

England-India Test Series Equals 70-Year-Old Century Record



London (News Desk): The England-India Test series has equaled a 70-year-old record for the most centuries in a series, with a total of 21 centuries scored. This matches the record set during the 1955 Australia-West Indies series, where the same number of centuries were made. In the recent series, Shubman Gill led the charts with four centuries, followed by Joe Root with three. KL Rahul, Rishabh Pant, Yashasvi Jaiswal, and Harry Brook each scored two centuries. Additionally, Ravindra Jadeja, Washington Sundar, Jamie Smith, Ben Duckett, Ben Stokes, and Ollie Pope contributed with one century apiece, making it one of the most prolific series in Test cricket history.



Joe Root Becomes First to Score 6000 Runs in WTC, Surpasses Sangakkara in Test Centuries



London (News Desk): England's star batter Joe Root has reached a major milestone during the ICC World Test Championship match against India. The 34-year-old became the first player to score 6000 runs in the World Test Championship, achieving the feat in the final match of the five-Test series against India. Root accomplished this in his 69th WTC match and is the only player to have participated in all four WTC cycles. In addition, Root scored his 39th Test century, surpassing Kumar Sangakkara to become the fourth-highest century-maker in Test history. He now holds the second position for most Test runs after Sachin Tendulkar. Root has amassed 13,543 runs in 158 Tests at an average of 57.49, including 39 centuries and 66 fifties. Tendulkar, in comparison, scored 15,921 runs in 200 Tests at an average of 53.78. Among active players, only Australia's Steve Smith comes close with 10,477 Test runs. Apart from Root, no other current player is close to challenging Tendulkar's all-time record.

PM Shehbaz Congratulates National Cricket Team on T20 Series Victory



Islamabad (News Desk): Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif congratulated the national cricket team on winning the T20 series against the West Indies. According to a statement issued by the Prime Minister's House, Shehbaz Sharif also extended his felicitations to PCB Chairman Mohsin Naqvi and the team management on the victory. The Prime Minister emphasized that teamwork and dedication are the keys to success. He expressed hope that the team would continue to work hard with focus and prepare for the upcoming matches, ensuring the continuation of this winning streak.

PCB Chairman Hails National Team's Spirit in T20 Series Win

Lahore (News Desk): Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) Chairman Mohsin Naqvi congratulated the national cricket team on winning the T20 series against the West Indies, calling the success a result of exceptional teamwork and determination. In a message shared on social media platform X (formerly Twitter), Mohsin Naqvi praised the team's outstanding performance on the international stage, stating that the players have made the nation proud. He expressed hope that the team would maintain its winning momentum. Naqvi highlighted the display of remarkable team spirit, commitment, and passion during the series, and encouraged the players to continue striving forward with the same dedication.



Agha Salman Eyes World Cup Glory, Praises Team's Strategy and Performance



Lauderhill (News Desk): Pakistan T20 captain Agha Salman has expressed his strong focus on winning the upcoming World Cup, stating that all recent and upcoming series are being played with the tournament in mind. Speaking to media in Lauderhill, Florida, Salman said that conditions in Dubai are different, but playing in current varied conditions will prove beneficial once they move to Dubai. He highlighted that the series against Bangladesh, the ongoing one against West Indies, the upcoming tri-nation series, and the Asia Cup are all part of strategic preparation for the World Cup. Discussing team tactics, he said he had considered bowling himself but refrained due to two left-handed batters on the field, with Saim Ayub already bowling from one end. To apply pressure from the other end, he chose to bring in Sufiyan Muqeem. Salman praised Saim Ayub's bowling efforts in the series and confirmed that fans would see him bowl in upcoming matches. Reflecting on the pitch, he said today's conditions were better than the first two matches, and with a target of 160 or 170 in mind, the team performed strongly. Openers provided a solid start, allowing the score to reach 180-190. He added that as the ball aged, it gripped more even on a good pitch, which worked in their favor. He also appreciated the death-over bowling by Haris and Sufiyan and lauded openers Sahibzada Farhan and Saim Ayub for consistently giving a strong start. He expressed hope that both players would continue their excellent performances in future matches.

League Owner Proposes to Presenter Live on Air After Legends Championship Final

London (News Desk): In a surprising and heartwarming moment, the owner of the World Championship of Legends, Harshit Tomar, proposed to presenter Karishma Kotak during the live broadcast at the end of the tournament. Various clips of the incident are circulating on social media platform X. The championship concluded on Saturday with South Africa Champions clinching the title, thanks to a stellar performance by AB de Villiers, while Pakistan Champions faced defeat. As fans enjoyed the exciting performances throughout the match, the unexpected proposal stole the spotlight during the closing moments. During the post-match interview, presenter Karishma Kotak asked Tomar how he planned to celebrate the successful organization of the league.

Road To FIH Hockey World Cup 2026: EuroHockey C'ship Preview

ISLAMABAD (News Desk): The Men's and Women's EuroHockey Championship 2025 will be held in Mönchengladbach, Germany, from August 8 to 17. The tournament will serve as a qualifier for the FIH Hockey World Cup 2026 in Belgium and the Netherlands. Both events will feature eight teams divided into Pool A and Pool B, with the top two teams from each pool advancing to the semi-finals, while the bottom two will compete for classifications and world ranking points. In the women's category, Pool A includes France, Germany, Ireland, and Netherlands; Pool B consists of Belgium, England, Scotland, and Spain. For the men's tournament, Pool A comprises Austria, Belgium, Netherlands, and Spain, while Pool B includes England, France, Germany, and Poland. The men's competition opens on August 8 with England vs Poland and Germany vs France. Pool A matches begin August 9 with Belgium vs Austria and Netherlands vs Spain. Men's pool matches run until August 12, followed by playoffs and medal matches from August 14 to 16. The women's competition kicks off August 9 with Netherlands vs Ireland and Germany vs France; Pool B matches begin August 10 with England vs Scotland and Belgium vs Spain. Women's pool matches will end on August 13, with playoffs and medal matches scheduled from August 15 to 17.

Azadi Cup Tenpin Bowling Championship To Begin Aug 8

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Hamza Khan Finishes As Runner-up In Valencia 2025 PSA Tournament

ISLAMABAD (News Desk): Talented Pakistani squash player Hamza Khan has once again proven his prowess on the court by finishing as the runner-up in the \$15,000 Valencia 2025 PSA Tournament held in Spain. In the final match, Hamza Khan put up a good fight but ultimately lost to World No. 31 Iker Pajares (ESP) with a score of 3-0 (8-11, 5-11, 4-11), said a press release.