctioned to Rendezvous Adventure Sports Ltd. Pune was auctioned to Sahara Adventure Sports Ltd.

Current Affairs (February 2010)

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Sachin Tendulkar became first player in the world to score a double century in ODI (One day International). He scored 200 (Not out) against South Africa.

11th South Asian Games 2010: Held at Dhaka, Bangladesh from 29 Jan to 8 Feb. Originally scheduled to take place in 2009, but due to general elections in Bangladesh, the games were held in 2010. This was the third time that the Dhaka hosted the Games, thus becoming the first city to hold the games three times. 8 countries participated in the games in 23 different sports, including T20 cricket, which was introduced for the first time in SAG. The 8 countries included are Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan & Sri Lanka. 1The logo of the games was 'Kutumb' a flying doel, which is the national bird of Bangladesh. The mascot of the games featured a magpie robin, which was holding the torch to begin the games. The final medal tally include: India-1st place with 90 G 55 S 29 B Total 174, Pakistan-2nd place with 19 G 25 S 36 B Total 80, Bangladesh-3rd place with 18 G 23 S 56 B Total 97.

West Zone won Duleep Trophy (2009 – 10) defeating South Zone.

India's Gaganjeet Bhullar won the Asian Tour International Trophy 2010. It is his 2nd consecutive title.

Euro 2012 to be co-hosted by Poland and Ukraine.

2010 Winter Olympic Games were held at Vancouver, Canada. Mascot of the game was MIGA (a sea bear), QUATCHI (a sasquatch) and SUMI (animal guardian spirit). The logo of the games was Ilnaaq meaning Friend in Inuktitut. There were 86 events in 7 sports. The games were held from 12 Feb to 28 Feb. Final medal tally. Canada-14 G 7 S 5 B, Germany-10 G 13 S 7 B, USA-9 G 15 S 13 B.

IOC (International Olympic Committee) has approved ICC (International Cricket Council) bid to join the Olympic games 2020. The first time cricket was included in the Olympic games was in Paris Olympic 1900.

11th World Hockey Cup 2010-To be held in Delhi, India. This is 2nd WHC which India is hosting. India also hosted the WHC in 1982 at Mumbai. 12 countries participated in the tournament. WHC is held in the years between two summer Olympics. First WHC was held at Barcelona in 1971. Pakistan has won the cup four times, Netherland three times, Germany two times, India & Australia once each. India won the WHC in 1975.

Commonwealth Shooting Championship was held in New Delhi in Feb 2010. India stood at first place with 35 Gold 25 Silver and 14 Bronze. England stood at 2nd place with 4 gold and Wales stood at 3rd place.

Current Affairs (January 2010)

U – 19 World Cup 2010 held in New Zealand from 15 – 30 Jan 2010. Javagal Srinath from India appointed as one of the match referee for the tournament.

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Australia won the U – 19 World Cup for the third time defeating Pakistan. India is placed at 6th rank. Australia won the cup for the third time.

Rafael Nadal won the Capitala World Tennis Championships, held at Abu Dhabi defeating Robin Soderling.

Magnus Carlsen becomes the youngest World No. 1 chess player at the age of 19 years breaking the Garry Kasparov's record when he became the world's top ranked chess player at the age of 22 years in 1985. Magnus Carlsen is the 5th player after Kasparov, Kramnik, Topalov and V. Anand (India) to cross the 2800 ELO rating. In the Jan 2010 FIDE ranking, Carlsen stood at 1st place, Topalov at 2nd place and V Anand at 3rd place.

Marin Cilic defeated Staniglas Wawrinka to win Men's singles title of Aircel Chennai Open.

Pakistan's cricketer Shahid Afridi was banned for two T20 internationals after he was found guilty of ball tempering in a ODI against Australia.

Corus Chess Grandmaster Tournament won by Magnus Carlsen. V. Anand of India ranked at 4th place. Hopman Cup 2010-Spain defeated Great Britain.

Australian Open 2010: Women's Single-Serena William defeated Justin Henin. It is Serena's 5th Australian Open title. It is also Serena's 12th Grand Slam title equaling the record of Billie Jean King.

Men's Single-Roger Federer (Swiss) defeated Andy Murray (Britain). It is Federer's 4th Australian Open title. It is Federer's 16th Grand Slam title.

Men's Double-Mike Bryan & Bob Bryan defeated Daniel Nestor & Nenad Zimonjic.

Women's Double-Serena Williams & Venus Williams defeated Cara Black & L Huber.

Mixed Double-Laender Paes (India) & Cara Black (Zimbabwe) defeated Ekterina Makasova & Jaroslav Levinsky. It is Paes's 11th Grand Slam title.

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