



In a curious twist of fate, it was Shakib and Tamim that were key for Bangladesh, both hitting half centuries at key points of Bangladesh's innings. Bangladesh were eventually left needing 19 runs off the final two overs with Mahmudullah Riyad and Razzak at the crease and brought that down to nine off the final six balls before falling agonisingly shy in the most intensely-fought Asia Cup final to date. Man of the match Shahid Afridi was chiefly responsible for the heartbreak, scoring a quickfire 32 before suffocating the Tigers with the ball as he gave away just 28 runs in 10 overs.