

Punjab – A Beat Himachal – A by 5 Wickets in One Day Match.

Punjab –A defeated HPCA –A by 5 wickets in a 50 overs match played at I.S. Bindra Stadium PCA Mohali. Winning the toss and opting to bat first Himachal lost their first three wickets for 18 runs in 3.1 overs. Thereafter Ankit Kalsi 33 off 43 balls with 5 boundaries and Nakul Raj put on 69 runs for the 4th wicket before Ankit Kalsi was caught by wicket keeper Gitansh Khera off Manender Singh. Nakul Raj was joined by Shubham Negi and the duo put on 83 runs for the 5th wicket before Shubham Negi was run out by Rajwinder Gollu for 28 for 52 balls inclusive of one boundary. Nakul Raj was the next to go when he was caught by Manender off left arm spinner Varun Khanna for 83 off 109 balls with 8 boundaries. Ritwij Kashyap 37 and Parveen Thakur 22 added 44 runs for the 7th wicket. Himachal A innings ended at 259 for 8 in 50 overs. For Punjab – A Jaskaran Siongh 3 for 45 , Manender Singh 2 for 51, Baltej singh 1 for 44 and Varun Khanna 1 for 38 shared the spoils.

Replying Punjab scored 262 for 5 in 47.1 overs to record a five wicket win. Punjab opened with Sunny Pandey and Pargat Singh and the duo added 93 runs for the first wicket before Pargat Singh was caught by Parveen off Dhariwal for 55 off 50 balls with 7 boundaries and one six. Sunny Pandey left soon after being caught and bowled by Dhariwal for 38. Thereafter, Navneet Virk and Gitansh Khera stitched a 105 runs partnership for the 5th wicket . Navneet Virk hit a blistering century 103 off 80 balls spruced with 13 well hit boundaries and two soaring sixes while Gitansh Khera hit an unbeaten 38 off 39 balls inclusive of two boundaries. For Himachal – A Ankush Dhariwal 2 for 33 , Mandeep Singh 1 for 37, Rajan Rana 1 for 25 and Chirag Yadav 1 for 32 shared the spoils.