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Tamim began the day on 7943 runs and notched a century stand with Liton Das as Tigers started well after being sent to bat. Tamim notched his 54th ODI fifty in 80 deliveries and then reached the 8000-run mark in the 24th over by guiding a Sikandar Raza delivery through third man for four.

He, however, departed in the 26th over after an 88-ball 62. Tamim also became the 33rd batter in ODI cricket to notch the 8000-run mark. He took 239 matches to reach the mark, at career average of 37.20, having scored 14 ODI hundreds.

Tamim also became the ninth opener in the world to reach the mark to join the elite list of ODI openers with at least 8000 runs. Sachin Tendulkar tops the list of highest run-getters among openers in ODIs. Tamim joins the list headed by Tendulkar, Sanath Jayasuriya, Chris Gayle, Adam Gilchrist, Sourav Ganguly, Desmond Haynes, Saeed Anwar and Hashim Amla.



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Although Bangladesh's approach in the longest and the shortest format of the game has constantly been questioned, the Tigers get into the groove and adapt accordingly when it comes to one-day cricket.

A combined batting effort from the top order saw skipper Tamim and Liton Das lay the platform for a big total by adding 119 runs for the opening wicket. Tamim led from the front, scoring his 54th ODI half-century. In the process, the left-hander also became the first Bangladeshi to score 8,000 ODI runs.

At the other end, Liton continued his sublime form, registering his seventh fifty overall. But just when the stylish right-hander was eyeing a sixth ODI ton, he unfortunately

After coming out to bat in the 26th over, Anamul looked comfortable in rotating the strike. But that did not mean he shied away from playing his shots when offered, reaching his fifty off a brisk 47 balls.

He was joined by another experienced campaigner in the form of Mushfiqur Rahim, also returning to the side,



Anamul was eventually dismissed in the 46th over as the Tigers attempted to accelerate after scoring 73 runs off 62 balls, a knock punctuated by three sixes and six fours.

Mushfiquer became the fourth batsman to hit a half-century for the visitors, bringing up his 42nd ODI fifty and remaining unbeaten on 52 off 49 balls. Mahmudullah Riyad was not out on 20 as Bangladesh added 52 runs in the last six overs of the innings.

It was the clarity in the thought process of the think-tank, unmarred by controversial selections in the playing eleven, that saw the players understand their role in the ODI format. It is probably also a big reason for the consistency displayed by the Tigers in this format.

With the upcoming ICC ODI World Cup next year and Bangladesh having won six of their past seven ODI series under Tamim's captaincy, the think-tank may find themselves in a bittersweet dilemma when it comes to picking a playing eleven when star all-rounder Shakib Al Hasan returns to the team.

**AFP, NEW DELHI**

The affinity between Pakistani gold medallist Nooh Dastgir Butt and India's Gurdeep Singh, who came third in the 109+ kg category in Birmingham on Wednesday, stands in stark contrast to the nuclear-armed neighbours' political rivalry.

The two weightlifters come from either side of Punjab, a state divided between the neighbours at Partition 75 years ago, and have a common language and culture.

They also share a love of the music of murdered Punjabi rapper Sidhu Moose Wala. The two strongmen were born about 250 kilometres (155 miles) apart and according to the 26-year-old Singh first met in junior championships six years ago.


They "would share tips about diet. Conversing in Punjabi obviously helped our friendship", he told The Indian Express from Birmingham.

Commonwealth Games champion Butt, 24, described them as "very good friends".

"After the gold, I first congratulated Gurdeep and later we did a small celebration where we danced to Moose Wala's songs," he said.

Butt, born into a family of wrestlers, said that he also enjoyed support from across the border.

"I have more fans from India than Pakistan in the weightlifting community," he said. "The kind of love India has given me, no other country has given me."

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