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KANGANA RANAUT TO PLAY SITA IN PERIOD
DRAMA FILM THE INCARNATION- SITA

Kangana Ranaut seems to have won the race to play the role of Goddess Sita in a Bollywood film. The four times National Award winning actor Kangana Ranaut is all set to portray the mythical character in her upcoming film The Incarnation – SITA, which will be helmed by Alaukik Desai. The film's story has been written by veteran screenwriter KV Vijayendra Prasad. Filmmaker Alaukik Desai, in a press statement said, "Universe does help those who surrender to it with belief. What was a mirage, is now clarity. A dream of a pious character never explored is now a reality. I am ecstatic to bring Kangana Ranaut on board as Sita. This pious journey will change the course of how we perceive our mythology. Thank you SS Studio for your immense support and belief."



Boney Kapoor and daughters Janhvi and Khushi receive UAE's golden visa after Mammooty, Mohanlal

After actors like Sanjay Dutt, Mohanlal and Mammooty, producer and director Boney Kapoor and his family has received the 10-year golden visa from the Dubai government. Kapoor took to social media on Tuesday noon to share the news. He wrote, "Grateful to Dubai government for granting me and my family a 10 years golden visa. Dynamic and kind hearted leadership. Best Destination Dubai and UAE????? #Goldenvisa #Dubai #UAE." Boney's wife Sridevi had died in Dubai in 2018 due to accidental drowning. The actor had gone to Dubai to attend a family wedding and had stayed behind for a few days as the rest of the family returned. Late last month, both the south superstars had shared similar news along with photos of themselves receiving the honorary visa. "My grateful thanks to H E Mohamed Ali Al Shorafa Al Hammadi for bestowing upon me the Golden Visa for the UAE."



Ajay Devgn recreates his Phool Aur Kaante split on 2 trucks, promises 'double the entertainment'

Bollywood star Ajay Devgn is returning with the stunt that he performed 30 years ago in Phool Aur Kaante and looks like the actor has some surprises up his sleeve as he returns with his formidable 'split' that launched him into stardom. In a video shared on Instagram, Ajay shared a short promo with a caption that read, "This reminded me of the split that I did 30 years back! Bringing to you, double the guarantee of entertainment and value. Stay tuned to know more." In the promo, we see Ajay on top of two trucks as they come down a highway. The text reads that the big announcement will be made on September 15. Ajay Devgn has a lot of projects in the pipeline at the moment.







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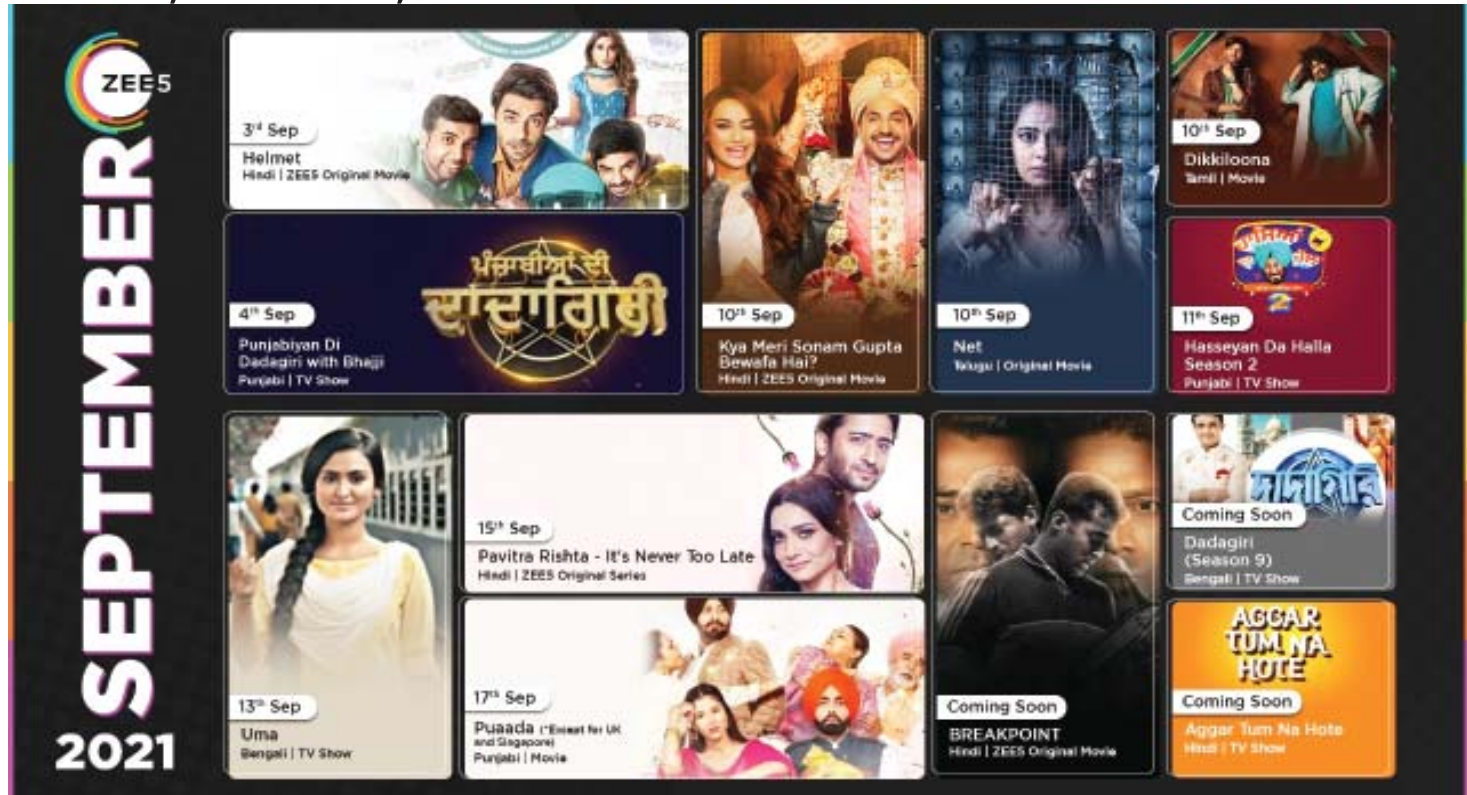
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ZEE5 GLOBAL TO STREAM PAVITRA RISHTA – IT’S NEVER TOO LATE, PUAADA, DIKKILOONA AND MORE THIS SEPTEMBER



ZEE5 Global, the world’s largest streaming platform for South Asian content, has announced a blockbuster content line-up for September comprising a variety of Originals, movies, web series, and popular TV shows for its US audiences. From Season 2 of the iconic TV show Pavitra Rishta to the Aparshakti Khurana-starrer social comedy Original movie Helmet, we list out all that’s streaming on the platform this month.

Starring Aparshakti Khurana, Pranutan Bahl, Abhishek Banerjee and Ashish Verma in pivotal roles, ZEE5 Original film Helmet is now streaming on the platform. Jointly produced by Sony Pictures Networks Production and actor Dino Morea’s DM movies, the film outlines one of the most pertinent issues prevalent in our society: our hesitancy in purchasing condoms. Helmet has been directed by Satram Ramani and offers a strong underlying message executed in a funny, yet non-preachy manner.

After the massive success of ZEE TV’s Pavitra Rishta starring the late actor Sushant Singh Rajput and Ankita Lokhande, the show is set to return with an Original sequel Pavitra Rishta – It’s Never Too Late, starring Ankita Lokhande as Archana and Shaheer Sheikh as Manav. Veteran actor Usha Nadkarni will return to the small screen as Savita Deshmukh. The extraordinary love story of Manav and Archana will be streaming from 15th September.

Set to release on 10th September, ZEE5 Original film Kya Meri Sonam Gupta Bewafa Hai? will mark the digital debut of popular TV actress Surbhi Jyoti, with Indian singer-actor Jassie Gill in lead roles. The film is a comedy of errors set against the backdrop of a small town, Bareilly.

The ZEE Studio-produced Punjabi-language film Puaada will be available for streaming on 17th September. Starring the ever-popular Sonam Bajwa and Ammy Virk in lead roles, the romantic drama film encompasses the love story of a village boy and a girl next door who find their way to true love anything but smooth.

Punjabi viewers can also stream the ZEE Punjabi talk show Hasseyan Da Halla season 2 with legendary host and actor Jaswinder Bhalla on 11th September, while the new game show Punjabiyaan Di Dadagiri with Bhaji is now streaming on ZEE5 every Saturday and Sunday. The show anchor is none other than famous cricketer Harbhajan Singh.

ZEE5 is also set to release BreakPoint, co-directed by award-winning filmmaker duo Ashwiny Iyer Tiwari and Nitesh Tiwari. The 7-part series will narrate the on-court and off-court journey of one of the most feared tennis pairs of the late 1990s: Leander Paes and Mahesh Bhupathi. From brotherhood to break-up, BreakPoint documents the tale of ambition, passion, friendship, and hope encompassing the lives of the titans of the tennis world. The series will release soon on

ZEE5.

From primetime TV, viewers can watch the ZEE TV show Agar Tum Na Hote on ZEE5 soon.

For Tamil viewers, the fiction show Anbe Sivam will release on the platform soon. The reality show Survivor will stream from 12th September, while non-fiction show Master D Blaster is now streaming on the platform. Written and directed by Kartik Yogi, the science fiction and romantic comedy film Dikkiloona is set to premiere on the platform on 10th September.

Bengali viewers can watch the drama TV show Uma, starring popular actors Shinjinee Chakraborty and Neel Bhattacharya, soon on the platform. Dadagiri Season 9 will also be available soon on the platform, starring famous host and cricketer Saurav Ganguly. Kannada viewers can watch veteran actress Umashree in daily soap Putakkana Makklu soon on ZEE5. Iconic music reality shows Sa Re Ga Ma Pa Championship can also be streamed from 12th September.

For Telugu viewers, ZEE5 Original film Net (Telugu) is set to premiere on the platform on 10th September. The story encompasses the life of a married man who registers with an online surveillance agency to keep an eye on a young professional girl through hidden cameras. Written and directed by Supreeth C Krishna, Telugu film Alanti Sitralu will release soon and follows the lives of four individuals in different predicaments. Viewers can also watch Agnipareeksha soon on the platform. For Ganesh Chaturthi, the platform will have a special event Ra Ra Swamy on 12th September.

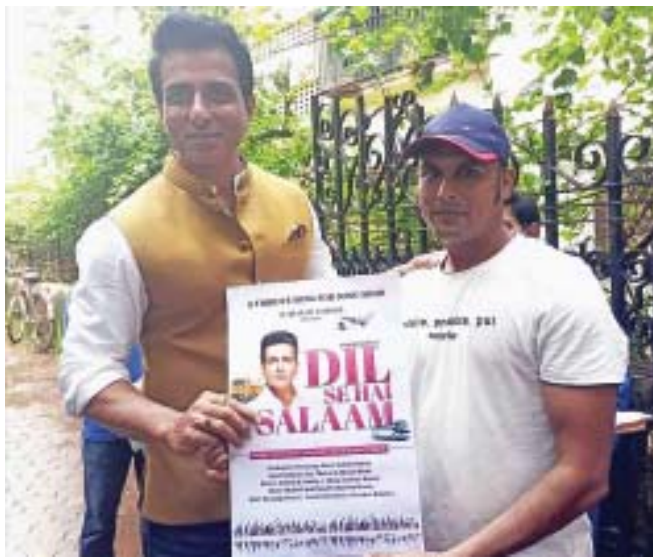
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SONU SOOD'S FAN TO RELEASE A SONG DEDICATED TO THE ACTOR



MUMBAI, (IANS) Some time back, an admirer of Bollywood star and social worker SonuSood, bicycled his way to the top of Mount Kilimanjaro and unfurled a poster hailing the star. Now, Arun Kumar Nikam, a Surat-based singer who started life as a vegetable seller, is all set to release a music video - 'Dil se hai salaam' - dedicated to the actor.

Announcing this, Nikam said it was his way of showing his respect to the actor, who turned out to be a "real-life hero", standing by ordinary people when the Covid-19 pandemic was at its peak. "I am inspired by SonuSood's good deeds and want to pay my tribute to him," Nikam said. "The song is really special for me. The purpose of the release is to reach out to the largest possible audience. If the song gets positive feedback, my efforts will be rewarded, and doors to the industry will open up for me." The song, set to the music of Gaurav Kumar, has been written and sung by Nikam. He has also directed the music video. After recording the song, Nikam met the actor and got his go-ahead. It will be released on Monday, September 13.

ARJUN KAPOOR: WORK FOR THE LONG TERM, NOT FOR QUICK RESULTS



MUMBAI, (IANS) Actor Arjun Kapoor says he feels encouraged with the appreciation that he has been receiving for his physical transformation and added that one should have long term planning to stay fit and not look at short term results. Arjun, who has battled obesity for the longest time, wants to share the wealth of knowledge that his trainer and food curator have to offer through his social media so that people benefit from it. He said: "It is really encouraging to see people appreciative of the hard work that I'm putting in. It feels great to constantly try to become better. I have to give a lot of credit to my trainer Drew Neal and Akshat Arora, who has taken care of my nutritional needs with his inventive dishes, for keeping me on track. "I'm really lucky that I have them to keep me focussed on my fitness goals every single day."

PRIYANKA CHOPRA, USHER, JULIANNE TO CO-HOST 'THE ACTIVIST'



NEW YORK, (IANS) Priyanka Chopra Jonas, Usher and Julianne Hough are set to co-host the Global Citizen competition series from CBS, 'The Activist'. The five-week reality series will premiere on October 22 on the CBS and will be available for live streaming on demand on Paramount+. 'The Activist' is a competition series that features six activists teamed with three high-profile public figures working together to bring meaningful change to one of three vitally important world causes -- health, education and environment.

DEEPIKA, IN A PDA MOMENT, SHARES PIC OF RANVEER'S 'EARLY MORNING LOOK'

Mumbai, (IANS) Actress Deepika Padukone clicked a picture of her husband and actor Ranveer Singh, whom she lovingly called her "morning view".

Deepika posted the picture on Instagram, where Ranveer appears to be sleeping with his hoodie covering half of his face.

"My Morning View! @ranveersingh (click emoji) - Yours Truly," Deepika captioned the picture, which currently has 536K likes on the photo-sharing website.

This is not the first time Deepika and Ranveer have engaged on PDA on social media. The power-couple keep sharing pictures and loved-up comments on their social media for each other.

Ranveer and Deepika will soon be seen sharing screen space in filmmaker Kabir Khan's sports biography '83', based on India's win at the World Cup in 1983 under the captaincy of Kapil Dev.



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England Test captain Root voted ICC Men's Player of the Month for August



DUBAI, (IANS) England Test captain Joe Root was voted as ICC Men's player of the month for August. Ireland all-rounder Eimear Richardson was voted as the player of the month in women's category, said the International Cricket Council (ICC) on Monday.

Root beat competition from Indian pacer Jasprit Bumrah and Pakistan speedster Shaheen Afridi to win the award for a stellar month of August. Root scored 507 runs in three Tests against India in August. He scored three centuries, 109 in Trent Bridge, an unbeaten 180 in Lord's and 121 at his home ground in Headingley, which resulted in an England win.

All three centuries propelled him to sit at the top of the Test Rankings for batsmen.

"With the expectation and responsibility on his shoulders as the captain, I was really impressed with how he led from the front with the bat, and become the number one ranked Test batter in the world," said former South Africa all-rounder JP Duminy, one of the panellists in the ICC Voting Academy.

For an old man like me, I need to stay fresh as much as I can: de Villiers

DUBAI, (IANS) Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB) batsman AB de Villiers said for an old man like him, it is important to stay fresh as much as possible. He also said that the pitch was a little sticky, which made it tough to hit big shots in his first practice session after completing quarantine.

In a video posted by RCB on Twitter, the 37-year-old de Villiers was seen trying to hit the ball all over the park. "It was very good. The wicket was a bit sticky so it was quite tough actually. Bowlers bowled very well and it's humid here, we are gonna sweat a lot which is good for losing a bit of weight but for an old man like me, I need to stay fresh as much as I can," said de Villiers.

"It was a great session and was nice to see everyone out there. All the guys are looking very eager to get going. I am looking forward to tomorrow's warm-up game," added de Villiers.

The former South Africa captain felt nice about reuniting with his RCB teammates after the first half of IPL 2021 in India. "Absolutely, I have missed the guys. I have caught up with a couple of individuals and I will get to meet up with the older guys over the next few days. I have covered a couple of guys tonight and it's nice to hear all the stories and what they got up to in the last couple of months. There's some interesting stuff that has happened and, it's great to be together as a team again." In between, de Villiers was seen doing some shadow batting in the practice sessions. Asked about his rationale to

In the women's award, Eimear saw off tough competition from teammate Gaby Lewis and Thailand's Nattaya Boochatham. Eimear put in a fine all-round display in the ICC Women's T20 World Cup Europe Qualifier last month, which led her to be named the Player of the Tournament. She took seven wickets at an economy rate of 4.19 in the tournament, including important spells of 2/6 in the opener against Germany and 2/24 against group-toppers Scotland. She also returned 2/0 and 1/22 against France and Netherlands respectively, as Ireland came second in their group. Her contributions went beyond the ball. She scored a crucial 49-ball 53 in their final match against the Netherlands and totalled 76 runs in the tournament -- a return that put her in the top five of the run charts. "It was very exciting to be nominated for the ICC Women's Player of the Month for August and to now be voted as the winner is just so amazing and humbling. It was great to contribute to overall team performances at the European Qualifiers and hopefully we have done enough to make the next stage and compete on a global level again," said Eimear.



do shadow batting, de Villiers revealed, "Obviously as players, you try to figure a little things about your technique, the little movements you do. I have got quite a few trigger points which have served me throughout my career. So, I try and get through the memory bank of little things I used to do." "I have always chopped and changed my technique as I have moved on and this is no different. This is the first time in a few months that I will be playing competitive cricket again. So, I am trying to find the comfort zone of movement at the crease, where my head position should be a' and that's what I think of when I do shadow batting," concluded de Villiers.

New Zealand arrive in Pakistan after 18 years, but ODI series not a part of Super League

ISLAMABAD, (IANS) The New Zealand team has arrived in Pakistan after 18 years for a white-ball tour featuring three ODIs and five T20Is. The Tom Latham-led side landed at the Islamabad airport on Saturday and headed to the hotel where they will serve a three-day mandatory isolation before starting practice from September 15, according to the itinerary released by Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB).

New Zealand had abandoned its tour of Pakistan in 2002 after a bomb exploded outside the team hotel in Karachi. The explosion happened two hours before the start of the second Test. The Black Caps returned to play five ODIs in 2003, which was its last trip of Pakistan.

The 2021 trip also brings former Sri Lankan cricketer Thilan Samaraweera back to the country. Samaraweera was a member of the Sri Lankan team attacked by militants near the Gaddafi Stadium in Lahore in 2009. After Sri Lanka abandoned the tour immediately, Samaraweera was treated for shrapnel shots in the left thigh and took three months after surgery to remove the bullet to get back on the field. He is now serving as a member of the coaching staff of the New Zealand team on their tours of Bangladesh and Pakistan.

In the meantime, the three ODIs scheduled to be played on September 17, 19, 21 in Rawalpindi will not be counted in the ICC ODI Super League and will be played as a bilateral series. Pakistan have 40 points from four wins out of nine matches, standing at sixth place in the table. New Zealand have won all three matches, picking 30 points and are ranked tenth in the table. "Pakistan Cricket Board and New Zealand Cricket have mutually agreed to change the status of next week's ODI series to a bilateral series from the ICC Cricket World Cup Super League fixtures due to the non-availability of Decision Review System (DRS), a requirement in the event playing conditions," read the statement by PCB. "As New Zealand will return to Pakistan in the 2022-23 season to play two Tests and three ODIs, the two boards have agreed that these 50-over matches will now count towards the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2023 qualification," further said the statement.

VIRAT KOHLI WILL REMAIN CAPTAIN OF ALL FORMATS: BCCI



NEW DELHI, (IANS) BCCI treasurer Arun Dhimal on Monday rubbished reports suggesting that Team India captain Virat Kohli is likely to step down as skipper of the limited-overs format after the ICC T20 World Cup.

There are reports doing the rounds that Kohli might lose his white-ball captaincy and Rohit Sharma could be asked to lead the limited-overs side if the team fails to win the ICC T20 World Cup to be held in the UAE and Oman in October-November this year. However, Dhimal rubbished such claims. "This is all rubbish. Nothing (as) such is happening. This is all what you guys (media) are talking about. BCCI has not met or discussed anything on this issue (split captaincy)," Dhimal told IANS. "Virat will remain as the captain (of all formats)."

Earlier, it was reported that Kohli has been very successful in Test cricket, but the onus of leading the side in limited-overs cricket could fall on Sharma because of the former's failure to guide the side to victory in ICC events despite having some of the best bowlers and batters in the game.

Sources had said the BCCI top brass has been discussing the issue since India's loss to New Zealand in the World Test Championship final in England, where they were reportedly unhappy with the Indian skipper's team selection. Kohli had played two spinners in seamer-friendly and overcast conditions during the WTC final. But Dhimal said, "no such meeting took place."

RADUCANU EMERGES NEW US OPEN WOMEN'S CHAMPION IN AN ALL-TEEN AFFAIR



NEW YORK, (IANS) Great Britain's Emma Raducanu, who had made her tour-level main-draw debut in Nottingham just three months ago, emerged the new US Open women's champion, defeating 19-year-old Leylah Fernandez of Canada 6-4, 6-3 in an all-teenage final to win her first Grand Slam title and her first tour-level title overall on Sunday (IST). The 18-year-old British teenager had a perfect three weeks in New York. She made it through three rounds of qualifying without the loss of a set, was equally composed in her main-draw debut, where she also did not drop a set in seven matches. She is the first woman to win the US Open without dropping a set since Serena Williams in 2014. Raducanu is also the youngest Grand Slam champion since Maria Sharapova of Russia won the 2004 Wimbledon aged 17.

MEDVEDEV LIFTS US OPEN TROPHY, DENIES DJOKOVIC CALENDAR GRAND SLAM



NEW YORK, (IANS) Russian world No. 2 Daniil Medvedev made history, winning his first major title with a stunning 6-4, 6-4, 6-4 win against world No. 1 Novak Djokovic in the US Open final, which prevented the Serb from completing the calendar Grand Slam on Monday (IST). Djokovic, after winning the first three majors of the year, was trying to become the first man since Rod Laver in 1969 to win all four majors in one season and break a tie with Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal for the most major titles in history (20 each). But Russia's 25-year-old Medvedev played patiently to become the third Russian man to earn Slam glory, joining Yevgeny Kafelnikov and Marat Safin. "You never know if you're going to achieve [winning a major] in your career. I was always saying if I don't, I just want to know that I did my best to do it," Medvedev said.



INDIA'S SQUAD FOR ICCMEN'S T20WORLD CUP ANNOUNCED; MSDHONI RETURNS AS MENTOR (BCCI/ TWITTER).

BCCI CONFIRMS OFFER TO PLAY TWO EXTRA T20IS IN ENGLAND NEXT YEAR

MUMBAI, (IANS) The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has confirmed that it has offered to play two extra T20Is during the Indian team's tour of England in July 2022 to compensate for the losses suffered by the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) due to cancellation of Manchester Test because of Covid-19 outbreak in the Indian camp. BCCI secretary Jay Shah said that the offer for two extra T20Is will stand if the ECB agrees to amicably resolve the standoff over the fifth Test. "It is correct that we have offered to play two extra T20Is when we visit England next July (only for the white-ball games). Instead of three T20Is, we will play five T20Is. Alternately, we will be willing to play a one-off Test as well. It is up to them to choose either of the offers," Shah told Cricbuzz on Monday. The Daily Mail in the UK reported on Monday that the offer of a rescheduled Test still stands. "However, the offer -- designed to help ease a potential shortfall of 40 million pounds in English cricket's already stretched budget -- would be instead of, not as well as, the rescheduled Test. The offer of a rescheduled Test still stands," the newspaper said. It is learned that the BCCI has left it to ECB to choose either a Test match or two T20Is



which could be played during its visit to England next year. In case ECB chooses to play a Test, it will be the fifth match of a series, just like the one that got cancelled, and not a standalone game.

India players refused to play fifth Test, they were dead scared: Ganguly



NEW DELHI, (IANS) BCCI president Sourav Ganguly has said that the Indian players refused to play the Manchester Test against England because of COVID-19 concerns and denied that the upcoming Indian Premier League (IPL) had played any part in the decision.

The fifth and final Test in Manchester was called off just a couple of hours before the toss on Friday amid health concerns among India's players following a coronavirus outbreak in their coaching camp. "The players refused to play but you can't blame them. Physio Yogesh Parmar was such a close contact of the players. Being the only one available after Nitin Patel isolated himself, he mixed freely with the players and even performed their Covid-19 tests. "He also used to give them a massage, he was part of their everyday lives. The players were devastated when they came to know that he had tested positive for Covid-19. They feared they must have contracted the disease and were dead scared. It's not easy staying in a bubble. Of course, you have to respect their feelings," Ganguly was quoted as saying by The Telegraph. Earlier, former England captain Michael Vaughan has said that India's players were 'petrified' of testing positive ahead of the IPL, which resumes on September 19 in the UAE. However, the BCCI chief said the cancellation had nothing to do with the lucrative league. "The BCCI will never be an irresponsible board. We value other boards too," Ganguly said, adding that the Test match is likely to be held as a one-off match next year.

RAMIZ RAJA FORMALLY ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF PAKISTAN CRICKET BOARD

LAHORE, (IANS) Former Pakistan cricketer Ramiz Raja has been formally elected unanimously as chairman of the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) for a term of three years after winning an unopposed election. PCB Election Commissioner and retired judge Sheikh Azmat presided over a special meeting at the National High Performance Centre on Monday resulting in Raja taking over as PCB chairman.

Raja, along with Asad Ali Khan, was nominated by the PCB Patron, Prime Minister Imran Khan, to the Board of Governors on August 27 for a three-year term, joining independent members Aasim Wajid Jawad, Alia Zafar, Arif Saeed, JavedKurieshi and Chief Executive Wasim Khan.

"I am thankful to all of you for electing me as the PCB Chairman and look forward to working with you to ensure Pakistan cricket continues to thrive and grow stronger, both on and off-the-field. Obviously, as a former cricketer, my other priority will be to look into the welfare of our past and present cricketers. The game has and will always be about the cricketers and, as such, they deserve more recognition and respect from their parent institution," said Raja to the Board of Directors in a release by PCB.

Raja was an overwhelming favourite for the chairman's post after his predecessor Ehsan Mani stepped down from the post. The 36th chairman of the PCB, Raja is the fourth former cricketer to be appointed to the post after Ijaz Butt (2008-11), JavedBurki (1994-95) and Abdul Hafeez Kardar (1972-77).

"One of my key focuses will be to help introduce in the Pakistan men's cricket team the same culture, mind-set, attitude and approach that once made Pakistan one of the most feared cricket playing nations. As an organisation, we all need to get behind the national team and provide them the desired assistance and support so that they can produce that brand of cricket, which the fans also expect from them each time they step on to the field of play," said Raja.

INDIA'S SQUAD FOR ICC MEN'S T20 WORLD CUP ANNOUNCED; MS DHONI RETURNS AS MENTOR



NEW DELHI, (IANS) Former India skipper MS Dhoni is to join the national team as a mentor for the T20 World Cup to be held in UAE and Oman in October-November. He will work with India team head coach Ravi Shastri and coaching staff, says BCCI secretary Jay Shah in a team selection press conference. Off-spinner R Ashwin has also returned to the T20I squad. "Mr. Mahendra Singh Dhoni will be joining Team India as a mentor for the upcoming T20 World Cup. I am glad that MS has accepted BCCI's offer and he is keen to contribute to the national team once again. MS will work closely with Mr. Ravi Shastri as well as other support staff to provide support and direction to Team India," said Jay Shah, secretary of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) to the media in virtual interaction.

India squad: Virat Kohli (captain), Rohit Sharma (vice-captain), K.L. Rahul, Suryakumar Yadav, Rishabh Pant (wk), Hardik Pandya, Ravindra Jadeja, Jasprit Bumrah, Bhuvneshwar Kumar, Mohammed Shami, R Ashwin, Axar Patel, Ishan Kishan, Rahul Chahar and Varun Chakravathy.

Standby: Shreyas Iyer, Deepak Chahar and Shardul Thakur.

DHONI AS A MENTOR: A SHORT-TERM TONIC OR A BIGGER ROLE AWAITIS?



NEW DELHI, (IANS) With the appointment of Mahendra Singh Dhoni as the mentor of Team India for the upcoming ICC T20 World Cup, several questions are arising in the minds of every cricket fan as to why the former India captain was picked by the BCCI? Is it a short-term tonic for a team that often falters in ICC events or a bigger role awaits MSD in the future? This further arises another question: How secure is the future of Ravi Shastri as chief coach now?

According to sources, BCCI Secretary Jay Shah has initiated the move to bring in Dhoni as the mentor of the Indian squad. Very few, not even the biggest of the BCCI officials, were in the know of the move. Interestingly, BCCI President Sourav Ganguly was not present when the major decision was announced during a virtual press conference on Wednesday. His absence was also felt by many netizens. However, the BCCI chief had his reasons as he is currently touring with the team in England. Dhoni is expected to work closely with skipper Virat Kohli and keep him at the top of his decisions. Dhoni is known for his sharp decision-making skills and his relationship with both Kohli and Shastri is set to bring a positive uplift in the Indian dressing room, or so it is believed.

SCHEDULE OF REMAINING IPL MATCHES TORONTO TIMINGS

September 19:	CSK vs MI	(Dubai, 10:00 am
September 20:	KKR vs RCB	(Abu Dhabi, 10:00 am)
September 21:	PBKS vs RR	(Dubai, 10:00 am)
September 22:	DC vs SRH	(Dubai, 10:00 am)
September 23:	MI vs KKR	(Abu Dhabi, 10:00 am)
September 24:	RCB vs CSK	(Sharjah, 10:00 am)
September 25:	DC vs RR	(Abu Dhabi, 6:00 am)
September 25:	SRH vs PBKS	(Sharjah, 10:00 am)
September 26:	CSK vs KKR	(Abu Dhabi, 6:00 am);
September 26:	RCB vs MI	(Dubai, 10:00 am)
September 27:	SRH vs RR	(Dubai, 10:00 am)
September 28:	KKR vs DC	(Sharjah, 6:00 am);
September 28:	MI vs PBKS	(Abu Dhabi, 10:00 am)
September 29:	RR vs RCB	(Dubai, 10:00 am)
September 30:	SRH vs CSK	(Sharjah, 10:00 am)
October 1 :	KKR vs PBKS	(Dubai, 10:00 am)
October 2:	MI vs DC	(Sharjah, 6:00 am)
October 2:	RR vs CSK	(Abu Dhabi, 10:00 am)
October 3:	RCB vs PBKS	(Sharjah, 6:00 am)
October 3:	KKR vs SRH	(Dubai, 10:00 am)
October 4:	DC vs CSK	(Dubai, 10:00 am)
October 5:	RR vs MI	(Sharjah, 10:00 am)
October 6:	RCB vs SRH	(Abu Dhabi, 10:00 am)
October 7:	CSK vs PBKS	(Dubai, 6:00 am)
October 7:	KKR vs RR	(Sharjah, 10:00 am)
October 8:	SRH vs MI	(Abu Dhabi, 6:00 am)
October 8:	RCB vs DC	(Dubai, 10:00 am)
October 10:	Qualifier 1	(Dubai, 10:00 am)
October 11:	Eliminator	(Sharjah, 10:00 am)
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