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Saurav back on the top

NAIROBI, Oct 16 (Internet report): India's Saurav Ganguly's 15th one-day ton might not have been enough to secure his side the ICC Knockout Trophy in Kenya on Sunday but it did help the Indian skipper back to the top of the Player-of-the-Week rankings.

Ganguly's superb tournament - 348 runs at an average of 116 including 141 not out in the semi-final against South Africa - helped him leapfrog Australian star Michael Bevan at the top of the rankings, although the move will come as scant reward for the former Lancashire player as he saw his side slip to a four-wicket defeat to New Zealand in the final at the Gynkhana Ground.

Roger Twose, one of the stars of the triumphant Kiwi side, jumped three places to third in the rankings following the tournament in which he smashed 203 runs including two half-centuries.

Pakistan's Saeed Anwar was the biggest climber following the 13-day tournament. The 32-year-old, a veteran of 211 ODIs, jumped 15 places to ninth after his two consecutive centuries - 105 not out against Sri Lanka and 104 in the semi-final against New Zealand.

Graeme Hick confirmed his reputation as England's best one-day batsman by moving up five places to 10th following his 23 not out against Bangladesh and 65 in the defeat against South Africa.

England's Alan Mullally, who missed the tournament through injury, lost his place as the second best bowler in ODIs to Sri Lanka's Muttiah Muralitharan who moved up one place in the rankings despite not picking up a wicket in his two games.

However, England do still have four bowlers in the top ten - Mullally, Gough (6th), Ealham (8th) and Caddick (10th).

South Africa's Jacques Kallis remains the top all-rounder in the one-day game, standing at 8th in the batting and 18th in the bowling rankings, although Kiwi Chris Cairns - officially the best Test all-rounder - is pushing Kallis hard.

Cairns stands at 32nd in the bowling list, although his match-winning ton in the final of the tournament against India saw him rise to 28th position in the batting rankings.



Alan Chowdhury, secretary of the Bangladesh Cricket Board's Grounds Committee, has suggested that although the wicket at the Bangabandhu National Stadium (BNS) for the historic one-off Test match against India will be a good one, the outfield however, might not be in proper shape by November 10.

Alan yesterday made the comment after the National Sports Council (NSC) granted the Board use of the internationally-recognised venue for Test cricket, which up till now was under the jurisdiction of Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) for the last three months.

"We have two unaffected pitches on the eastern side. Any one can be utilised for the five-day match since both pitches have been praised by visiting teams for their sporting nature," said Alan while talking exclusively to Daily Star Sport.

The number one strip was

used for the Independence Cup final between India and Pakistan in January 1998, while inaugural ICC Knockout final between South Africa and West Indies was played on the pitch beside.

Alan though lamented that the number three strip, which was used for the first-ever Asian Test Championship final between Pakistan and Sri Lanka in March last year, would not be available as half of it bore the brunt of the Premier Division Football League season so far.

It is worth noting that the match contained two double centuries by Pakistan middle order batsmen Ijaz Ahmed (211) and Inzamamul Haq (200 n.o.) as well as a hat-trick by the sultan of swing Wasim Akram. Pakistan won the final by an innings and 175 runs.

Alan was more concerned about the state of the outfield and the lack of time to bring it up to scratch.

"I honestly fear that within

this short three-week period one cannot possibly lay a new outfield," complained the former Kalabagan player.

"It requires at least six months for new grass seeds to grow. So my only option is to fill up the holes left by those boots with sand," said Alan adding, "But such a remedy can in no way do justice to the name of the gentleman's game."

Prior to his departure for Nairobi, BCB president Saber Hossain Chowdhury had also expressed his disappointment at the brief allotment of BNS to cricket.

"We had sought at least five weeks to get the stadium into shape. But unfortunately NSC has given us only three weeks time. This is absolutely insufficient to prepare a ground of international standard," he said.

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Cairns' greatest innings



NAIROBI, Oct 16 (Internet report): This was the stuff legends are made up of. Chris Cairns' undefeated hundred against India in the final of the International Cricket Council Knockout Trophy will not be forgotten by those present at the Nairobi Gymkhana in a hurry.

He blanked the clueless Indians virtually on one leg. The mere statistics that he faced 113 balls and hit nine fours and two sixes for his 102 do not justice to the spirit of the man. It was like climbing a mountain with a physical handicap, and Cairns accomplished exactly that.

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