

‘Not upset as everyone is in the same boat’

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It is not unusual for any individual to be demoralised and frustrated during the coronavirus pandemic that has seen the world come to a standstill.

Like the general population, the national cricketers are now far removed from their regular lifestyle, which revolves around playing cricket. While it is usual to be upset about being away from a beloved activity for such a long period, Bangladesh batsman Mohammad Mithun has remained positive.

“I do not see anything to be very upset about right now. Because this situation is true for the entire world. I would only be upset if cricket is being played as usual and I was somehow unable to play. The feeling that I am not able to play while others are playing is the thing that would be upsetting,” explained Mithun.

The 29-year-old has had to adjust to difficult situations throughout his career. And adaptability was on Mithun’s mind as he said now is the time to keep himself ready so that as soon as cricket returns, he can adjust quickly.

“There is nothing to be upset about. Instead, it is now very important and challenging to keep myself ready, so that whenever cricket returns, I can also return and adjust -- mentally, physically and skill-wise -- quickly and recover from the huge gap,” said Mithun.

The right-hander, who is yet to cement his place in the national squad, also mentioned that he never regretted anything as he reflected on his cricketing career.

“To be honest, I do not regret much. I can usually shrug off disappointments and do not regret much about anything as regretting would not be of much benefit to me.



If I keep regretting, then I would not be able to give my 100 per cent in my future endeavours. It is true that all players want their position in the team to be stable and to cement their place, and I am no different.

“Actually, I have made mistakes. Sometimes luck did not favour me. I think in cricket luck plays a big role. I can work hard and give my all but still I cannot guarantee that I will score a century. You can get out because of a run-out, or a misjudgement by the umpire or you might even fall prey to an excellent delivery even after scoring 30 runs and being set at the crease. And then again there are some mistakes that I made, avoiding which I could have been in a better position in my career now,” admitted Mithun.

The right-hander also went on to mention that the players in the subcontinent usually have to deal with pressure from the crowd and the media, which also affects their game. However, Mithun accepted that it is their duty as professional cricketers to deal with everything and be unfazed

when they play.

Mithun is now helping his family members in household chores and is looking after his two children. While he is enjoying every bit of familytime, the batsman was positive about the domestic season resuming and for cricket to return, be it even behind closed doors, but obviously by taking all precautions.

“It [playing cricket behind closed doors and in a crowd-less stadium] is going to be a new thing. But the situation and the virus is also a novel one. It might look different but it is important that cricket resumes.

“And ensuring safety is also important. It is better to play in an empty stadium than to spread infection by playing amid thousands of fans,” said Mithun, who also thought that much like the initiatives taken in major European football leagues and also in the international cricket arena, players in the country also need to be tested for coronavirus before resuming any form of sport.

Rabiot laughs off ‘strike’ claim

AFP, Rome

Juventus midfielder Adrien Rabiot reacted with irony on Wednesday to reports his delay in returning to Turin was because he was on “strike” in protest at the club cutting wages amid the coronavirus pandemic.

“When you realise it’s your last day on ... STRIKE!” Rabiot wrote on Instagram, alongside two laughing emojis and a sad-looking photo of himself.

Shortly after, he posted a new image, a drawing of a small vial on which was written “Newspapers-TV-Press, do not swallow”.



Juventus forward Paulo Dybala showed no signs of fatigue or discomfort during his individual training session at the club training ground on Tuesday following his recovery from coronavirus.

PHOTO: INSTAGRAM

Day’s new contract from middle of Aug

SPORTS REPORTER



Although the Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) wanted to renew their contract with head coach Jamie Day before his current deal expires on May 15, it is likely to wait for a few more days as the draft agreement was not completed till Wednesday.

“We have been working with the agent of Jamie Day for the last three weeks to renew his contract for the next two years from mid August of 2020. We have already had four meetings online and several e-mail communications to prepare a draft agreement. We are hoping to finalise all terms and conditions within a week,” BFF general secretary Abu Nayeem Shohag told The Daily Star.

The 40-year-old coach has been in England since early March after FIFA suspended World Cup Qualifying fixtures following the global outbreak of coronavirus.

Shohag informed that the agreement will come into effect from August 16 as FIFA is likely to resume the World Cup Qualifiers in late November or early December, subject to the normalcy of the situation.

However, the BFF is not going to retain



the services of the British coaches at the BFF-Fortis Football Academy.

“We had contracts with three British coaches till April 26 and we did not renew the contacts. We told them that we would communicate after things turn normal as we don’t want to pay their salaries without service,” said Shohag.

The BFF secretary, however, said they would take every step and provide all support to Day to find expatriates booters from Europe.

“In the discussion of last few weeks, we have wanted to ensure that Jamie will scout Bangladeshi expatriate players likes Jamal Bhuiyan, especially from UK. BFF will give all kinds of supports to Jamie in this regard,” said Shohag.

New PL rules ban tackles

REUTERS

Premier League players will be prohibited from tackling and pitches will have to be disinfected when clubs return to training as part of plans to prevent the spread of COVID-19, the BBC reported on Tuesday.

Citing an official protocol sent to Premier League players and managers outlining conditions for returning to training, the BBC’s report said players will be tested twice per week for the virus and take a daily temperature check, while they will also be forbidden from congregating together or travelling to or from training with team mates, the report added.

The Premier League did not immediately respond to a request to comment on the BBC’s report.

Playing 2023 WC is my ultimate goal: Warner

PTI



Australian opener David Warner says he is feeling fitter than ever despite missing two of the last three years of cricket and making it to the 2023 ODI World Cup remains his “ultimate goal”.

“In the last three years I’ll have had almost two years off, depending on when we play cricket again,” Warner, who lost 12 months due to a ban for ball-tampering in 2018, and is now losing precious time due to sport being halted worldwide.

“The longevity in your body helps. The get ups of training and playing gets harder as you get older but I haven’t felt any fitter in my career than I do now,” Warner said. “As the legs get older time will tell. At the moment I’m feeling as fit as a fiddle and if I can keep running between wickets as well as I have done, who knows. That (2023 ODI) World Cup is the ultimate goal.”


The 33-year-old said next year’s T20 World Cup in India might be a good time to



step away from the shortest format.

“There’s back-to-back T20 World Cups, and I started my career with Twenty20 cricket, and I think it’s important we’ve got younger kids coming through and they get a sniff and a chance of playing at this level.

“We’re seeing a lot of guys and talent coming through Australian cricket (and) I think it’s important we’re leaving those opportunities open there. At that stage you will probably get two spots open up in the team with me and Finchy (Aaron Finch). He wants to go to that World Cup in three years’ time as well, so there’s going to be a few spots available after that.”



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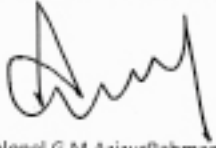
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