

BRILLIANT TON BY ABHINAV SHARMA IN COOCH BEHAR TROPHY



Punjab winning the toss against Chhatisgarh at Dhruv Pandov Stadium Patiala elected to bat. Punjab opened with Arju Verma and Prabh Simran Singh and the duo went on to stitch 122 runs partnership for the first wicket before Arjun Verma was caught by Anand Rao off Utkarsh Tiwari for 33 off 65 ball inclusive of 5 boundaries. Punjab lost their other opener Prabh Simran Singh who was castled by Rohan Taank for his sparkling 92 off 84 balls studded with 14 boundaries and huge sixes. Prabh Simran was unlucky to miss his coveted century by 8 runs. Thereafter Rahul Kashyap (03) and skipper Anmolpreet (15) fell cheaply to reduce Punjab to 144 for 4 in 3 overs. At this stage Abhinav Sharma and wicket keeper Mayank Sidhu got together to stitch a 150 runs partnership for the 6th wicket before Abhinav Sharma was caught by wicket keeper Ved Vyas off Rohan Taank for a brilliant century (131 off 140 balls inclusive of 12 well struck boundaries and soaring sixes. Mayank Sidhu who was batting brilliantly was the 8th batsman out when he was caught by N Dhruv off Utkarsh Tiwari for a well made (80) off 160 balls inclusive of boundaries. At close of play Akul Partap Pandove 3 not out and Resham Sharma 5 not out were together with the team's total reading 389 for 8 in 93 overs. For Chhatisgarh Rohan Taank for 154 and Utkarsh Tiwari 3 for 107 shared the spoils. Tomorrow is the 2nd day of the match.