

PRESS RELEASE (Day 3)

Ranji Trophy 2021-22

Punjab Vs Haryana, Elite Group F (League Match)

Venue : Arun Jaitley Stadium, New Delhi

Punjab enforces follow-on, Haryana 149/4 in 2nd innings

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On the third day of the Group F league match of Ranji Trophy being played between PUNJAB and HARYANA at Arun Jaitley Stadium, New Delhi, Haryana were made to follow-on by Punjab.

Having scored 444 runs in their first innings and riding on batsmen Mandeep Singh's unbeaten knock of 159 and Anmol Malhotra's 100, Punjab dismissed Haryana for 282 runs on the third day with an excellent performance by bowlers, Siddharth Kaul (3/63), Baltej Singh (4/57) & Arshdeep Singh (3/54). Earlier Haryana started from their overnight score of 204 runs for 3 wickets (57overs). Team lost 7 of their wickets in quick succession and batsmen contributed 78 runs to the scoreboard today. Captain HJ Rana, hit 19 boundaries in his 244-ball knock of 149 runs, but team's lower order battled to give any support. Team Haryana was trailing by 162 runs in the first innings and was again put into bat.

After being enforced follow-on, Haryana could not give a better account of themselves in the second innings too, as they lost wickets regularly. Opener Mayank Shandilya (13 runs of 22 balls) out in 8th over, he was trapped leg before to Arshdeep Singh, followed by the other opener SG Rohilla (19 runs of 25 balls) in the 9th over, he was also trapped leg before to Siddharth Kaul. Skipper Himanshu Rana who anchored the 1st Innings for the team was out in the 21st over, he scored 25 runs of 44 balls and was caught behind by wicket keeper Anmol of delivery by Baltej, Shivam at 17 off 35 balls was the next man to return to pavilion, he was also caught behind by Anmol of a delivery by Sanvir in the 24th over.

Haryana had scored 149 runs after losing their 4 wickets in 40 overs and was still trailing by 13 runs, when the days play ended. Batsmen Nishant Sindhu (34 runs) and Yashu Sharma (32 runs) were at the crease.

Tomorrow is the last day of the match and Punjab will be trying for bonus points as Haryana still need to score 13 runs to avoid innings defeat. Punjab's victory will also depend on how quickly bowlers pick up remaining 6 wickets.

Punjab 1st Innings : 444 runs / All out

Haryana 1st Innings : 282 runs / All out

Haryana 2nd Innings : 149/4 40 Overs (End of 3rd Days Play)