





TV PICKS

**New Zealand v England:** 3rd T20I, 55 Select 1 (SD & HD), 6.30 a.m.  
**NBA:** Sony Six (SD & HD), 9 a.m.  
**Australia v Pakistan:** 2nd T20I, Sony Six (SD & HD), 1.30 p.m.  
**UEFA Champions League:** Sony Ten 2 & ESPN (SD & HD), 11.30 p.m.; Sony Ten1,2,3, Six & ESPN (SD & HD), 1.30 a.m. (Wednesday)

IN BRIEF



**Luka Doncic logs in another triple-double**  
CLEVELAND  
Luka Doncic recorded his second consecutive triple-double as the Dallas Mavericks defeated the Cleveland Cavaliers 131-111 at the Quicken Loans Arena on Monday. The 20-year old is the youngest player in NBA history to have back to back 25-point triple doubles and it was the 11th triple double of his burgeoning career.  
**The results:** Pacers bt Bulls 108-95, Knicks lost to Kings 92-113, Heat bt Rockets 129-100, Spurs lost to Lakers 96-103, Cavaliers lost to Mavericks 111-131, Clippers bt Jazz 105-94.



**Bayern Munich sacks coach Niko Kovac**  
BERLIN  
Bayern Munich on Sunday sacked coach Niko Kovac, a day after the German champion suffered a historic 5-1 loss against Eintracht Frankfurt – its worst Bundesliga defeat in a decade. Assistant coach Hansi Flick will take charge of the team “until further notice”, said a statement. AFP



**Todd wins in Bermuda with birdie blitz**  
LOS ANGELES  
Brendon Todd fired a nine-under-par final round of 62 to win the PGA Tour’s inaugural Bermuda Championship on Sunday. The 34-year-old reeled off seven consecutive birdies during a remarkable display on the front nine to finish ahead of overnight leader Harry Higgs. AFP

Have worked on my power & reach: Panghal

BOXING

**ANANT KAUR**  
NEW DELHI  
Amit Panghal is diminutive in stature but big in strength and power. Recently-promoted to the rank of Subedar, the army man believes the silver medal at the World Championship in September motivates him to dream big for the forthcoming Asia Oceania Olympic qualifiers in Wuhan, China in February. “I have worked on a lot of punches in my game,” Pangal told *The Hindu*.  
“I have definitely improved a lot in my weight (52 kg) category. In the final bout (against Uzbekistan’s Shakhobidin Zoirov, the reigning Olympic champion) I lacked power and since then I have worked on my power and reach. Earlier my attack was only of one or two punches. My game was about defence first and then counter, more of single punches,” said Panghal.  
Panghal always studies his opponent’s game and then decides on the course to adopt. “In the first round I always observe my opponents’ playing style. Me and

All-round show gives India-B the title

Kedar Jadhav and Shahbaz Nadeem’s exploits highlight the facile win over India-C

DEODHAR TROPHY

**Y.B. SARANGI**  
RANCHI  
Kedar Jadhav’s responsible 86 and Shahbaz Nadeem’s crucial four-wicket haul were significant contributions in the well-rounded performance of India-B, which beat India-C by 51 runs to win the Deodhar Trophy at the JSCA Stadium here on Monday.  
Opting to bat in the final, India-B overcame a slow start to post 283 for seven and then restricted India-C for 232 for nine.

**Porel strikes**  
On a pitch offering good bounce and movement, medium pacer Ishan Porel bowled beautifully to hand India-C an early advantage. He had Ruturaj Gaikwad with a perfect outswinger and the rival skipper Parthiv Patel, who had promoted himself and had escaped on three, with a delivery that found the southpaw’s outside edge. India-B was struggling at 28 for two in nine overs.  
Yashasvi Jaiswal, reprieved on 10, stitched together 45 runs with B. Aparajith (13) before the latter was trapped in front by Jalaj Saxena.



Champion: The triumphant India-B team with the Deodhar Trophy •SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Jaiswal (54, 79b, 5x4, 1x6) flourished to play some delectable shots to get his second half-century. He perished due to his rush of blood, hoisting Axar Patel to Porel at deep midwicket.

**Good stands**  
At 92 for four in the 25th over, India-B was in the danger of losing its grip. However, Jadhav stood firm in three important partnerships – worth 79, 74 and 31 with Nitish Rana (20), Vijay Shankar (45) and K. Gowtham (35 n.o.) respectively – to turn the script around.  
Even while using his excel-

lent judgement to rotate the strike, Jadhav played some good-looking strokes, predominantly off Mayank Markande on the leg side, in his 94-ball knock containing four fours and as many sixes.

As Vijay and Gowtham switched gear in the death, Jadhav provided support until the final over. Gowtham was severe on Pathania, who spilled two catches off his own bowling and conceded 31 in his last over, during his blitzkrieg which gave his side a distinct advantage.

Porel scalped Rana, Vijay and Jadhav for his second fiver (five for 43).

India-C faltered in its reply, losing captain Shubman Gill to Mohammed Siraj in the second over. Ten overs later, Nadeem removed a well-set Mayank Agarwal (28).

Soon, Virat Singh was run out and Suryakumar Yadav and Dinesh Karthik fell to Nadeem’s disciplined bowling as India-C reeled at 77 for five. The efforts of Priyam Garg (74), Axar (38), Saxena (37) and Markande (27) were in vain.  
**The scores:**  
**India-B:** Ruturaj Gaikwad c Suryakumar b Porel 0 (6b), Parthiv Patel c Karthik b Porel 14 (20b, 1x4), Yashasvi Jaiswal c

Porel b Axar 54 (79b, 5x4, 1x6), B. Aparajith lbw b Jalaj 13 (30b, 1x4), Kedar Jadhav c Shubman b Porel 86 (94b, 4x4, 4x6), Nitish Rana c Karthik b Porel 20 (28b, 1x4), Vijay Shankar c Axar b Porel 45 (33b, 4x4, 2x6), K. Gowtham (not out) 35 (10b, 3x4, 3x6), Rush Kalaria (not out) 0 (1b); Extras (b-4, lb-3, nb-1, w-8): 16; Total (for seven wkts. in 50 overs): 283.

**Fall of wickets:** 1-1, 2-28, 3-73, 4-92, 5-171, 6-145, 7-276.

**India-C bowling:** Porel 10-0-43-5, Pathania 10-0-79-0, Jalaj 10-0-42-1, Axar 10-0-33-1, Markande 10-0-79-0.

**India-C:** Mayank Agarwal c Gowtham b Nadeem 28 (31b, 3x4), Shubman Gill c Jaiswal b Siraj 1 (7b), Priyam Garg b Siraj 74 (77b, 8x4, 1x6), Virat Singh run out 6 (7b, 1x4), Suryakumar Yadav b Nadeem 3 (7b), Dinesh Karthik lbw b Nadeem 3 (10b), Axar Patel run out 38 (49b, 3x4, 1x6), Jalaj Saxena (not out) 37 (65b, 1x4), Mayank Markande c Siraj b Nadeem 27 (35b, 3x4), Diwesh Pathania b Kalaria 6 (10b), Ishan Porel (not out) 5 (2b, 1x4); Extras (lb-2,w-2): 4; Total (for nine wkts. in 50 overs): 232.

**Fall of wickets:** 1-2, 2-56, 3-64, 4-71, 5-77, 6-140, 7-165, 8-212, 9-223.

**India-B bowling:** Kalaria 10-0-56-1, Siraj 10-1-43-2, Rana 10-0-45-0, Nadeem 10-1-32-4, Gowtham 10-0-54-0.

**Toss:** India-B.  
*India-B won by 51 runs.*

Harsimran selected for Australia NBA camp

**SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT**  
NEW DELHI

Harsimran Kaur has been selected for the NBA Global Academy basketball camp to be conducted from November 7 to 24, in Canberra, Australia. The 16-year-old was adjudged the MVP in the third NBA Academies women’s program held in Mumbai from October 2 to 5.

Harsimran has been a regular in the national team, and was one of the four girls who attended the Next Generation program at the NCAA women’s final in Tampa, US, in April this year. She had also participated in the Basketball Without Borders Asia in Tokyo.

Harsimran, who will practise with top Australian prospects under the guidance of coaches from the NBA Academy and Basketball Australia’s Centre of Excellence, said “the opportunity to train at the NBA Global Academy will not only identify and address the areas I need to work on, but also serve as a platform to showcase my skills.”

ITF shifts India-Pakistan tie to neutral venue

AITA names Rohit Rajpal as non-playing captain

DAVIS CUP

**PRESS TRUST OF INDIA**  
NEW DELHI

The International Tennis Federation on Monday decided to shift India’s Asia/Oceania Group I Davis Cup tie against Pakistan from Islamabad to a neutral venue, hours after Rohit Rajpal was named captain for the upcoming matches.  
The November 29-30 contest had already been rescheduled from September owing to security concerns raised by India due to the prevailing diplomatic tensions between the two nations after the revocation of Article 370.

**‘Safety first’**  
“The ITF and Davis Cup Committee’s first priority has always been the safety of athletes, officials and spectators and the decision was made on this basis,” said an ITF statement.

According to Davis Cup regulations, the Pakistan Tennis Federation (PTF) now has the choice to nominate a neutral venue and has five working days to confirm their proposed venue.

Earlier in the day, the All India Tennis Association (AITA), at its executive committee meeting in Chandigarh, named former India player and chairman of its selection panel Rohit Rajpal as the non-playing captain following pullouts by top players and captain Mahesh Bhupathi.

“Rohit will stay as captain of the side. He will talk to the top players if they are available.

“We were ready to send team to Pakistan too but it’s an excellent decision. We welcome it,” said AITA president Praveen Mahajan.

AITA sources added that Bhupathi, whose term had ended in December 2018, may not be considered for the job, for he refused National duty.

“It’s a huge responsibility and I am thankful to AITA for choosing me for such an important tie.

“The onus is on ITF and Pakistan government to ensure Indian contingent’s security,” Rajpal told PTI. “I am going to approach all the players who have made themselves unavailable and request them to reconsider their decision,” he added.

Documentary on Real Kashmir wins award

**SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT**  
NEW DELHI

BBC documentary *Real Kashmir F.C.* has won the ‘Single Documentary’ category at the British Academy Film and Television Arts (BAFTA) Awards Scotland.

The work documents the journey of former Rangers ace David Robertson as the head coach of Real Kashmir FC and its success story in the I-League 2nd division in 2017-18.

Real Kashmir FC co-found

der Sandeep Chattoo said, “Our dream, which started as a small team of Kashmiri youth, playing football as a hobby, soon became one of the biggest and the most successful dream runs by any team.

“We won the 2nd division on debut and finished 3rd in the 1st division I-League.

“This award is a tribute to each and every person who has contributed to making this club what it is today.”

BFC’s Cuadrat appeals for improved refereeing

**SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT**  
JAMSHEDPUR

Raising the standard of the players and coaches alone cannot help Indian football, the level of the referees has improve in equal measure to ensure the development of the game, said Carles Cuadrat, the coach of the reigning ISL champion Bengaluru FC.

“My premise is pretty simple. Like I am assessed

by my club on the kind of work I do with the team and in the same way the players are banished to the bench if they do not perform well, the referees should also be made accountable about their decisions,” Cuadrat said. “What shocks me is that I have not seen much of improvement in the standard of referring in the four years that I have been here in the country.”

ASIAN SHOOTING

**SPORTS BUREAU**  
DOHA  
There will be a lot of expectations on the strong Indian team to add to the nine Olympic quota places won so far as it will be the chance to book berths for the 2020 Tokyo Games when the

Asian shooting championships begins here on Tuesday.

Air rifle finals for men and women will be conducted on the opening day, apart from women’s air pistol finals.

India has won the maximum possible share of two Olympic quota each in women’s air rifle and air pistol.

In men’s air rifle, India can win one more Olympic quota. There will also be mixed trap junior event on the first day. The preliminary rounds will be shot in men’s and women’s trap, apart from the first stage in men’s 25m rapid fire pistol. India has been anxiously seeking to secure Olympic quota in these three

events and thus it should be interesting to see how well the shooters place themselves on the first day to stay in the race for final berths.

Having topped the medals table in all the four World Cups this season in rifle and pistol, the Indians will be keen to close the season a bright note.



Amit Panghal •ANANT KAUR

my coaching staff make the strategy accordingly and play on those lines. I wait for my opponent to play his game,” said the 2018 Asian Games gold medalist in 49 kg.  
On his training in recent times, Pangal said, “I have added multiple punches to my game because points can be earned by attacking continuously. I have been sparring with tall boxers one weight category higher to test my reach and power,” Panghal added.  
The 24-year-old praised all his coaches and especially the training regimen of the foreign coach Santiago Nieva. Panghal claimed his regimen was unique.  
“Earlier we used to work on one thing once in a week and on the contrary now we repeat that one single technique the whole week in every training session.”



# Chinese import expo sets to inject fresh momentum into open world economy

by Li Laifang, Xu Ruiqing, Zhou Rui

As China's key move to actively open its market, the second China International Import Expo (CIIE) is set to inject fresh momentum into an open world economy.

This year's CIIE scheduled from Nov. 5 to 10 sees a rising number of participating companies, new products and cutting-edge technologies as well as the expanding space for exhibitions.

Official data show the import-themed fair this year will attract more than 250 of the world's top 500 or leading companies, showing the fair's growing influence. The exhibition area will rise to 360,000 square meters, up by 60,000 square meters from last year.

"Set up by China and shared by the world, the CIIE injects vitality and confidence into the building of an open world economy," China's Commerce Minister Zhong Shan said.

## WIDER OPENING-UP

Mohammad Nurus Safa, a Bangladeshi businessman, will soon have his second group of commodities shipped to Shanghai for the CIIE.

"This year we will bring unique local embroidery products to the expo, so that more Bangladeshi people can share development opportunities brought by the 'China express train'," said Safa, founder of Dada Bangla Limited.

Safa's company is one of the 3,000 enterprises from about 150 countries and regions having signed up for this year's expo.

Regarding the CIIE as a great platform to reach customers of every description, Fabrice Megarbane, CEO of L'Oreal China, said the company will exhibit 11 brands in the new high-end section of the consumer goods



BEIJING, Aug. 26, 2019 (Xinhua) -- Aerial photo taken on April 11, 2019 shows a container wharf at Qinzhou port in south China's Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region. (Xinhua/Cao Yiming)

exhibition area.

"In addition to the opportunities brought by the import expo itself, China's constantly enhanced business environment has also impressed us," said Anna E, public affairs director of Mars China.

China's new opening-up policies this year have provided greater impetus for foreign companies to increase investment in the world's second-largest economy.

On July 30, China put into force revised negative lists for foreign investment market

access, introducing greater opening-up in such sectors as services, manufacturing and mining, and allowing foreign investors to run majority-share-controlling or wholly-owned businesses in more sectors.

In August, China announced a master plan for new pilot free trade zones (FTZs) in six provincial-level regions, bringing the total number of its pilot FTZs to 18. The FTZs will test new styles of foreign investment management, trade facilitation and transformation of government functions to better integrate the economy with international practices.

The import expo not only boosts the import of goods and services, but also promotes the upgrading of foreign investment through the pull of trade and the market, said Min Shilin, executive deputy director of the Administration Committee of Shanghai Hongqiao Central Business District. A bonded logistics center in the Hongqiao CBD was launched in September to offer one-stop trading services to support the CIIE.

## MORE FRUITFUL ACHIEVEMENTS

The first import expo in Shanghai last November accelerated the entry of foreign brands into more inland regions in China, especially the country's third- to fifth-tier towns and cities, highlighting the potential of the huge Chinese market. more inland regions in China, especially the country's third- to fifth-tier towns and cities, highlighting the potential of the huge Chinese market.

At the first CIIE, Safa's company exhibited a

variety of local jute handicrafts, such as carpets, baskets and bags. The products, many of which were made by impoverished women in Bangladesh, attracted attention of visitors and buyers.

"The CIIE opportunities are contributing to global poverty reduction efforts," Safa said.

Thanks to the first CIIE, these Bangladeshi handicrafts are now sold at a high-end department store in Shanghai.

Three months after the first CIIE, milk pro-

ducts of a New Zealand brand showcased at the expo appeared in a county supermarket in northwest China's Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region. In a bonded trading center in southwestern Chongqing Municipality, foreign commodities such as Russian ice cream, Georgian wine and Kenyan decorations have become a hit among local consumers.

The first CIIE has drawn more than 3,600 enterprises from 172 countries, regions and international organizations, attracting more than 400,000 domestic and overseas purchasers.

Deals for intended one-year purchases of goods and services worth a total of 57.83 billion U.S. dollars were reached in the six-day event. Many of the goods were imported via the China-Europe freight rail service network, which has pushed forward China's opening-up and boosted trade cooperation with overseas markets.

The facilitated import policies, such as reduced import tariffs and simplified customs clearance process, also make foreign brands reach the Chinese market faster. A batch of fresh milk leaving a New Zealand farm on Monday can reach Chinese dinner tables as soon as Wednesday. Food traders are preparing to import more fresh and frozen food to the Chinese consumers.

"The first CIIE reinforced our confidence in China's business environment policies and enabled us to see the country's continuously growing domestic market demand," said Megarbane.

"The second CIIE will build a platform for the launch and display of new products and technologies. It demonstrates China's determination and confidence to implement free trade, and will further improve people's living quality and promote domestic consumption," said Sun Chenghai, vice director of CIIE Bureau.



SHANGHAI, Nov. 9, 2018 (Xinhua) -- Visitors enter the venue of the first China International Import Expo (CIIE) in Shanghai, east China, Nov. 9, 2018. The CIIE is opened to group visitors from Nov. 9 to Nov. 10. (Xinhua/Xing Guangli)



SHANGHAI, Nov. 8, 2018 (Xinhua) -- Visitors walk past the showcase at the Trade in Services area of the first China International Import Expo (CIIE) in Shanghai, east China, Nov. 5, 2018. (Xinhua/Fang Zhe)

# China to attract foreign investment with better business environment



SHANGHAI, Nov. 8, 2018 (Xinhua) -- The booth of Bangladesh is seen at the first China International Import Expo (CIIE) in Shanghai, east China, Nov. 7, 2018. (Xinhua/Chen Fei)

China will introduce more measures and foster a more enabling business environment to facilitate foreign investment, according to a State Council executive meeting held ahead of the second China International Import Expo.

The meeting decided that restrictive measures outside the national and pilot free trade zones negative lists concerning foreign investors' market access will be scrapped.

Restrictions on the business scopes of foreign-invested banks, securities companies and fund management firms are

already established in China will be fully lifted.

The newly revised administrative regulations on foreign-invested banks and insurance companies will be fully implemented. Policies on foreign investment in the auto industry will be refined, including equal treatment in market access for both domestic and foreign-invested new energy vehicles made in China.

China will also further facilitate investment. The pilot reform to promote the payments of revenues under capital



SHANGHAI, Nov. 9, 2018 (Xinhua) -- Visitors Chen Fei (L) and Weng Jingyi pose for photos in front of the venue of the first China International Import Expo (CIIE) in Shanghai, east China, Nov. 9, 2018. The CIIE is opened to group visitors from Nov. 9 to Nov. 10. (Xinhua/Li Xin)

accounts will be introduced in more places.

Foreign-invested companies will be supported in independently choosing the models of borrowing from foreign lenders, and will be encouraged to use their capital funds for equity investment in China. For foreign-invested projects, the preliminary reviews of site selection and land use will be consolidated, and the permitting



BEIJING, Sept. 30, 2019 (Xinhua) -- People look at a new China-Europe freight train from Chengdu to Vienna at the Vienna South Freight Center in Vienna, Austria, on April 27, 2018. (Xinhua/Pan Xu)



SHANGHAI, Nov. 7, 2018 (Xinhua) -- A visitor learns about cereal products at a booth of a Russian company during the first China International Import Expo (CIIE) in Shanghai, east China, Nov. 6, 2018. Various foods from all over the world are exhibited in the CIIE. (Xinhua/Meng Dingbo)

requirements for the planning and use of construction land will also be combined.

Forced transfer of technology, including those in disguised forms, is not allowed. Trade secrets will be protected in accordance with the law. The notification-removal rule concerning patent infringement at e-commerce platforms will be improved.

In government procurement, there should be no restrictions based on the ownership type of suppliers, nationality of investors, or the brands of products

and services. Local governments will be supported in intensifying efforts to attract foreign investment. Central and western parts of China will be prioritized in setting up new comprehensive bonded zones.

Figures released in September by the Ministry of Commerce show that in the first eight months of this year, another 27,704 foreign-invested businesses were established in China. Utilized foreign capital exceeded 600 billion yuan (about 84.81 billion U.S. dollars), up by 6.9 percent year on year.