Poch 'happy' ahead of Munich tie

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Real Madrid v Club Brugge

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Tottenham boss Mauricio Pochettino said he was "so happy" with his squad as they prepare to face Bundesliga leaders Bayern Munich in the Champions League today after a turbulent

Spurs have struggled to find consistency this season after an unsettling summer transfer window during which key players including Christian Eriksen were linked to

Last week's League Cup exit against fourth-tier Colchester was a low point and Pochettino blamed that setback on "different agendas in the squad". But their 2-1 victory against Southampton

on Saturday lifted them to fifth in the Premier League table and helped calm nerves.

League opener against Olympiakos to draw 2-2 but Pochettino pointed out that last season the club had just a single point after three games and still reached the final, where they lost to Liverpool.

Venue: Bir Shrestha

Kamalapur

Mostafa Kamal Stadium,

Walton U-18 Football

Tournament

Time: 3:00pm

Saif SC v NoFel SC

"I am so happy with the squad and we're in a position where everything is possible," the Spurs boss told his pre-match press conference on Monday.

Defender Jan Vertonghen, who has been linked with a move away from the Spurs, played down rumours of dressing room unrest.

"I am not going too much into that, the mood at this point is good," he said. "It was a good win on Saturday. We showed who we really are."

Vertonghen refused to be drawn on his contract negotiations, adding: "I would prefer not to go too deep into that (contract situation) Spurs let slip a 2-0 lead in their Champions but there is always some movement."

Messi fraud case dismissed

AFP, Madrid

Spain's National Court said yesterday that it had dismissed a complaint against Barcelona's Lionel Messi filed by a former employee of the Argentine footballer's foundation, who had accused him of fraud, embezzlement and money laundering.

In dismissing the case, the judge wrote that the complaint "was based on an account put together from stories in the press, without bringing even a single element that was personally and directly known" by the plaintiff.

The complaint had been filed in June by Federico Rettori, an Argentine national living in Majorca who formerly worked for Messi's charity.

Fraser-Pryce, Felix make history

AFP, Doha



Jamaican sprint queen Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce surged to an unprecedented fourth 100m crown and US legend Allyson Felix broke Usain Bolt's gold medal record tally as the returning new mothers lit up the World Championships in

Doha on Sunday.

Fraser-Pryce and Felix, both racing in their first major championships since taking time off from the sport to have children, lit up a pulsating day three of competition at the Khalifa Stadium.

The 32-year-old Fraser-Pryce, who skipped the 2017 championships to give birth to her first child, delivered a barnstorming run to take the 100m in 09.34sec. 10.71sec. Fraser-Pryce was in control from the gun,

rocketing out of the blocks and taking the

lead in the opening 20 metres.

The veteran Jamaican then swept over the line majestically to add to the world titles won in 2009, 2013 and 2015 before setting off on a victory lap carrying her twoyear-old son Zyon.

In 2013, Fraser-Pryce was named IAAF World Athlete of the Year after an outstanding season, thus becoming the first Jamaican woman to win since the legendary Merlene Ottey in 1990.

The day also saw US track queen Felix win a record 12th World Championship gold medal.

Felix only returned to the sport in July after a 13-month layoff which saw her give birth to her daughter Camryn last November.

The 33-year-old took gold in the 4x400m mixed relay as the United States motored to victory in a world record time of 3min

Felix's 12th gold medal broke Jamaican legend Bolt's record tally of 11 World Championship gold medals.

Kool-BSJA media football from today

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Kool-BSJA Media Cup football tournament gets underway today at BFF artificial turf with 24 media houses taking part in the six-a-side meet.

The participating teams, split into eight groups, will play in round-robin league and top teams from each group will advance to the quarterfinals. The semifinals and final will take place on October 5.

This information was disclosed at a press conference at the NSC Tower where BSJA's president Motaher Hossain Masum, general secretary Raihan Al Mugni and Square Toiletries' marketing chief Dr Jesmin Jaman were present.



During some time off in Tokyo, where the World No.1 is participating in the Japan Open Tennis Championships, Novak Djokovic (R) visited a traditional sumo ring where he attempted to make one of the wrestlers budge. Needless to say, the Serbian was not successful in his efforts.

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