



CABI

Cricket Association  
for the Blind in India

Affiliated to World Blind Cricket Ltd. (WBC)

# 5<sup>TH</sup> ODI WORLD CUP FOR THE BLIND PAKISTAN AND DUBAI-2018



# Blind Cricket Concept



## THE PITCH

All international matches will be played on a surface mutually agreeable to the participating teams. Preferred surface of the WBC is always turf or the synthetic grass surface.

## THE WICKETS

Each wicket shall consist of three tubular stumps made of hollow metal pipes. The colour of the wickets shall be fluorescent orange or yellow.

## BOWLING

Minimum 40% of the overs should be bowled by the B1 players (totally blind).

## SCORING

All runs scored off the bat by a B1 batsman shall be doubled and will be credited to the batsman.

## CAUGHT

A "one bounce" catch by a B1 player will result in the batsman being given out.

## THE FIELDSMAN

No fielder shall dive, or lie down until the batsman has played a stroke or the ball has passed the batsman.

## THE TEAM AND PLAYERS

The match is played between two teams of 11 players each

- Minimum of 4 totally blind players (B1)
- Minimum of 3 partially blind players (B2)
- Maximum of 4 partially sighted players (B3)

## PLAYER IDENTIFICATION

- B1 players either wear a White wrist band or one stripe on the upper arm.
- B2 players either wear a Red wrist band or two stripes on the upper arm.
- B3 players either wear a Blue wrist band or three stripes on the upper arm.

## THE GAME

- Bowling is underarm and the ball has to pitch once before the mid-pitch and also one pitch before the batsman.
- The bowler gives an audio cue before bowling and the batsmen gives an audio cue when he is ready.
- The boundaries are between 45 and 50 yards from the pitch

## THE BALL

The ball that is approved by the World Blind Cricket Ltd. (WBC) shall be used in all international matches. An audio ball made of hard plastic filled with tiny ball bearing is used.

## THE BAT

A regular cricket bat to be used with standard specifications



Cricket for the blind is an absolute obsession and the visually – impaired are no exception. CABI has been promoting blind cricket since 2010 with the objective to use the spirit of cricket to enable the visually-impaired to look at life positively and to gain confidence in their ability to win. Sheer grit and determination are beautifully displayed in a magnificent game where the blind overcome the debilitating challenges of life and channel it through cricket. It is an arena where the visually impaired can prove their mettle and follow their dreams, embrace positivity and enrich their lives and live on their own terms and play cricket.

Cricket for the Blind is a version of Cricket adapted for blind and partially sighted players. This sport has been played since the 1920s. The rules are based on the standard Laws of cricket with some essential modifications. Regarding playing equipment, the major adaption is the ball, which is made of reinforced plastic of the size of a standard cricket ball filled with ball bearings that allow the players to hear it. The audible ball helps the player to sense the direction of the ball and play the game. The stumps are made of hollow steel pipes welded into one set that enables the players to touch it in order to correctly orient him/her when batting or bowling and also to produce a sound when struck by a ball.

Various other modifications to the rules apply. Verbal signals are widely used by both umpires and players in particular; the bowler must shout 'Play!' as he releases the ball. The delivery is required to pitch at least twice when bowled to a batsman where it must not be roll. Totally blind fielders are allowed to take a catch on the bounce.

## Cricket for the Blind

Sports for the blind is a rightful pursuit and it forms a platform for physical and social development. Transforming the most popular game of cricket and making it accessible to people with visual impairment by bringing them onto the field as a part of cricket led to the development of Cricket for the Blind. It is different version of the sport, adapted to suit the constraints of partial and completely visually impaired players. Cricket for the Blind was first introduced by Australia which came to India in 1980.

The primitive form of the Cricket for the Blind in India was played by replacing the ball with an empty tin and stick for a bat. The replacement was to enable the visually impaired to hearing and identifying the location of ball and to hit it accordingly. Players were dependent on audio cues to execute the game. Eventually, audio ball replaced the empty tin and bats for sticks. The audio ball, designed by National Institute for the Visually Handicapped (NIVH), Dehradun, is currently accepted as an international standard ball. Verbal signals are used by players and umpires such as shouting the word 'play' while delivering the ball. The delivery is required to pitch at least twice when bowled to the batsman. Totally blind fielders are allowed to catch the ball on the bounce.

The game garnered support in due course and the first National Tournament took place in 1990. World Blind Cricket Limited (WBC), established in 1996, governs Cricket for the Blind with an objective of promoting and administering the game of Cricket for the Blind globally. The first World Cup for the Blind was organized in 1998.

## Impact of Blind Cricket

Blind Cricket motivates youth who are visually impaired to take a stand and to face the world while achieving their dreams. The game helps the players to gain self confidence in leading independent lives and to help their dependants lead a quality lifestyle. Visually impaired youth who are power packed with numerous talents find this to be a platform for sharing their best practises and encouraging their peers to achieve big in their lives. The blind cricketers have found global presence and recognition in the field of sports. The community around has also been sensitized which has resulted in increased involvement of the community through volunteering with Samarthanam. The Players of the winning team have received great amount of recognition from their respective local communities and also the government. Some of them have been given assurances of jobs in Government.

Hence, the game is treated as a forum for players to experiment with their skills and knowledge in the game and to improve their networking with fellow members. Awareness about the game is increasing as it is being promoted across various horizons of the country.

# About Cricket Association for the Blind in India (CABI)

Cricket Association for the Blind in India (CABI) is the apex body organising and conducting cricket for the blind in India and is affiliated to the World Blind Cricket Ltd (WBC). CABI has been organising Cricket tours and tournaments, and promoting Blind Cricket since 2010. CABI organizes tournaments as District, State, Zonal and National levels. Currently 24 states represent the domestic level games and more than 25000 players are involved in various cricket tournaments across India. CABI was conferred with the responsibility of organizing the First ever T-20 World Cup where the outcome was appreciated by both the public and the media. By promoting the game, CABI believes that the attitude of the society towards the visually impaired youngsters would turn positive and would eventually help them integrate into the mainstream.



- 1922 Australia initiated Blind Cricket
- 1996 Formation of WBC, ACBI
- 1998 First World Cup in New Delhi
- 2002 Second World Cup in Chennai
- 2006 Third World Cup in Pakistan
- 2010 Cricket Association for the Blind (CABI) formed
- 2012 First T20 World Cup in India
- 2014 Fourth ODI World Cup in South Africa
- 2016 T20 Asia Cup in India
- 2017 Second T20 World Cup in India
- 2018 5th ODI World Cup in UAE

## CABI Experience:

CABI, a dedicated sports wing of Samarathanam has taken tremendous responsibilities in executing various activities for the blind players who are keenly interested in achieving their ambitions. The major activity executed by CABI – The 2nd T-20 World Cup Cricket Tournament for the Blind , 28th January-12th February '2017 in Bangalore with 10 international teams participating in the series. CABI has organized a series of events at the State, National and International levels. The list of activities CABI has organized and conducted are as follows:

- In the year 2011 CABI organized the 18th National Cricket Tournament for the Blind in Mysore.
- Corporate cricket Tournament was conducted to motivate blind cricket players to sensitize along with the public.
- The T-20 World Cup for the Blind started from unveiling ball for blind cricket; launching logo for the upcoming tournament; unveiling of Mascot and a lot more.
- Series of Press meets announcing the first ever T-20 World Cup for the blind.
- Organized National Blind Cricket Tournament and National selection trails for selecting the best players in the country.
- Organized Indo-Australian T-20 series in the month of April'2014, in India where the Indian team won the prestigious cup.
- Organizing Zonal / National Cricket Tournaments every year.
- Organizing Zonal Tournaments every year for Blind Children.
- Organized the 2nd T-20 World Cup Cricket Tournament for the blind'2017 in Bangalore. As a result, India lifted the T-20 World cup for the Blind against the defending team Pakistan.

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**BLIND CRICKET**

**ODI WORLD CUP**

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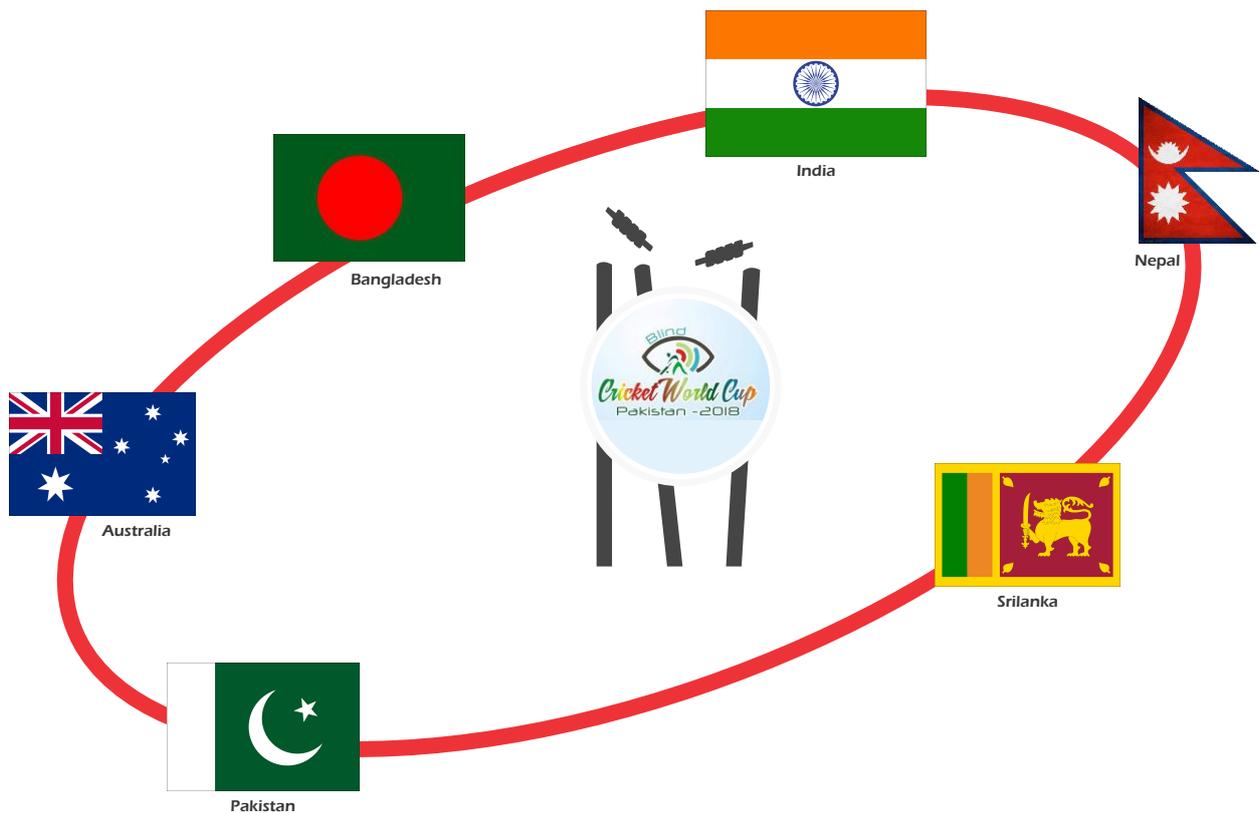
**WORLD CUP**

Pakistan - 2018

## 5th ODI World Cup for the Blind 2018

CABI - Samarthanam is glad to be associated with 5th ODI World Cup for the Blind 2018 organised by Pakistan blind cricket council and Cricket Association for the Blind-Pakistan. India, Australia, Bangladesh, Nepal, Sri Lanka & Pakistan Participated in this 5th ODI World Cup in UAE & Pakistan. This 5th ODI World Cup 2018 was an opportunity for every one to be a part of an emerging internaonal sporging movement that is pioneering in nature also provided the cricketers with a platform to compete at the highest level.

### Participating Nations



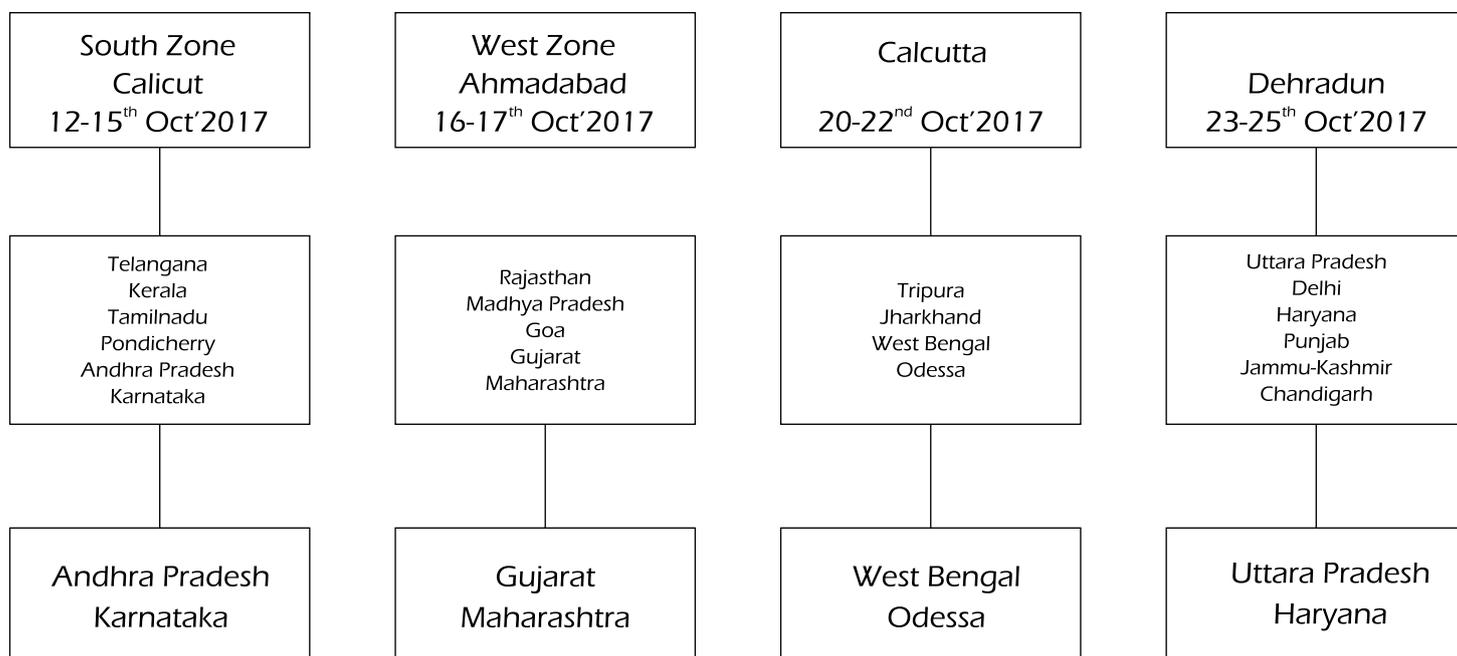
CABI organised Zonal level tournaments in Oct'2017 keeping in view of the 5th ODI World cup 2018. This was a platform for the players to showcase their talent to qualify for the National and International Cricketing events.

**South Zone** – The tournament for South Zone was played in Calicut on 12th to 15th Oct'2017 wherein 6 teams participated. The teams are Telangana, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Pondicherry, Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka. The teams from Andhra Pradesh led by Mr. Ajay Kumar Reddy and from Karnataka led by Mr.Prakash Jayaramaiah qualified from South Zone to play in National Tournament.

**West Zone** - The tournament for West Zone was played in Ahmadabad on 16th and 17th Oct'2017 wherein 5 teams participated. The teams are Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Goa, Gujarat and Maharashtra. The teams from Gujarat led by Mr. Ganesh Muhundkar and from Maharashtra led by Mr.Dilip Munde qualified from West Zone to play in National Tournament.

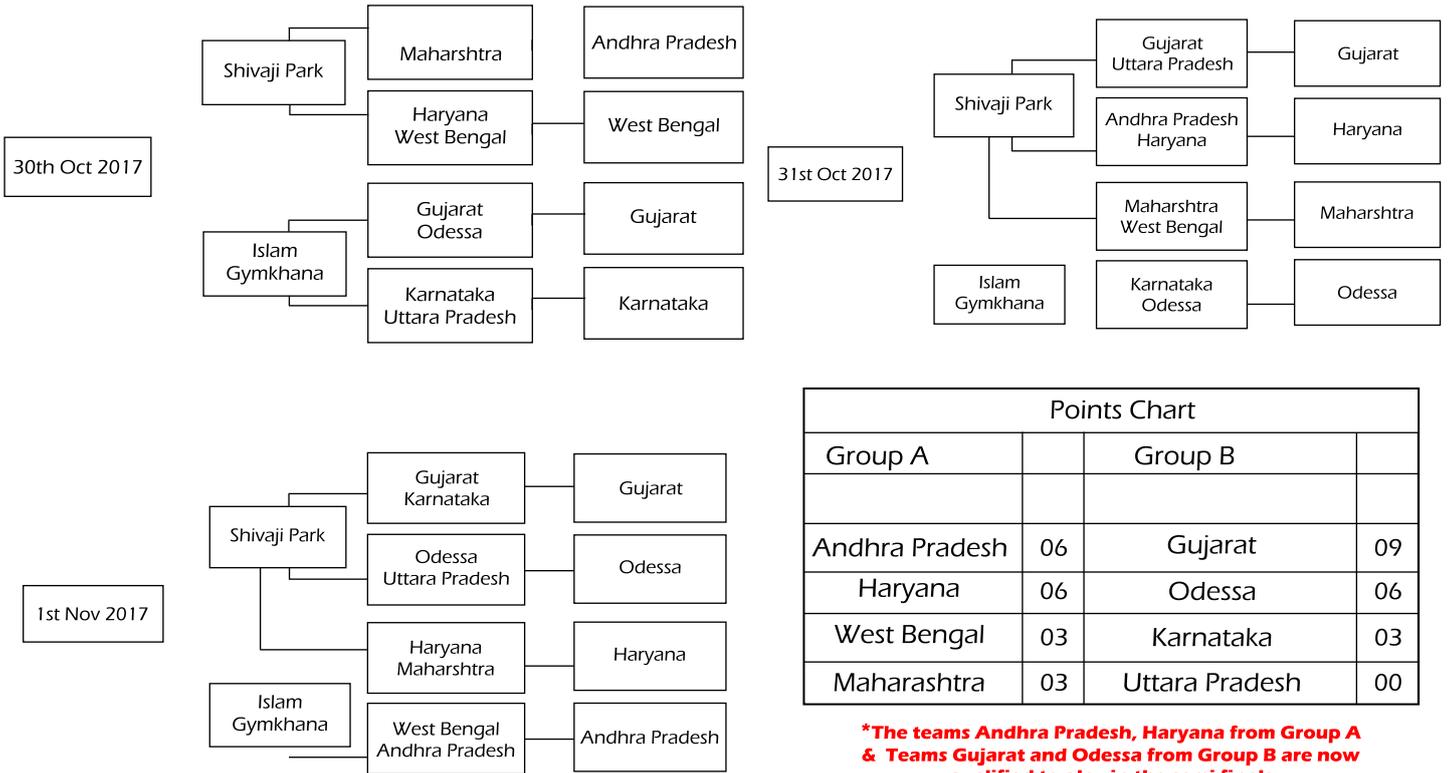
**East Zone** - The tournament for East Zone was played in Calcutta on 20th to 22nd wherein 4 teams participated. The teams are Tripura, Jharkhand, West Bengal and Odessa. The teams from West Bengal led by Mr. Tanumoy Bhowmik and from Odessa led by Mr.Jafar Iqbal qualified from East Zone to play in National Tournament.

**North Zone** - The tournament for North Zone was played in Dehradun from 23rd to 25th wherein 7 teams participated. The teams are UP, Delhi, Punjab, Jammu and Kashmir, Chandigarh, Uttarakand and Haryana. The Team from Himachal Pradesh missed this tournament due to heavy rains. The Team from Haryana led by Mr. Deepak Malik and Team from UP led by Mr.Sanjeev qualified from North Zone.



## Selection Process - National Tournament

Cricket Association for the Blind in India (CABI) and World Blind Cricket (WBC) organized the 24th National Cricket Tournament in association with Cricket Association for the Blind of Maharashtra (CABM). This 24th National Tournament was a platform in selecting the Indian Team for the 5th ODI World Cup at Dubai and Pakistan, which was from 7th to 21st of Jan 2018.



Points Chart			
Group A		Group B	
Andhra Pradesh	06	Gujarat	09
Haryana	06	Odessa	06
West Bengal	03	Karnataka	03
Maharashtra	03	Uttara Pradesh	00

\*The teams Andhra Pradesh, Haryana from Group A & Teams Gujarat and Odessa from Group B are now qualified to play in the semi finals



## Semi Finals

Defending champions Andhra Pradesh has made it to the finals by defeating Odisha by 6 runs. Odisha won the toss and elected to field. Captain Ajay Reddy chased 143 runs of 119 balls with 11 fours and the team had set the target of 257 runs in 34.5 overs. Odisha's Sukham Majhi chased 66 runs with 6 fours in 57 balls. Bowler Tapan Gouda, B1 took 3 wicket in 7 overs by giving 72 runs and Sukham Majhi took 2 wickets in 5.5 overs by giving 32 runs. Earlier Gujarat won against Haryana by 88 runs. Gujarat had set the target of 376 runs in 35 overs losing 4 Wickets

## Finals

Andhra Pradesh defeated Gujarat by seven wickets to clinch the title of the 24th National Cricket Tournament for the Blind. Winning the toss, Andhra Pradesh chose to field and restricted Gujarat to 250 for 9 in their allotted 35 overs. For AP, Durga Rao was pick of the bowlers, returning with impressive figures of 4-28. AP batsman T Krishna scored an unbeaten 103 in 97 balls to take his side home. AP chased the victory target in 31.3 overs losing just three wickets. Andhra Pradesh was richer by Rs 50,000, while Gujarat took home a cash award of Rs 30,000. Both took the winners and runners trophies as well. The valedictory function was graced by former India skipper Ajit Wadekar and Umesh Kulakarni.



## Selection & Training Camps Pune

Total of 56 team players were selected from the Zonal and National Tournaments to be part of the final selection at training camp in Pune. The camp was held between 13th to 15th Nov 2017. From here final 17 players were selected for the one month training camp which was at Bangalore from 5th Dec 2017 onwards.



# Training Camp Bangalore

The Players of the Indian Team assembled at Coaching Camp on 7th Dec'2018. The Camp had the following sessions:

- . Fitness Sessions
- . Food & Nutrition
- . Personality Development sessions
- . Mediation & Yoga Sessions
- . Training sessions with Cricketers
- . Learning Technicalities from Cricket Coachers
- . Team Building Activites
- . Friendly matches with Corporate/Celebrities



Function organized by Bangalore Cricket Guild BCG



Yoga sessions by Shri Prakash Guruji and Shri Raju



Coaching by Mr. Justin Hollingsworth and Mr. Ross Hunter



Water therapy session at HSR Club



Team building activity conducted by Dfrens



Training Session



**Champions eye WC next**

After setting the record for being the only blind team in the world that has won the T20, ODI and Asian championships, the Indian Blind Cricket team is all set for the 5th World Cup to be held in Pakistan and Dubai from January 7. India, Pakistan, Nepal, Bangladesh, Australia and Sri Lanka will be participating in the tourney. While the bat and pitch remain the same for the blind players, the wickets and balls are designed in a different way for their convenience.



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Mr.Syed Kirmani meeting the Crickets at the Coaching Camp

**ಅಂಧರ ವಿಶ್ವಕಪ್ ಕ್ರಿಕೆಟ್ ಟೂರ್ನಿ ಜ.7ರಿಂದ**



**ನಿ ವಿಶ್ವಕಪ್ ಸುದ್ದಿಮನೆ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು**

ಪಾಕಿಸ್ತಾನದಲ್ಲಿ ಇದೇ 7ರಿಂದ 21ವರೆಗೆ ನಡೆಯಲಿರುವ ಅಂಧರ ವಿಶ್ವಕಪ್ ಕ್ರಿಕೆಟ್ ಟೂರ್ನಿಗೆ 17 ಅಖಿಲರಾಜ್ಯದಿಂದ ಭಾರತ ತಂಡವನ್ನು ಪ್ರತಿನಿಧಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಅದರಲ್ಲಿ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕದ ಬಸವ್ ವಡ್ಡೆಗೋಲ್, ಪ್ರಕಾಶ್ ಜಯರಾಮಯ್ಯ, ಸುನಿಲ್ ರಮೇಶ್ ಸ್ಥಾನ ಪಡೆದಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಕವರಗೋ ನಡೆಯುವ ಅಂಧರ ವಿಶ್ವಕಪ್ ಟೂರ್ನಿಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾರತ 2014 ಹಾಗೂ 2017ರಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಶಸ್ತಿ ಜಯಿಸಿತ್ತು. 2012ರಲ್ಲಿ 18-20 ವರ್ಷದ ಗೆಂಡು ಟೂರ್ನಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾರತ ಸೆರಿಯತೆ ಅತಿ ಪ್ರತಿಪಾದಿಸಿ ಪಾಕಿಸ್ತಾನ, ನೇಪಾಳ, ಬಾಂಗ್ಲಾದೇಶ, ಶ್ರೀಲಂಕಾ, ಆಸ್ಟ್ರೇಲಿಯಾ ಮತ್ತು ದಕ್ಷಿಣ ಆಫ್ರಿಕಾ ತಂಡಗಳಿವೆ. ವಿಶ್ವಕಪ್‌ಗಾಗಿ ಭಾರತ ತಂಡ ನಗರದ ಹೊರವಲಯದಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಅಲೂರು ಕ್ರಿಕೆಟ್ ಮೈದಾನದಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾರತ ತಂಡ ಅಭ್ಯಾಸ ನಡೆಸಿತ್ತು. ಅಂಧ್ರ ಪ್ರದೇಶದ ಅಜಯ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ರೆಡ್ಡಿ ಅವರು ಭಾರತ ತಂಡವನ್ನು ಮುನ್ನಡೆಸಲಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ವಿಶ್ವಕಪ್ ಟೂರ್ನಿಗೆ ಅಖಿಲರಾಜ್ಯದ ವಲಯ ಮತ್ತು ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಟೂರ್ನಿಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ನೀಡಿದ ಪ್ರದರ್ಶನವನ್ನು ಆಧಾರವಾಗಿಟ್ಟು ಕೊಡುವ ಅಯ್ತೆ ಮಾಡಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಮುಂಬೈನಲ್ಲಿ ಆಯ್ಕೆಗೊಂಡಿದ್ದ 24ನೇ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಟೂರ್ನಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ದೆಹಲಿ ದೆಹಲಿಯಿಂದ 56 ಅಖಿಲರಾಜ್ಯದ ಅಯ್ತೆಯಾಗಿದ್ದರು. ಪ್ರಕಾಶ್ ಜಯರಾಮಯ್ಯ ಹಾಗೂ ಅಯ್ತೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ವಿವಿಧ ರಾಜ್ಯಗಳಿಂದ ಒಟ್ಟು ಹದಿನೈದು ಮಂದಿ ಅಯ್ತೆಯಾಗಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಅದರಲ್ಲಿ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕದ ಮನೀಷು ಕ್ರಿಕೆಟಿಗರು ಅಯ್ತೆಯಾಗಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಈ ಎಲ್ಲ ಅಖಿಲರಾಜ್ಯದ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಆಯ್ಕೆಗೊಂಡು ತಿರುಳು ಕಲಾಕೃತಿ ಪಡೆಯುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಜನವರಿ 4ಕ್ಕೆ ತೆರಳಲಿ ಮುಕ್ತಾಯಗೊಳ್ಳಲಿದ್ದು, ಐದನೇ ವಿಶ್ವಕಪ್‌ಗಾಗಿ ಭಾರತ ಪಾಕಿಸ್ತಾನಕ್ಕೆ ತೆರಳಲಿದೆ. ಭಾರತ ತಂಡ: ಅಜಯ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ರೆಡ್ಡಿ(ನಾಯಕ), ನರೇಶ್ ಭಾಯ್ ತುಮ್ಮಾ, ಮಹೇಂದರ್ ವೈಷ್ಣವ್, ಸೋನು ಗೋಲ್ವಲ್, ಪ್ರೇಮ್ ಕುಮಾರ್, ಬಸವ್ ವಡ್ಡೆಗೋಲ್, ವಿನಯ್ ಭಾಸ್ಕರ್ ಇಕ್ಬಾಲ್, ಡಿ. ವೆಂಕಟೇಶ್ವರ ರಾವ್, ಗಣೇಶ್ ಭಾಯ್ ಮುಖರ್ದರ್, ಸುರೇಶ್ ಗೌಡಿಯಾ, ಪ್ರಕಾಶ್ ಜಯರಾಮಯ್ಯ, ದೀಪಕ್ ಮರಣಿ, ಸುನೀಲ್ ರಮೇಶ್, ಟಿ. ದುರ್ಗಾ, ವಂಜ್ ಭುವೆ, ರಂಜಿಲ್.

**Three from state in Indian squad for world cup for the blind**

**Men in Blue look to make it five in a row**

**BENGALURU:** Sunil Ramesh lost his vision at the age of four, but that did not deter him from following his dreams of becoming a cricketer. Today, the 19-year-old cricketer is set to represent the country as part of the Indian blind cricket team which will be participating in the 5th One Day International World Cup for the Blind, to be held in Dubai and Pakistan from January 7 to January 21. The event is being organised by the Pakistan Blind Cricket Council and Cricket Association for the Blind, Pakistan. The Cricket Association for the Blind (CABI) that forms an



Members of the Indian squad for the world cup for the blind take part in a practice session.

integral part of The Samarthan Trust for the Disabled is an integral part of the event. Ramesh is one of the 18 players from the country and three players from the state who have been selected by CABI to compete against teams from Bangladesh, Australia, Pakistan, South Africa, Sri Lanka and Nepal. The other two players se-

lected from the state are Prakash Jayaramaiah and Basappa Vadgol. The members of the squad are currently undergoing training as part of a month-long camp happening at Gopalan School Complex, Whitefield in Bengaluru from December 6, 2017 to January 4, 2018. Each team will have four completely blind players (B1), three partially blind players (B2) and four partially sighted players (B3). "The Indian team has won the world cup in the last four editions and we are confident of continuing the winning streak this time too. The players are giving their sweat and blood to the game and the passion is reflected in their excellence," said John David, general secretary of CABI and regional development director (Asia), World Blind Cricket Limited. **DH News Service**



MD. JAFAR IQBAL



BASAPPA VADGOL



NARESHBHAI TUMDA



MAHENDER VAISHNAV



AJAY KUMAR REDDY  
CAPTAIN



D VENKATESWARA RAO



ANILBHAI GARIYA



PRAKASH JAYARAMAIAH  
WK



RAMBIR



SUNIL RAMESH



DEEPAK MALIK



Prem Kumar



Durga Rao



PankajBhue



Ganeshbhai Muhudkar



Sonu Golkar



SurajitGhara

# THE INDIAN SQUAD



The match got cancelled due to Rains in Ajman. Both the teams shared 1 point each.

### 10/01/2018 India vs Srilanka Ajman Oval

India beat Srilanka by 6 wickets Haryana boy, Deepak Malik (B3), remained not out and scored 179 in 103 balls. This helped Indian team to get their first win of this campaign as they beat Srilanka by 6 wickets at the 5th ODI Blind Cricket World Cup. India won the toss and elected to field. Srilanka had set the target of 358 with the loss of 8 wickets in 40 overs. Player Suranga Sampath (B3) chased 68 runs in 60 balls while KA Silva (B1) chased 64 in 46 balls. Dinesh scored 25 runs in 26 balls. At the end of 15 overs Sri Lanka were going along nicely and had reached 121 for the loss of one wicket. India had a good start, thanks to brilliant hundreds by Deepak Malik. He batted 179\* and team chased the target in 32 overs with the loss of 4 wickets.



Skipper Ajay Reddy scored 9 runs, Prakash Jayaramiah (B3) scored 76 in 51 balls. India's Sunil Ramesh (B3) took 3 wickets in 6 overs by giving away 43 runs. Deepak Malik was Man of the Match. Most Valuable Player of the Match was Skipper from Srilanka- Chandana Deshapriya. Brief Score- Sri Lanka 358/8 in 40 overs. India- India 359/4 in 32 overs.

History repeats itself as defending champions India beat Pakistan by 7 wickets in the 5th ODI Blind Cricket World Cup at Ajman Oval C.G, Ajman in Dubai on Friday. Pakistan came into the game riding on back-to-back victories over Bangladesh and Nepal but they were no match for the strong Indian side. This morning India won the toss put Pakistan into bat. Sharp fielding and accurate bowling restricted host Pakistan 282 for 8 Wickets in the stipulated 40 Overs. For Pakistan Md. Jamel and Captain Nissar Ali had partnership of 137 Runs for the 3rd Wicket before Skipper Nissar Ali was bowled by Ajay Reddy for 63 Md. Jaimel 94 not out for India Ajay, Basappa, Sunil Ramesh, Rambir and Deepak took a wicket each. In reply Indian comfortably chased in 34.5 Overs by just losing only 3 Wickets for India Deepak unbeaten 79 of 71 Balls and struck 8 boundaries Venkatesh swift 64 of 55 balls and electrifying 47 of Captain Ajay of 34 Balls, unbeaten 4th Wicket partnership of 106 between Ajay and Deepak. ICC CEO David Richardson witnessed the match and was the chief guest for the Man of the Match Ceremony. Mr. Mahantesh President CABI & WBC felt happy with the boys performance. Deepak Was Declared Man of the Match.



### 13/01/2018 India vs Bangladesh MCC Ajman

Indian Skippers Ajay Reddy's all-round performance continued winning Spree. India beat Bangladesh by 10 wickets at the 5th ODI Blind Cricket World Cup in UAE today. Magnificent Partnership between Skipper Ajay Kumar Reddy & Sunil Ramesh ensured a smooth victory for India and continued on top position on the points table. This morning Bangladesh had won the toss and elected to bat first. They had set a target of 227 in the stipulated 40 Overs by losing 8 wickets. In reply India chased 227 without losing a Wicket in 18.4 Overs. Skipper Ajay Kumar Reddy (B2) remained unbeaten on 101 of 60 balls by hitting 14 fours and Sunil Ramesh (B3) superbly scored 105 of 57 balls by hitting 17 fours.



Skipper Ajay took 4 wickets in 8 overs. Deepak Malik (B3) and Pankaj Bhue (B3) from Orissa took 2 wickets each who bowled 6 & 5 over respectively. Ajay Kumar Reddy was declared the Man of the Match.

## 14/01/2018 India vs Nepal Eden Garden Ajman



Unbeaten India continued their winning streak to clash Bangladesh in the Semi finals. Team India have made their way for the semi finals and play on 17th January at Ajman Ovals UAE against Bangladesh. India beat Nepal in their last league match by 8 wickets this morning. Nepal won the toss and elected to bat. Indian strong bowling attack and brilliant fielding restricted Nepal from posing a challenging target, restricted Nepal for 156 in 37.5 overs for the loss of 9 wickets. For India Prakash Jayaramiah took 2 wickets in 6 overs and gave 22 runs. Ajay Reddy, Rambir, Prem Kumar and Jafar took a Wicket each. India chased the modest target

in just 157 overs by losing 2 wickets. Man of the match Ajay Gariya scored 54 of 29 balls and struck 6 fours and Mehender unbeaten 40 in 30 balls and Rambir unbeaten 38 in 23 balls helped India to cruise comfortably.

## 17/01/2018 India vs Bangladesh Semi Final MCC Ajman

India enters the final of the 5th Blind Cricket One Day World Cup as they beat Bangladesh today by 7 wickets, to play against Pakistan in the finals .Man of the Match Ganeshbhai Muhudkar's century steered India home comfortably, scoring 112 in just 69 balls

A dominant India continued their winning streak today and defeated Bangladesh by 7 wickets at the MCC Ground in Ajman, UAE. Bangladesh had won the toss and elected to bat. They scored 256 all out in 38.5 overs. Defending champions India will take on Pakistan on January 20th at



Sharjha, a place which is known for India Pakistan cricket rivalry. It was not a good start for Bangladesh as they lost 2 early wickets with less than 50 runs on the board.

For Bangladesh, a resilient unbeaten 108 by Abdul Mallik was the highlight. India's strong bowling department restricted them to a modest score as Durga Rao took 3 wickets in 3 overs by giving away only 20 runs. Deepak Mallik and Prakash bagged 2 wickets each. Man of the Match Ganeshbhai Muhudkar's century steered India home comfortably. His breezy knock of played 112 came in just 69 balls. Another star player Deepak Mallik was retired out for 53 of 43 balls. While Naresh made a handy 40 runs in 18 balls. India remained unbeaten throughout this tournament and are considered the favorites' to retain their title. They will now clash with Pakistan, the host on 20th at Sharjha Cricket Stadium. The match starts at 9.30 am. The entry is free. We invite all Indian supporters in UAE to come and cheer for "THE OTHER MEN IN BLUE".

## 19/01/2018 India vs Pakistan Finals Sharjha

Defending Champions Team India beat Pakistan by 2 wickets at the finale of the 5th ODI Blind Cricket World Cup at Sharjha Stadium in UAE

India continued their champion streak at the 5th ODI Blind Cricket World Cup at Sharjha. Team India managed to win close contest in the finals by 2 wickets and 1 over to spare. Fantastic bowling by team India as they managed to restrict them for 307 for 8 in 40 overs. Deepak Malik & Rambir took 2 wickets and Sunil Ramesh took 1. Badar Muni's half century helped Pakistan to set a respectable target. He scored 57 in 61 balls, Risayat Khans 48 in 38 balls and skipper Nisar Ali quick 47 was the highlights of Pakistan batting.

Man of the Match Sunil Ramesh's scintillating 93 runs in 67 balls and Skipper Ajay Reddy's 62 in 60 balls guided India to win. Chasing the score Praskash and Venkatesh opened in grand style and gave a flying start. They managed the scoring rate at 10 per over. Venkatesh scored 35 in 32 balls, while Prakash scored 44 in 42 balls. The game's pendulum was swinging on both the sides but team India managed to keep their calm and never lost hopes.

Mr. G K Mahantesh, President CABI & World Blind Cricket congratulated Team India for playing extremely well in all the matches and including the finals. Team India remained unbeaten through out the world cup. He thanked honorable PM or his tweet, appreciating our boys immediately after the victory. He also appreciated Paksitan's Blind Cricket Board for hosting 5th ODI world cup successfully amidst many challenges. Team India bagged 15000 AED as Prize Amount along with the trophy. For the final, Pakistan's legendary batsman and former International Cricket Council president Zaheer Abbas and former Indian wicketkeeper Syed Kirmani were present and Consulate General Vipul were present among other Dignitaries



## Winning Moments



# Congratulation Messages



**President of India** @rashtrapatibhvn · Jan 20

Congratulations to India team for winning the 'Blind Cricket World Cup'! The team showed exceptional skills, grit & determination. The nation is proud of their achievement #PresidentKovind



**VicePresidentOfIndia** @VPSecretariat · Jan 24

Interacting with the wonderful players of the Indian cricket team who won the 2018 Blind Cricket World Cup and made the country proud with their achievement.



**Narendra Modi** @narendramodi · Jan 20

Congratulations to our cricket team for winning the 2018 Blind Cricket World Cup! They make the nation proud and inspire every Indian with their game as well as phenomenal attitude. True champions!



**Office of RG** ✓ @OfficeOfRG · Jan 20

Congratulations Team India on your historic win at the [#BlindCricketWorldCup](#)  
The nation celebrates with you tonight and takes pride in your achievement.



**Dharmendra Pradhan** ✓ @dpradhanbjp · Jan 20

Hearty congratulations to our cricket team for winning the [#BlindCricketWorldCup](#) 2018. Their grit, passion & attitude is an inspiration for us all. A moment of great pride for India.



**Siddaramaiah** ✓ @siddaramaiah · Jan 20

Congratulations to our champions for winning the [#BlindCricketWorldCup](#)! You have made the entire nation proud.



**Sadhguru** ✓ @SadhguruJV · Jan 20

Congratulations Team India on winning the [#BlindCricketWorldCup](#) 2018. You have become the light for all who despair. –Sg [@blind\\_cricket](#)



**PIB Home Affairs** ✓ @PIBHomeAffairs · Jan 23

India team which won the recent 2018 Blind Cricket World Cup call on the Union Home Minister Shri Rajnath Singh: Press Release



**Naveen Patnaik** ✓ @Naveen\_Odisha · Jan 20

Congratulations to the Champions [#TheOtherMenInBlue](#) on winning [#BlindCricketWorldCup](#) 2018 & retaining the trophy. They keep proving that it takes more than abilities to make the champs. This title is indeed very special. The nation is proud of your achievement



**BCCI** @BCCI · Jan 20

CHAMPIONS #TeamIndia 🇮🇳 🏆 #BlindCricketWorldCup



**VVS Laxman** @VVS\_Laxman281 · Jan 20

Congratulations to each and every member of the Indian team for winning the #BlindCricketWorldCup



**Sachin Tendulkar** @sachin\_rt · Jan 20

Jahan chah wahan raah... As they rightly say, Determination will get you through everything. A big salute to our entire team. Hearty congratulations on winning the #BlindCricketWorldCup. #TeamIndia 🇮🇳



**Harbhajan Turbanator** @harbhajan\_singh · Jan 20

What a win by #TeamIndia. Congratulations on winning #BlindCricketWorldCup

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**Ravi Shastri** @RaviShastriOfc · Jan 20

Fantastic performance boys. That's sheer determination for you. Awesome #BlindCricketWorldCup #India



**Virender Sehwag** @virendersehwag · Jan 20

Congratulations Bhaaiyon. So very proud of you for winning the finals again and beating Pakistan. May you continue to shine and light our hopes. #BlindCricketWorldCup



**Shikhar Dhawan** @SDhawan25 · Jan 20

Extremely happy and proud of the Indian Cricket Team for winning the World Cup! 🥳🥳🥳🥳🥳🥳🥳🥳🥳🥳🥳🥳🏆🏆🏆🏆🏆🏆🏆🏆🏆🏆 #BlindCricketWorldCup



**Suresh Raina** @ImRaina · Jan 20

Extremely happy, proud and most of all.. really inspired! Many congratulations #TeamIndia 🇮🇳 on winning the #BlindCricketWorldCup. #MaukaMauka 🥳



**Rajasthan Royals** @rajasthanroyals · Jan 20

Congratulations to Team India for winning the #BlindCricketWorldCup against Pakistan 😎. The #OtherMenInBlue have made the nation proud once again! 🏆 @blind\_cricket Here's a royal \*drum roll\* to celebrate this moment. #WorldChampions #India 🇮🇳



**Mithali Raj** @M\_Raj03 · Jan 20

Congratulations Team India! Thrilled to know our men in blue are unstoppable! More support, love & attention ought to be paid to this glorious team.



**Doordarshan National** @DDNational · Jan 20

CHAMPIONS 🇮🇳🏆!

#India beat #Pakistan by 2 wickets to win #BlindCricketWorldCup 🏆!!

#INDvsPAK

WAY TO GO #TeamIndia!!



**Doordarshan Sports** @ddsportschannel · Jan 22

BIG ACHIEVEMENT!!!!

India wins #BlindCricketWorldCup 2018 by defeating Pakistan.

Congratulations to #TeamIndia on the historic win. You have made the nation proud.



**Anil Kapoor** @AnilKapoor · Jan 20

Congratulations #TeamIndia on winning the #BlindCricketWorldCup!! The whole nation is extremely proud & inspired! Well played! #INDvsPak



**Mohanlal** @Mohanlal · Jan 20

Congratulation to our cricket team for winning the blind cricket World Cup by beating Pakistan. Proud Moment

#BlindCricketWorldCup #TeamIndia



**Minhaz Merchant** @MinhazMerchant · Jan 20

Congrats Team India! Fantastic win by 2 wickets over Pak in final of #BlindCricketWorldCup in Sharjah!



**IndusInd Bank** @MyIndusIndBank · Jan 20

#TheOtherMenInBlue have done it again and it's a proud moment for all us. Go louder as #TheOtherMenInBlue lift the World Cup once again.



**All India Radio News** @airnewsalerts · Jan 20

#INDvsPAK 🏆: India clinch #BlindCricketWorldCup 🏆 title after beating #Pakistan in final.



**State Bank of India** @TheOfficialSBI · Jan 20

Congratulations to the unbeaten #Champions, #TeamIndia, on winning the #BlindCricketWorldCup!!



**Rajdeep Sardesai** @sardesairajdeep · Jan 20

Few years ago, took blind cricket organisers to a BCCI chief; lots of nice words but no support; asked a big star for help, fine words, no help. Ditto with private sponsor of cricket. Time to walk the talk! #BlindCricketWorldCup



**Indian Blind Cricket team meets President Shri Ram Nath Kovind after Winning the 5th ODI World Cup for the Blind 2018**

# Moments of Glory

## Indian Team Achievements

- ▶ **Indo-Pak Petro Cup in 2005**  
India scores 4-0 against Pakistan in the Finals
  - ▶ **India-England Series in 2007**  
India scores 4-0 against England
  - ▶ **India-England Series in 2010**  
India wins the Series with score 3-0
  - ▶ **India- Pakistan series in 2012**  
India wins against Pakistan
  - ▶ **First ever T-20 World Cup tournament in 2012**  
India wins the Tournament
  - ▶ **India-Australia series in 2014**  
India wins the Series
  - ▶ **4th ODI World Cup Championship in 2014**  
India wins the Championship held in South Africa
  - ▶ **India – England series in 2015**  
India wins the Series
  - ▶ **T-20 Asia Cup in 2016**  
India wins the Title
  - ▶ **2nd T-20 World Cup in 2017**  
India wins the Title
  - ▶ **5th ODI World Cup in 2018**  
India wins the Title
- India is the only Country which has won all Major Titles of Blind Cricket



Hon Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji felicitated the Indian Blind Cricket team for winning the 2nd T20 World Cup for the Blind 2017



Indian Blind Cricket team meets President Shri Ram Nath Kovind after Winning the 5th ODI World Cup for the Blind 2018



Team with Honorable Vice President of India Shri. Venkaiah Naidu



Shri Mahantesh G K President, CABI with Shri Arvind Kejriwal CM of Delhi along with other CABI Officials



Indian Cricket team members with Rajiv Shukla, Chairman of IPL



Shri Pranab Mukherji felicitated the Indian Blind Cricket team for winning the World Cup for the Blind 2012 & 2014



Team with the Minister of Social justice and Empowerment, Shri Thawar Chand Gehlot



Team with Minister of Women and Child welfare - UP Ms. Swati Singh



Team with the Union Minister for Civil Aviation Mr. Pasupati Ashok Gajapathi Raju.



Sri Vipul with Indian Blind team at Indian Consulate Dubai



Shri Ajay Jadeja with Indian Blind Cricket Team at a Press Conference



Indian Blind Cricket Team with the Union Home Minister, Shri Rajnath Singh



Sports Minister Shri Vijay Goel felicitated Indian Blind Cricket Team after winning the Blind T20 Cricket World Cup

#### CABI's Goals:

- \* To provide opportunities to the visually impaired to exhibit their skills before a larger audience, and to spread awareness among the public regarding the abilities and talent of the visually impaired.
- \* To organize a regular domestic cricketing calendar with coaching camps, tournaments at various levels including bilateral series and overseas .
- \* To create a strong network and infrastructure by taking on-board active local bodies and blind schools ; formulating guidelines and monitoring the game.
- \* To help the local bodies rights from spotting talented players to organizing local level tournaments to spot talent. Forming teams with coaches, physiotherapists, trainers, umpires other personnel and also overseeing the tournaments.
- \* To work towards getting support and affiliation from BCCI and Ministry of Youth affairs and Sports, Government of India.
- \* To Start Women Blind Cricket and grass root level cricket in schools

Payment should be made in the form of Cheques / DD, drawn in favor of Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled or Cricket Association for the Blind in India (CABI) payable at Bangalore

All contributions to this event enjoy tax exemption under section 80G of Indian Income Tax Act

#### Remembering SP Nagesh

SP Nagesh, Co-Founder of Samarthanam Trust and Founder President for CABI, was the major driving force behind the initiation of Blind Cricket and promoting the game. As a cricket enthusiast he was committed towards taking cricket to greater levels. His dedication towards popularizing Blind Cricket was remarkable. Nagesh's desire for CABI involved an equal status on par with the BCCI, dedicated stadiums, play grounds in each State and recognition across the country. CABI will long remember his efforts put towards encouraging cricket for the visually impaired and the plethora of tournaments organized under his administration.



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