

2nd Test: Rahane, Pujara flop show continues as Indian middle-order disappoints again

JONANNESBURG, Jan 3:

Cheteshwar Pujara and Ajinkya Rahane's saga of failures compounded a shoddy batting performance by India even as stand-in skipper KL Rahul impressed with a defiant show amid the ruins on the opening day of the second Test against South Africa here today.

Rahul's patient 50-run knock on a day when India missed Virat Kohli due to back spasms and Ravichandran Ashwin's cavalier 46 at the rear end ensured that India scored 202 in their first innings on a bouncy Wanderers track.

At stumps, Mohammed Shami sent back Aiden Markram even as Dean Elgar (11 batting) and Keegan Peterson (14 batting) took South Africa to 35 for 1. It could have been two down had Rishabh Pant snapped Peterson off Jasprit Bumrah, which seemed a regulation catch.

Worse, Mohammed Siraj hobbled off with what looked like a hamstring strain and if it's bad news, then India would be left with four bowlers.

However, a lot of blame should go to India's batters as some like Pujara didn't show

intent to score while others like Rahane seemed completely short of confidence.

It prompted the legendary Sunil Gavaskar to say it is on air, "I think the next innings will be their last chance."

Having given up hopes to play for England, Duanne Olivier (3/67 in 17 overs), playing his first game for South Africa in three years, dismissed Pujara (3 off 33 balls) and Rahane (0) off successive deliveries to make it difficult for the Indians.

Marco Jansen (4/31 in 17 overs), with his giant frame, created awkward lengths for every Indian batter while Kagiso Rabada (3/64 in 17.1 overs), despite not being at his best, got wickets when it mattered.

In his first game as captain, Rahul concentrated hard as he played 133 deliveries. He was peppered with short balls. He would sway to some and duck the others while pulling the ones that he could.

His back-foot driving was majestic and he rode the bounce while going for the flashy cut shots.

Such is beauty of sport that Rahul, who till five months ago

wasn't supposed to start as an opener in England, is now being groomed as an all-format India captain.

If the first day composure is any indication, he won't do a bad job.

But then there was a moment's indiscretion when he played one pull shot too many and holed out in the fine leg region.

Prior to that shot, the occasional pull that he played, Rahul rolled his bat over and tried to keep it down the ground but in this case, he got under the Jansen short ball and didn't get the required elevation.

He had a nice little partnership of 42 runs with Hanuma Vihari (20) before an inspirational close-in catch from Rassie Van der Dussen at short leg sent the latter back.

Rishabh Pant (17) and an attacking Ashwin (24 batting 21 balls) added 40 in quick time but what India needed was a partnership of at least 75 if not 100.

At the start, Mayank Agarwal (26) looked fluent in the first hour with five boundaries before Jansen pitched one in the spot from where it wasn't on drivable length as it climbed on. The opener went for a drive only to edge that to wicketkeeper Kyle Verreynne.

Rahul, on his part, survived strong caught behind and leg before appeals which were negated by debutant umpire Allahudien Palekar, someone who impressed on debut. (PTI)

ACC lifts Ajit & Rishu Memorial T20 trophy

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Jan 3: Getting the better of Sunny Cricket Club by a narrow margin of 20 runs in the summit clash, Ajay Cricket Club lifted the title trophy of Ajit Sharma and Rishu Mahajan Memorial Cricket Tournament at Palli, Bari Brahmana, near here today.

Earlier, winning the toss and batting first, Ajay Cricket Club scored 140 runs in the stipulated 20 overs. Anku top scored with 42 runs off 30 balls, while Shotu contributed 38 runs off 40 balls.

In reply, Sunny Cricket Club bundled out for 120 runs, thus lost the match by 20 runs. Bhanu and Sunny contributed 32 and 28 runs to the total respectively. Sanjeev Sharma, PRO to Union Minister, Dr Jitendra Singh was the chief guest on the occasion, while cricket promoter Prithvi Raj Sharma, Sarpanch Randhir Sharma, Advocate Sukesh Sharma, Advocate Mahendra Bhardwaj and Rajeev Sharma were the guest of honour.



Players evincing keen interest during chess games at Press Club Jammu on Monday.

UT level Chess C'ship commences at PCJ

Excelsior Sports Correspondent

JAMMU, Jan 3: UT level Chess Championship, being organized by All J&K Chess Association, commenced at Press Club Jammu (PCJ), here today.

The players selected from various districts as well as divisional level tournaments are taking part in this event.

Divisional Sports Officer Jammu, Ashok Singh was chief guest on the occasion. He wished good luck to all the participants of the events, which are being held in various categories including both senior men, senior women and under-19 open as well.

Earlier, a players meeting was held under the chairmanship of president of AJKCA, Atul Kumar Gupta and a tournament committee was formed to conduct the event smoothly. FIDE Arbiter Anil Kotwal

was appointed as chief arbiter for this event, while AR Wani, Mushtaq Ahmed Malik and Burhan Wani are arbiters as well as technical experts for the event.

Arshid Ahmad Kolu, secretary AJKCA, Khalid Amin, Baldev Raj, Kuljeet Singh Jammwal, Raj Kumar and Faisal Farooq were present during the event.

All the matches are conducted in the Swiss system by Swiss software as per latest international rules.

Surprise of the event was Mahesh Rustogi, Principal Commissioner GST's performance in the event. Despite his ultra busy schedule he is leading the event jointly with SP Sharma, Soham Kamotra, Sumit Grover, Khalid Amin and Ajit Singh by scoring 2/2 points.

A total of seven rounds will be played in this event and the final will be played on January 5.



Players being introduced by the dignitaries at Ramban during boxing championship.

Ist District Boxing C'ship held

Excelsior Sports Correspondent

RAMBAN, Jan 3: First District Boxing Championship, organised by J&K Amateur Boxing Association under the aegis of Boxing Federation of India, J&K Olympics Association and sponsored by J&K Sports Council, held at Prayas Hemkrish High School Govindpura Maitra, here today.

Pawan Singh, Member of MHRD Govt of India, Skill India State Coordinator was the chief guest, while Renuka Katoch, DDC Ramban-B was the guest of honour, and SK Suman Atri Principal of the School and Gurdeep Singh Chib (BJYM District President) were present during the event.

in juniors boys 48 kg, Ranjeet Singh and Balbir Singh won gold and silver medals respectively, while in 50kg, Ubaid Katoch and Veer Singh secured top two medals respectively and in 60 kg, top three medals were clinched by Zuhair Katoch, Munawar Khan and Yayati Singh respectively, whereas in sub juniors boys 44 kg, top three medals were won by Hritik Singh, Kirtan Singh and Kirten Chib respectively, while in 46 kg, Sourab Badyal won gold, while Andeep Singh clinched silver medal and in 42 kg, silver and gold were secured by Vikrant Singh and Shiv Balwal respectively, besides in 35 kg, Gagan Singh and Aman Singh won gold and silver medals.

in girls junior 52 kg category, the gold and silver medals were won by Sajal Manhas and Reema Devi, while in 48 kg, Samta Devi won gold medal and was declared as best boxer of the tournament, while Sanjeeta Devi secured silver medal.

In sub-junior 48 kg, Tanvi Katoch and Sheetal Devi won top two medals respectively, while in 46 kg, Kajal Devi and Shristi Sharma won gold and silver medals respectively.

Inter-District Youth Festival Aurobindo carried forward legacy of Vivekananda: Guest Speakers

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Jan 3: Guest speakers Dr Mahesh Kaul, Post Doctoral Fellow with the Indian Council of Philosophical Research, Ministry of Education, New Delhi and Madhulika Singh, Senior Assistant Professor, Department of History, JU cast spell on the audience, especially the youth during their impressive lectures on Day-3 of the ongoing Inter-District UT level Youth Festival, being organized by the Directorate of Youth Services and Sports (YS&S) at Zorawar Singh Auditorium, University of Jammu, here.

In their guest lectures, both the dignitaries asserted that Aurobindo Ghosh, Indian Philosopher, Yoga Guru and poet had carried forward the legacy of another Indian monk and Philosopher, Swami Vivekananda and had succeeded in completing almost all his unfinished missions.

While throwing light on the history and mission of Aurobindo, Prof Madhulika said that Aurobindo studied for the Indian Civil Service at King's College, Cambridge, England and after returning to India he took up various civil service works under the Maharaja of the Princely State Baroda and became increasingly involved in nationalist politics in the Indian National Congress and the nascent revolutionary movement in Bengal with the Anushilan Samiti.

"He joined the Indian movement for Independence from British Colonial rule, until 1910 was one of its influential leaders and then became a spiritual reformer, introducing his visions on human progress and spiritual evolution," added Madhulika.

Dr Mahesh said that Aurobindo was arrested in the aftermath of a number of bombings linked to his organisation in a public trial where he faced charges of treason for Alipore Conspiracy, adding, however, he could only be convicted and imprisoned for writing articles



Guest speakers Prof Madhulika and Dr Mahesh Kaul receiving mementoes from Director Sports Gazanfar Ali at Jammu University on Monday.

against British Colonial rule in India.

"During his stay in the jail, he had mystical and spiritual experiences, after which he moved to Pondicherry, leaving politics for spiritual work," Dr Mahesh added.

Meanwhile, young artists drawn from various districts of twin divisions of J&K displayed extraordinary cultural and artistic skills today on Day-3 of the six-day long event to vie for the top honours and get the nod of the

adjudicators for their selection in the National Youth Festival, being held at Puducherry from January 12 to 16.

The Director also honoured both the guest speakers with mementoes as a token of gratitude from the organizers.

Prominent persons including Bashir Ahmed, Joint Director (K), Jatinder Mishra, Deputy Director Jammu and DYSSOs from various districts were present during the event.

Dir Inf honours Gagan Singh Jamwal

Excelsior Sports Correspondent

JAMMU, Jan 3: Director Information and Public Relations, Rahul Pandey, today felicitated Gagan Singh Jamwal, departments' employee, for clinching gold medal in the 59th National Roller Skating Championship held at Mohali, Chandigarh.

Pandey termed the victory of Gagan and his team as a proud moment for the JK UT and DIPR as well. He complimented and wished him a great future ahead with many more medals.

Deputy Director Information (Central) Subash Dogra, Deputy Director Information (PR) Mridhu Slathia, Deputy Director ((AV) Chander Parkash Kotwal



Director Information Rahul Pandey handing over trophy to Gagan Singh Jamwal at Jammu on Monday.

and Administrative Officer, Anil Kumar Mehta also congratulated Gagan Singh Jamwal and his team members for bringing gold medal for the UT.

Sat Sharma inaugurates New Year Million Cup

Excelsior Sports Correspondent

JAMMU, Jan 3: Former Minister Sat Sharma (CA) inaugurated 'New Year Million Cup' at Country Ground Gharota, here today in order to boost the sports activities amongst the youth across Jammu region.

The three match series is being organized in the memory of late General Bipin Rawat

will definitely indulge more and more youth with them and it is a positive sign that youth today is progressing towards keeping its mind and body fit by taking part in such activities. He also gave a message to youth to stay away from drugs and enjoy sports and games.

YK Sports Club won the toss and elected to bowl first. Batting first, Jammu Strikers CC scored



Former Minister Sat Sharma interacting with players at Country Ground Gharota in Jammu.

between Jammu Strikers CC and YK Sports Club Thathri. The inaugural match was won by Jammu Strikers CC. BJP Kissan Morcha leader Sunil Dutt (Raka) also accompanied the BJP leader during the inaugural ceremony.

Speaking on the occasion, Sat Sharma said that it is indeed a great initiative which has been taken by the youngsters of organizing a cricket tournament which

192 (all out) in 34.3 overs. In reply, YK Sports Club bundled out 146 runs in 32.3 overs. Romit Singh was declared as man of the match who scalped 4 wickets. Bhanu from Jammu Strikers CC scored 83 runs and Vansh Kadyal made 37 runs.

From YKSC, Omar Khan scored 45 runs and Aqib Khan made 25 runs. Omar Khan also took 3 wickets and Aqib Khan and Shaqib got 2 wickets each.

North Zone Rollball C'ship from Jan 9

Excelsior Sports Correspondent

JAMMU, Jan 3: The Rollball Association of J&K under the aegis of J&K Sports Council is going to hold 1st Senior (Both Men and Women) North Zone Rollball Championship at MA Stadium Skating Rink, here from January 9 to 10.

Six State teams are likely to participate in the championship. It is the 1st time that Rollball Association of Jammu & Kashmir is going to hold any

Inter-State Championship in Jammu.

The Jammu & Kashmir team which is one of the top most teams of India will be selected on 5th January, 2022 after completion of a selection camp of 15 days, being conducted by the Association concerned.



Chandan Sharma, S/o Mohinder Kumar Sharma and Rajani Sharma, who has been declared qualified for the award of Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) in Chemistry by University of Jammu. He worked on the topic, "Development of Heterogeneous transition metal catalysts based on nitrogen modified supports and their applications in organic synthesis," under the supervision of Prof. Satya Paul.

Corrigendum

Apropos to the news items, title "Soham Kamotra wins Mayor Cup Chess C'ship", published in January 3 edition of this paper, it is clarified that the 3rd winner of the event is Mayank Kulkarni and he won the cash prize of Rs 3000 along with trophy, instead of Arvind. The error is regretted.

UNION TERRITORY OF JAMMU & KASHMIR

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER

JAMMU DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY DIVISION NO.II, JAMMU

FRESH SHORT TERMS NOTICE INVITING TENDERS

e-NIT No. JDA/II/e-NIT/2021-22/39 Dated 30-12-2021

Executive Engineer JDA Division No.II for and on behalf of the Vice Chairman, Jammu Development authority, Jammu e-tenders are invited on item rate basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with Union Territory of J&K, CPWD, Railways and other State/Central Governments, for the following works :-

S. No	Name of Work	Name of Division	Estimated Cost (₹ in lacs)	Cost of document (₹)	Earnest Money (₹)	Time Allowed for completion	Time and date of opening of tender	Class of Contract or
1	Barbed wire fencing of JDA land under the jurisdiction of JDA Sub Division No. II of JDA Division No. II	JDA Division No.II	27.30	1500	Bid security declaration form	12 Months	(1400 Hrs) on or after 06-01-2022	A & B

Position of AAA :- Accorded vide No.SE/JDA/2021/709-12 dated 20-11-2021
Position of Funds :- Demanded
Technical Sanction:- JDA/II/112 dated 23-11-2021

The Bidding documents Consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Drawings, bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from the departmental website <http://jktenders.gov.in> as per below schedule :

1	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	30-12-2021
2	Period of downloading of bidding documents	From 30-12-2021 from 1000 Hrs to 16-12-2021, 1200 Hrs
3	Date, Time and place of pre-bid meeting	Nil
4	Bid submission Start Date	30-12-2021 from 1000 Hrs
5	Bid Submission End Date	06-01-2022 up to 1200 Hrs
6	Date & time of opening of Technical Bids (Online)	06-01-2022 on or after 1400 Hrs in the Office of Executive Engineer JDA Division No.II
7	Date & time of opening of Financial Bids (Online)	To be notified after technical bid evaluation is completed

- Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document in shape of Bank Receipt as per annexure -"A" favoring Vice Chairman, JDA Jammu uploading a copy of bank receipt. Bid Security Declaration as mentioned in the bid documents. The original instruments in respect of cost of documents, Bid Security Declaration on the notarized affidavit and relevant documents of LI be submitted to the Executive Engineer JDA Division No. II, Ware House, Jammu at the time of award of contract.

2. Bidders can resubmit/withdraw the bids as specified.

3. The date and time of opening of Financial-Bids shall be notified on Web Site www.jktenders.gov.in and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The Financial-bids of Responsive bidders shall be opened online in the Executive Engineer JDA Division No.II Ware House, Jammu. The date for same shall be intimated separately.

Sd/-

(Er. Ram Lal)

Executive Engineer
JDA Division No II
Jammu

DIP/J-5375-P
Dt: 03-01-2022

UNION TERRITORY OF JAMMU & KASHMIR OFFICE THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PWD (R&B) CONST. DIVN. NO. II, JAMMU SHORT NOTICE INVITING TENDER Short e-NIT No. 196/2021-2022/Div-II Dated 29-12-2021

For and on behalf of the Lieutenant Governor, Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir e-tenders are invited on percentage basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with Union Territory of J&K, CPWD, Railways, MES and other State/Central Governments for each of the following works :-

S. No	Name of Work	Name of Division	Advertised Cost (₹. in lacs)	Cost of document (₹)	Earnest Money	Time Allowed for completion	Time and date of opening of tender	Class of Contractor
1	Beautification of area near Main Entrance of Ayurvedic Hospital towards adjacent to SMGS Hospital at Govt. Ayurvedic Hospital, Jammu. (3rd Call)	PWD (R&B) Const. Divn. No. II Jammu	8.26	600	Bid security declaration on notarized affidavit	01 month	(1300 Hrs) on or after 06-01-2022	A, B, C & D
2	Construction of road (Thathar) Jammu by way of providing and laying WBM Gr-II & Premix carpet. (PART - B) (under Capex) (6th Call)	PWD (R&B) Const. Divn. No. II Jammu	5.92	600	Bid security declaration on notarized affidavit	01 month	(1300 Hrs) on or after 06-01-2022	A, B, C, & D
3	Construction of footpath in front of CPO at Office Jammu	PWD (R&B) Const. Divn. No. II Jammu	4.62	600	Bid security declaration on notarized affidavit	01 month	(1300 Hrs) on or after 06-01-2022	A, B, C & D

Position of AAA - Accorded
Technical Sanction - Under Process

The Bidding documents Consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Drawings, bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from the departmental website <http://jktenders.gov.in> as per below schedule :

1	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	29-12-2021
2	Period of downloading of bidding documents	From 30-12-2021 to 05-01-2022 upto 1800 Hrs
3	Date, Time and place of pre-bid meeting	-
4	Bid submission Start Date	30-12-2021
5	Bid Submission End Date	05-01-2022 up to 1800 Hrs
6	Date & time of opening of Technical Bids (Online)	06-01-2022 on or after 1300 Hrs in the Office of Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Const. Divn. No. II Jammu
7	Date & time of opening of Financial Bids (Online)	To be notified after technical bid evaluation is completed

DIP/J-11397/21
Dated :- 3-1-2022

Sd/-

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