

Punjab annexed the 6th All India U-19 Dhruv Pandove Trophy by virtue of their first innings lead against Vidarbha on the 4th day of four day final played at Dhruv Pandove Stadium Patiala. Punjab had scored 368 in the first innings and Vidarbha had made 239 before being bowled out. In the 2nd essay Punjab declared their innings closed at 340 for 3 being helped in their cause by a 302 runs 3rd wicket partnership between Shubman Gill unbeaten (138) off 179 balls with 17 boundaries and skipper Anmolpreet Singh (174) off 191 balls with 17 boundaries and 5 huge sixes. Yash Thakur, Parth Rekde and Amrit Yadav scalped one wicket each. Shubman Gill had earlier scored a century in the first innings. Vidarbha in their 2nd innings were 146 for 8 in 60 overs when the stumps were drawn.

Mr. Sukhbir Singh Thind Principal Govt. Mahindra College Patiala gave away the trophies and cash prizes to the teams. Punjab got the winners trophy and cash prize of Rs. 1.00 lac while Vidarbha got Runners up trophy with cash prize of Rs.50,000/-. For his brilliant centuries in both innings Shubman Gill of Punjab was named man of the match. The best batsman went to Anmolpreet Singh of Punjab who scored 467 runs inclusive of 3 centuries. Best bowler award goes to Parth Rekde of Vidarbha who took 25 wickets. The best all rounder award went to Abhishek Sharma of Punjab who scored 208 runs inclusive of a century and took 21 wickets. The best fielder award went jointly to Shubman Gill and Rishab Bhagat. Mr. G.S. Walia Honorary Secretary, PCA exhorted the young cricketers to emulate the feats of late Dhruv Pandove and told them that Under -19 was the way to get into higher echelons of cricket.