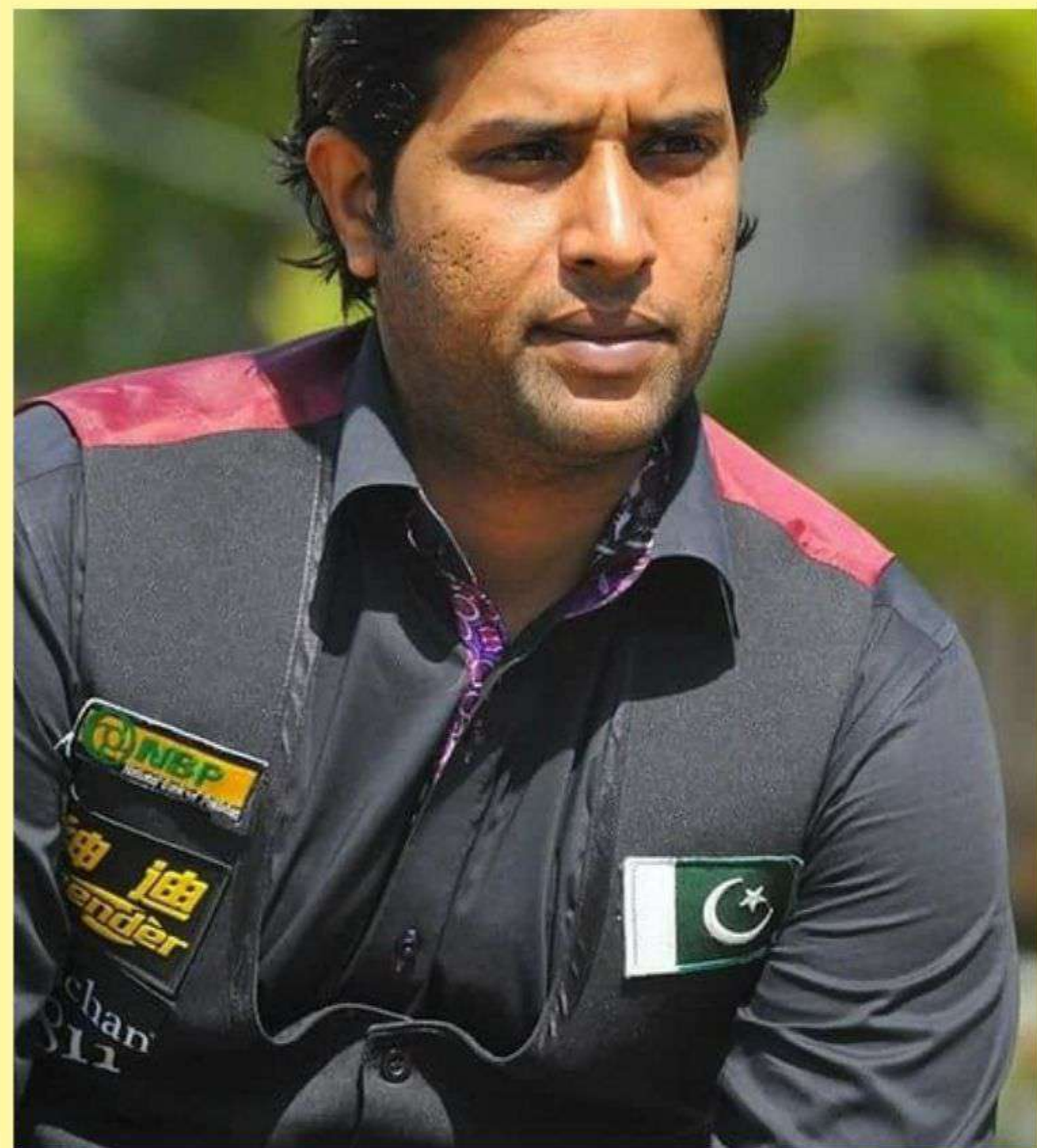


Pakistan U-23 Football Camp for AFC Asian Cup Qualifiers to Begin in Abbottabad on August 16

ABBOTTABAD (News Desk) – The training camp for the AFC Under-23 Asian Cup 2026 qualifiers will commence in Abbottabad on August 16. The football team's head coach, Nolberto Solano, will arrive in Pakistan on August 15 and will oversee the camp starting from August 16. According to the announcement, shortlisted players will participate in the camp. During this period, the final team will be announced based on performance.

Pakistan's Muhammad Asif Reaches Quarterfinals of World Games Snooker



KARACHI (News Desk) – Pakistan's Muhammad Asif has advanced to the quarterfinals of the World Games Snooker. China's Liang Zialong lost his second match in Group B, suffering defeats to both Muhammad Asif and Germany's Alexander Uda. With losses in both group matches, the Chinese player is now out of the race for the quarterfinals. From Group B, Muhammad Asif and Germany's Uda have secured spots among the top 8 players in the World Games Snooker. Muhammad Asif will play his final group match against Alexander Uda tomorrow. From each group of three players, the top two will qualify for the quarterfinals.

Pakistan Remembers Legendary 'Little Master' Hanif Mohammad on His 9th Death Anniversary

LAHORE (News Desk) – Nine years have passed since the legendary figure of Pakistan cricket, "Little Master" Hanif Mohammad, left the world. The former captain set numerous records and achieved many accolades, with his name also inscribed in the ICC Hall of Fame. Hanif Mohammad was the first Pakistani to score a triple century and was honored with the Presidential Pride of Performance Award. Born on December 21, 1934, in Junagadh, undivided India, Hanif Mohammad's brothers — Wazir Mohammad, Raees Mohammad, Mushtaq Mohammad, and Sadiq Mohammad — also represented Pakistan in Test cricket. Their mother, Ameer Bibi, was deeply interested in sports and was once the women's badminton champion of undivided India. Making his Test debut against India in 1952, Hanif Mohammad scored 3,915 runs in 97 innings of 55 Test matches, which included 12 centuries and 15 fifties. In Test cricket, he struck only two sixes and also took one wicket. In January 1958, during the Bridgetown Test against the West Indies, he played a historic innings of 337 runs — Pakistan's first triple century.

West Indies Defeat Pakistan by 5 Wickets in Second ODI, Series Level 1-1



TRINIDAD (News Desk) – In the second One-Day International between Pakistan and the West Indies, the West Indies claimed a 5-wicket victory. Under the Duckworth–Lewis method, the West Indies were set a target of 181 runs in 35 overs. The home side achieved the target with 10 balls to spare. For Pakistan, Mohammad Nawaz and Hasan Ali took 2 wickets each, while Abrar Ahmed managed to claim one wicket. With this win, the three-match series is now leveled at 1-1, with the final match scheduled to be played on Tuesday. Earlier, the second ODI was reduced to 40 overs due to rain. Pakistan's innings was interrupted three times because of rain. During the 37th over, when play was stopped for the third time, Pakistan had scored 171 runs for the loss of 7 wickets. Under the Duckworth–Lewis method, the West Indies were given a target of 181 runs in 35 overs. It should be noted that West Indies' captain won the toss and invited Pakistan to bat first. Pakistan lost their first three wickets for just 64 runs — Saim Ayub scored 23, Babar Azam was dismissed without scoring, and Abdullah Shafique made 26 before returning to the pavilion. The national team suffered its fourth loss when captain Mohammad Rizwan was out LBW after scoring 16, leaving the score at 88. Hussain Talat scored 31, Salman Ali Agha 9, and Mohammad Nawaz 5 before being dismissed. The first rain interruption occurred in the 16th over, and the second in the 34th over. It is worth mentioning that Pakistan had won the first match of the series by 5 wickets to take a 1-0 lead in the three-match contest. In this second ODI, the host West Indies won the toss and opted to field first. Speaking at the toss, the West Indies' captain said they would try to restrict Pakistan to a low score. At the same time, Green Shirts' captain Mohammad Rizwan said that the boys had performed well in the first ODI and that three changes were made to the Pakistan team — Hasan Ali, Mohammad Nawaz, and Mohammad Abrar were included in the playing XI, while Faheem Ashraf, Sufiyan Muqem, and Naseem Shah were left out.

Mohamed Salah Raises Voice Over Killing of Palestinian Footballer Suleiman Obeid



KARACHI (News Desk) – World-renowned Egyptian footballer Mohamed Salah has spoken out regarding the martyrdom of Palestinian footballer Suleiman Obeid. In a statement posted on social media, Salah shared a picture of Obeid and posed questions: Will anyone explain why Palestinian footballer Suleiman Obeid was martyred? Where was he martyred? What was his crime? Known in his team as the "Palestinian Pele," Obeid was among the people waiting for aid in Gaza on Wednesday when Israeli warplanes bombed unarmed Palestinians, resulting in his martyrdom. During its ongoing massacre of

Palestinians, Israel has so far martyred 321 football players. UEFA has also expressed sorrow over Suleiman Obeid's martyrdom and paid tribute to him.

Indian Cricketer Yash Dayal Banned from Playing Amid Rape Allegations



NEW DELHI (News Desk) – Indian cricketer Yash Dayal has been banned over rape allegations. According to Indian media, the fast bowler has been prohibited from participating in the UPT20 League and will not be part of the league's third edition. Reports state that Yash Dayal had a contract with the Gorakhpur Lions, and the league is scheduled to begin on August 17. Dayal was also part of the Royal Challengers Bengaluru, the team that won this year's IPL. Following the woman's allegations, a case has been registered against him, with another case also filed in Jaipur. The Uttar Pradesh Cricket Association has imposed the ban, preventing the Indian cricketer from playing in the league.

Bangladesh Cricket Board Appoints Former ICC ACU Head Alex Marshall as Anti-Corruption Advisor

DHAKA (News Desk) – The Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) has appointed Alex Marshall, former head of the ICC's Anti-Corruption Unit (ACU), as an advisor to oversee its ACU operations for the next year. The decision came after a nearly six-hour-long meeting at the Sher-e-Bangla National Cricket Stadium, during which several other key issues were discussed. BCB Media Committee Chairman Iftikhar Rahman said the move was made to strengthen anti-corruption activities, adding, "We believe our ACU needs to be more vigilant and better trained. We have been receiving numerous complaints related to corruption, so Marshall will oversee our ACU for the next year." Rahman confirmed that the ICC Integrity Unit will also monitor the upcoming Bangladesh Premier League (BPL). The tournament has faced reputation damage in recent years due to match-fixing controversies, prompting the BCB to form an independent investigation committee to probe allegations from the last edition. Other decisions included the appointment of Tony Hemming as Head of Turf Management for two years, the replacement of Dhaka Metro in the National Cricket League's (NCL) four-day format with the newly formed Mymensingh Division, and the dissolution of the board's previous regional committee structure to create a new system. BCB also confirmed legal action against all former defaulters, including franchises and sponsors, to recover outstanding payments from last year. Contracts were extended for sports physiologist David Scott, and a three-month deal was approved for power-hitting coach Julian Wood. However, the event management company for the next BPL season is yet to be finalized, with five firms currently under consideration.

Sourav Ganguly Names India as Clear Favorites for Asia Cup 2025

New Delhi (News Desk) – Former Indian captain Sourav Ganguly has labeled India as the clear favorites for the upcoming T20 Asia Cup, set to take place in the United Arab Emirates from September 9 to 28. In an interview with Indian media, Ganguly expressed confidence that the Indian team would be an unbeaten force in the tournament. He noted that the side, currently on a break after the IPL and a demanding five-match Test series, is exceptionally strong in both red-ball and white-ball formats. "On the good pitches in Dubai, it will be very difficult to beat India," Ganguly stated. When asked about rumors of Virat Kohli and Rohit Sharma's retirement from One-Day Internationals, Ganguly said he had no knowledge of such plans but stressed that performance should be the deciding factor. "If they are performing well, they should continue. Kohli's ODI record is outstanding, and Rohit's is equally remarkable — both have been exceptional in white-ball cricket," he said. The Asia Cup will feature eight teams, divided into two groups. Group A includes Pakistan, India, the United Arab Emirates, and Oman, while Group B comprises Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Hong Kong, and Afghanistan. Pakistan is scheduled to play Oman on September 12 in Dubai, followed by a highly anticipated clash with India on September 14, and their final group-stage match against the UAE on September 17.