SAXENA PUTS KERALA ON TOP

Scores A Breezy Century (143) As Visitors Take First-Innings Lead Of 144 Against Bengal

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Kolkata: Bengal, who had targeted maximum points from their second home match ahead of a month-long haul on the road, have their backs to the wall in the Ranji Trophy Elite Group B fixture against Kerala. The visitors tightened their grip by taking a handsome 144run first-innings lead and then earned an early breakthrough in Bengal's second innings when Sandeep Warrier sent back Koushik Ghosh in the third over.

When stumps were drawn on Day 2 at the Eden Gardens here on Wednesday, Bengal were five for one in their second innings to be trailing by 139 runs. One man who made the difference between the two teams was Kerala's Jalaj Saxena. He may not be in the national selectors' scheme of things, but the prolific all-rounder is not short on motivation. Opening the innings, Saxena followed up his 133 against Andhra in the last match with a classic 143 (190b, 21x4, 2x6), which was just four runs less than what the entire Bengal team managed in their first innings. Up against a formidable pace attack comprising Ashok Dinda and Mohammad Shami, and on a pitch which sea-



MAN FOR ALL SEASONS: Jalaj Saxena recorded his second century in a row

med throughout the day, Saxena did not just focus on survival, he played his shots and looked to dominate the bowlers. Two sixes off Shami showed his intent.

Bengal made early inroads

when Rohan Prem edged Dinda to wicketkeeper Vivek Singh as he tried to pull a short ball. Shami then trapped Sanju Samson leg before inside the first hour of play

But Ishan Porel let the pres-

SCOREBOARD

Bengal (1st innings): 147 Kerala (1st innings, overnight 35/1): J Saxena

c V Singh b Porel 143, R Prem c V Singh b Dinda 18. S Samson Ibw Shami 0, S Baby c Majumdar b Shami 23, S Nizar c Tiwary b Mukesh Kumar 5, V Jagadeesh Ibw Porel 39, A Chandran not out 32, B Thampi b Porel 4, MD Nidheesh c Tiwary b Porel 4, S Warrier b Dinda 2; Extras (b-6, lb-9, nb-1, w-4): 20: Total (all out in 83 overs): 291; Fall of wickets: 1-1, 2-53, 3-54, 4-109, 5-114, 6-233, 7-252, 8-258, 9-268; Bowling: Dinda 19-3-41-2, Shami 26-3-100-3, Mukesh 14-2-45-1, Porel 18-3-69-4, W Chatterjee 2-0-10-0, A Majumdar 4-0-11-0. Bengal (2nd innings): A Raman batting 0, K Ghosh c Samson b Warrier 1; Extras (lb-4): 4: Total (for 1 wkt in 2.2 overs): 5: Fall of wicket: 1-5; Bowling: Warrier 1.2-1-0-1, Thampi

Bengal seemed to be back in the match when Salman Nizar's mistimed pull off Mukesh Kumar was easily pouched by Manoj Tiwary in the

very next over to leave Kerala on 114 for five. The visitors needed a sensible partnership, and got it through Saxena and Vasudevan Jagadeesh. Jagadeesh, who had opened the innings before, provided Saxena solid support and the duo took Kerala past Bengal's first-innings total of 147 on

the stroke of lunch. Jagadeesh had a 'life' on 25 when Vivek dropped him off Shami in the first over after lunch. Saxena reached his 14th first-class century soon after, off 143 balls. Porel made a good comeback to run through the Kerala lower order. He broke the 119-run sixthwicket stand by trapping Jagadeesh leg before for 39 just before tea and then had Saxena caught behind after the break. "It was difficult batting on a difficult track against a quality seam attack. It was thus a satisfying innings," Saxena said. Former India U-19 pacer

Porel added the scalps of Ba $sil Thampi \, and \, MD \, \bar{N} idheesh$ in a fine seven-over spell of 4/ 17 to ultimately finish with four for 69. Shami, who exceeded his 15-17 over limit fixed by the BCCI for this match, claimed three for 100 in 26 overs across six spells. He ended up

sending down the most overs

by a Bengal bowler.

Shami willingly 'overshoots' limit

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Kolkata: With the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) monitoring his workload before the Test series in Australia, Mohammad Shami did not feature in Bengal's first two Ranji Trophy matches. But on Cricket Association of Bengal's request, the BCCI allowed him to play the ongoing match against Kerala on the condition that he will not bowl more than 15-17 overs per in-

The Bengal team management readily agreed, but Shami actually ended up delivering 26 overs in Kerala's first innings on the second day of the Elite Group B fixture on Wednesday. The India pacer, who opened the bowling with Ashok Dinda on Monday evening, bowled six spells — including two of seven overs each and one of five overs — in all to finish with three for 100.

As it turns out, Shami bowled those extra overs willfully.

Bengal coach Sairaj Bahutule said at the end of the day's play that it was not the team management's decision to 'overbowl' Shami, "He (Shami) himself wanted to bowl. He was in good rhythm and wanted to keep bowling," Bahutule explained.

The pacer said just as much

Dipa Karmakar

od performances.

B Aruna Reddy, Ashish Ku-

mar and Rakesh Patra, will

look to make it count with go-

at the Rio Olympics, will be

India's best bet in the tourna-

ment after clinching the gold

at the Artistic Gymnastics

World Challenge Cup at Mer-

sin, Turkey in July this year.

nachal Pradesh endured a

poor comeback from injury

in the Jakarta Asian Games

where she had to pull out

midway after her knee pro-

blem flared up again, Aruna.

on the other hand, won a

bronze medal in one of the

earlier world cups this year

in the women's vault event in

Melbourne and she too will

Among the men, Ashish

fancy her chances.

The 25-year-old from Aru-

Dipa, who finished fourth



Shami bowled 26 overs to take three Kerala wickets

while leaving the Eden Gardens. "I was feeling nice today, having no problem. The weather was fine and the pitch was lively, so I kept bowling on my own," he stated.

"See, I feel the more overs I bowl here, the more match-ready I will be. Rather than practising elsewhere, it's nice to bowl your heart out for your own state. I have not bowled for long, hence I will get my rhythm back by bowling more overs in a match," he said.

Bahutule indicated Shami will bowl 'extra' overs in Kerala's second innings too, if requi-

"There was a grace of some overs for him. If needed, he will bowl more overs in the second innings too. But it's completely up to him," the coach said.

The Bengal team management will mention 'willingness on part of the bowler' in its daily report which the BCCI has asked them to file on Shami's workload in this match.

Lahiri, Bhullar fly the Indian flag at World Cup

to a formidable partnership when they battle for their country's honour at the ISPS Handa Melbourne World Cup of Golf on Thursday.Bhullar and Lahiri

Lahiri and Gaganjeet Bhullar will be their individual achievements throughlooking to turn their friendly rivalry in- out the years. Their successes also served as a motivation for each other to reach greater heights in their careers.

Having known each other since they were 11 years old, the Indian pair is confi-

Melbourne: Indian hotshots Anirban have been spurring each other on with dent they can produce the right chemistry and combine effectively for a great showing at The Metropolitan Golf Club.Lahiri and Bhullar are part of the six two-man Asian teams in the 56-man field hoping to hoist the famous trophy at the US\$7 million event. AGENCIES

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sure slip by conceding 30 runs

in his four-over spell as Saxena

reached his 50 off 75 balls. Sha-

mi sent back Sachin Baby in

his second spell, having the Ke-

rala skipper caught at second

slip by Anushtup Majumdar.

BHARAT DYNAMICS LIMITED MINISTRY OF DEFENCE GACHIBOWLI, HYDERABAD-500 032 Ref : BDL/CC/OT/GT/020/2018-19 Dt: 22-11-2018 e-PROCUREMENT ABRIDGED TENDER NOTICE <u>Inviting Indigenous Competitive Bidding</u> Tender ID **Estimated Amount ₹** Description Construction of Engineered Building Including 904.13 Allied Services for Stores Kanchanbagh Hyderabad

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E-TENDER CORRIGENDUM-4

The last date of submission of the E-Tender for "Supply Erection & Testing and Commissioning of 160 MVA 220/132 KV Transformer and its associated 220 KV and 132 KV Bays at 400 KV S/s Kashipur" against Tender Specification no. PTCUL/E-Tender/C&P-II/SS-19/2018-19 is hereby extended upto 03.12.2018 13:00 Hrs. For more details please visit the e-tender website www.uktenders.gov.in (tender id no. 2018_PTCU4_13155_1) and for corrigendum notice our website www.ptcul.org. All other terms and conditions shall remain same For any assistance on E-Tendering, please contact +91-8899890000 Letter 1171 (HQPU) PTCUL/A-2 Superintending Engineer Date: 20.11.2018 (C&P-II)

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Bengaluru - 560 027 Phone : 080-22230060 No. CEG/2018-19/IND210/CALL-2 SHORT TERM RE-TENDER NOTIFICATION

"Supply of Digital Signature Certificates Class-II and / Encryption Certificates Class-II with two years (2) Validity to Centre for e-Governance (CeG)"

Bids are invited for the above tender. Details of the tenders are available at e-procurement platform https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in Tenders are to be submitted electronically at https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in Bidders are requested to adhere to the time schedule prescribed Sd/- Chief Executive Officer in the tender Centre for e-Governance

DIPR/DDU/1467/2018-19

WEST CENTRAL RAILWAY					
E-TENDERING NOTICE NO. 14, DATE-15.11.20					
Dy. CE (TM), WCR, BPL acting for and on behalf of the Preside					
invites E-Tender for supply of following items. Tender det					
documents are uploaded on IREPS on date 13.11.2018. For mor					

nt of India tails and re details visit www.ireps.gov.in. Any corrigendum, if required will be uploaded on website 10 days before closing date of bidding. Details are also displayed on notice board of Dy. CE (TM) BPL office, till the date of closing of instan tender. All the bidders must see the website before bidding.

S.N	Name of Work	Tender No.	Estt. Cost of Tender	Earnest Money	
1	Wear resistance tamping tools required for UNI-4S-	WCRBPLTM18S167 Dated:-13.11.2018	₹216468/-	₹4400/-	
		As per annexure	. Make: Pla	asser or	
2	NT Rubber pad required for ATRT machine working	WCRBPLTM18S174 Dated:-13.11.2018	₹248508/-	₹5000/-	
Ш	in WCR. Part no. D23002002.0.01. Make: Phooltas or Equivalent.				
3	Wheel cylinder required for T-28 machines working in	WCRBPLTM18S173 Dated:-13.11.2018	₹230580/-	₹4700/-	
Ш	WCR. Part no. 0016057. Ma	ike: Ameca or equivalent.			
4	Container required for track machine working in WCR.	WCRBPLTM18S176 Dated:-13.11.2018	₹218400/-	₹4400/-	
	Part no. 90356. Make: Plass	er or Equivalent.			
5	Seal set required for hydraulic cylinder of ATRT	WCRBPLTM18S177 Dated:-13.11.2018	₹186360/-	₹3800/-	
	co or Equiva	lent.			
6	Shaft and gear required for BRM (Kershaw) machines	WCRBPLTM18S178 Dated:-13.11.2018	₹216152/-	₹4400/-	
	working in WCR. Part no. Equivalent	As per annexure	. Make: Kei	rshaw or	
Note: Cost of tender form: For no. 1 2 3 4 5 & 6-Exempted, Delivery					

Note: Cost of tender form: For no. 1,2,3,4,5 & 6-Exempted. Delivery Completion period: For no. 1,2,3,4,5,6 45 days. Date of Opening: For No. 1,3,6-18.12.2018, For No.: 2,4,5-17.12.2018.

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No. R&M/ODY Equipments/PSDF2/2051A

All other terms & conditions remain unaltered.

CORRIGENDUM-I

Ref: Our Office Bid Notification No. CEED/EE8/R&M/ODY Equipments/1539 Date: 17.09.2018 for Supply, Erection, Testing & Commissioning of various Switchyard equipment's required for KPCL Hydro Electric Projects under PSDF-2 published in this daily on 21.09.2018. 2) E-portal Indent No. KPCL/2018-19/EL/WORK_INDENT 7713 dated 17.09.2018. Last date for receipt of completed bids (Cover-I & II) is extended upto 30.11.2018 (14.00 Hrs.) and date of opening of Cover-I is extended upto 03.12.2018 (15.00 Hrs.). The details of Corrigendum-I can be seen on KPCL website: www.karnatakapower.com And also at https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in under login for Contractors. Further details can be had from the Chief Engineer (Electrical Designs). KPCL, 22/23, Sudarshan Complex, III Floor, Sheshadri Road, Bengaluru-560009. Tel: 080-22202950-54/22202654, Fax: 080-22202916, E-mail: eced@karnatakapower.com

(Two Cover System) (Through e-procurement portal only)

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सर्वसंबंधितों को लोक सुनवाई

भारत सरकार पर्यावरण एवं वन मंत्रालय की पर्यावरण प्रभाव आंकलन (ई.आई.ए.) अधिसूचना क्रमांक एस.ओ. 1533 दिनांक 14.09.2006 यथा संशोधित 01.12.2009 के प्रावधानानुसार के सर्वसंबंधितों को सुचित किया जाता है कि मेसर्स गोंड बृहद सिंचाई परियोजना ग्राम जलपानी के पास तहसील सरई जिला-सीधी की पर्यावर्णीय स्वीकृति की प्राप्ति के संबंध में लोक सुनवाई हेतू म.प्र. प्रदुषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड, भोपाल के समक्ष आवेदन

अतः जिस किसी भी व्यक्ति को उपरोक्त जलाशय के संबंध में पर्यावरण एवं प्रदूषण नियंत्रण संबंधी सुझाव, विचार, टीका, टिप्पणी, आक्षेप एवं आपत्ति प्रस्तुत करना हो तो इस सूचना के प्रकाशन तिथि से 30 दिवस के अंदर क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, म.प्र. प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड, एच.आई.जी. 190-191 नेहरू नगर रीवा (म.प्र.) में प्रस्तत कर सकते हैं। उक्त माइन्स का कार्यकारी सारांश एवं पर्यावरण प्रभाव आंकलन रिपोर्ट (ई.आई.ए.) जन सामान्य के अवलोकनार्थ जिलाध्यक्ष कार्यालय- सीधी (म.प्र.) मुख्य कार्यपालन अधिकारी जिला पंचायत जिला सीधी जिला व्यापार एवं उद्योग केन्द्र- सीधी, मख्य कार्यपालन अधिकारी जनपद पंचायत कसमी जिला सीधी एवं सचिव ग्राम पंचायत भवन-अमरौला तहसील कुसमी, जिला- सीधी (म.प्र.), क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय म.प्र. प्रदृषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड, रीवा तथा क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय पर्यावरण एवं वन मंत्रालय भोपाल में रखे गये हैं एवं मुख्यालय म.प्र. प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड, भोपाल की वेबसाइट www.mppcb.nic.in पर उपलब्ध है।

परियोजना के संबंध में लोक सुनवाई का आयोजन दिनांक 23.12.2018 दिन- रविवार को प्रातः 11.30 बजे से स्थान- प्राथमिक शाला अमराडाडी तहसील कुसमी जिला- सीधी (म.प्र.) में किया जाएगा। इच्छुक नागरिक लोक सुनवाई में सम्मिलित होकर अपने मत लिखित अथवा मौखिक रूप से प्रस्तत कर सकते हैं।

क्षेत्रीय अधिकारी म.प्र. प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड, रीवा (म.प्र.)

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BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE Office of the Executive Engineer, BTM Layout Division, BBMP Complex, 2nd Floor, Laskar Hosur Road, Adugodi, Bengaluru-560030 No.BBMP/EE/BTM/Je/E-PROC/05/2018-19 INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER (IFT)-2nd Call

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No.	Name of the work	of work	(in Rs)
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1.	Comprehensive Development		Rs.11,04,5000/-
	of Bad roads, & Improvements		(Rs.1.00 Lakh shall
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	176 in BTM Division of South Zone,		Bank Guarantee)
	of Package-7(No. of works 10)		
	Package - BTM P7		

1) Tender documents may be downloaded from the e-procurement portal of the Government of Karnataka from: 24-11-2018. 2) Pre-bid meeting will be held in the Office of the Chief Engineer (South), BBMP, 9th Main, 9th Cross, Jayanagar 2nd Block, Bengaluru-560010: 30-11-2018 at 3.00 pm. 3) Tenders must be submitted online through e-procurement portal 10-12-2018 upto 4.00 pm. 4) Technical Bids will be opened in the website 12-12-2018 at 4.30 pm.

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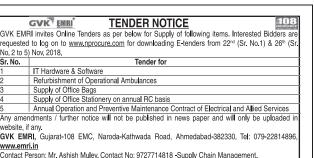
Sd/- Executive Engineer, BTM Layout Division Pay Development Charges, Help to Develop Bengaluru

Dipa eyes Olympic berth with good show

New Delhi: Indian gymnast Germany from Thursday. Dipa Karmakar would be aiming to put behind the injury-marred disaster that was the Asian Games when she the gymnasts will make the aims for a positive start to her Olympic qualification bid with the World Cup of artistic gymnastics in Cottbus, team, which also comprises

The four-day showpiece is part of an eight-event qualifying system under which cut based on the aggregate of their top three scores.

The four-member Indian





E-TENDER CORRIGENDUM-2

The last date of submission of the E-Tender for "Re-alignment & height extension of 132 KV Chilla-Nazibabad line at location no. 33 & 34 for 4-laining/strengthening work of NH-74 (Haridwar- Nagina section)" against Tender Specification no. PTCUL/E-Tender/C&P-II/TL-20/2018-19 is hereby extended upto 30.11.2018 13:00 Hrs. for more details please visit the e-tender website www.uktenders.gov.in (tender id no. 2018_PTCU4_13704_1) and for corrigendum notice our website www.ptcul.org. All other terms and conditions shall remain same For any assistance on E-Tendering, please contact +91-8899890000

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No.NDKSP/1118/CR 160/Procurement/2018

Notice for Requesting Expression of Interest

The Government of Maharashtra has approved Project on Climate Resilient Agriculture (PoCRA) (Nanaji Deshmukh Krushi Sanjivani Prakalp) for selected districts in Maharashtra. The Project management Unit situated at Mumbai calls Expression of Interest proposals for Consultancy Services for Internal Audit and Procurement Review for PoCRa. The proposal of Expression of Interest is to be submitted online through the e-tendering portal www.mahatenders.gov.in only.

The details of Expression of Interest and schedule for submission is available on e-tendering portal www.mahatenders.gov.in

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Project Director

Date: 22.11.2018

निर्माण एवं अनुरक्षण समूह/CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE GROUP ई निविदा नोटिस/e-Tender Notice

समूहप्रधान, सीएमजी, एनआरएससी, बालानगर, हैदराबाद द्वारा निम्नलिखित कार्यों के लिए ऑन–लाइन निविदा आमंत्रित की जाती है । Online tenders are invited by the Gr. Head CMG, NRSC, Balanagar, Hyderabad for the following works

NIT No.	Name of work	Approximate Estimated Cost (Rs.)	Period during which the tender document can be downloaded	Last date for Bid uploading
NRSC/CMG/ NIT/2459/ET/ 34/2018-19 Dt. 20.11.2018	एनआरएससी, शादनगर परिसर में सीआईएसएफ बी-टाईप आवासों (24 संख्या) एवं बैरक के लंबवत विस्तार का निर्माण ।		From 22.11.2018 to 06.12.2018	Up to 16:00 hrs on 10.12.2018
	Construction of CISF B-Type Quarters (24 Nos.) and Vertical Extension to Barracks at NRSC Shadnagar Campus.			

विस्तृत एनआईटी एवं पात्रता मानदंड ईएमडी बोली संबंधित प्रलेख आदि <u>www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO</u> पोर्टल से देखा/डाउनलोड किया जा सकता है । किसी प्रकार के संशोधन, समय विस्तार, स्पष्टीकरण आदि वेबसाइट पर अपलोड किया जाएगा और किसी समाचार पत्रों में प्रकाशित नहीं किया जाएगा । बोलीकर्ता अद्यतन जानकारी हेत् नियमित रूप से वेबसाइट देखें ।

Detailed NIT and eligibility criteria, EMD bidding document etc can be viewed/download from www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO portal. All amendments, time extension, clarifications etc will be uploaded on website and will not be published in newspapers. हस्ता. / Sd/-

Bidders should regularly visit website to keep themselves updated. समृहप्रधान / Group Head निर्माण एवं अनुरक्षण समूह/Construction & Maint. Group has been India's brightest with a bronze in floor exercise at the 2010 Asian Games in Guangzhou, China.

He also won a bronze and silver medal at the 2010 Commonwealth Games in floor exercise and vault respecti-Rakesh also had some de-

cent performances this year, a fourth-place finish in the ring apparatus finals at the Commonwealth Games being the highlight. He also narrowly missed a medal at the Melbourne World Cup in February, finishing fourth. The run-up to the event,

however, has been chaotic with the showdown between the Sports Authority of India (SAI) and the de-recognised Gymnastics Federation of India (GFI) affecting the ath-The bitter war between

the two bodies led to the Indian gymnasts missing the world Championship in Doha last month.In fact, ahead of the Cottbus event, the Sports Authority of India refused to bear the cost of Yogeshwar Singh and Pranati Das, while clearing the other four gymnasts to participate in the tournament. This prompted Pranati and Yogeshwar to express their grievances to SAI in a letter early this month. AGENICES

Swiss oversight body examines Infantino meetings with top prosecutor

Geneva: The oversight body for Swiss federal prosecutors told AFP Wednesday it is examining the propriety of two meetings between the country's Attorney General Michael Lauber and FIFA President Gianni Infantino.

Lauber is responsible for leading Switzerland's sprawling investigation into corruption within world football and questions have been raised about potentially improper contacts between his office and Infantino, who took charge of FIFA in 2016. The head of the oversight body (AS-MPC),

Niklaus Oberholzer, dismissed a report Wednesday in French sports daily L'Equipe that Lauber was under investigation for possible misconduct. "Michael Lauber is not under investiga-

tion," Oberholzer said in an email. "As part of its regular oversight duties, the

(AS-MPC) is seeking clarifications concerning, among other things, two meetings between the attorney general and the FIFA pre-

sident," he said.

The latest series of Football Leaks has shone a light on Infantino's relationship with Lauber's office.

Infantino, himself a Swiss national, allegedly invited prosecutor Rinaldo Arnold to attend the World Cup in Russia, the 2016 FIFA Congress in Mexico and the Champions League final in Milan that year, in exchange for organising

meetings with Lauber.

Switzerland has pursued a number of cases since a raid on a luxury hotel in Zurich in May 2015 led to the arrests of a number of FIFA executives and exposed the corrupt underbelly of world football.

Charges have been pressed against former FIFA president Sepp Blatter as well as against FIFA's former Secretary General Jerome Valcke. AFP