

Karnataka beat UP; Abhimanyu Mithun claims hat-trick on debut

Medium pacer Abhimanyu Mithun made a sensational start to his first-class career, claiming a hat-trick and finishing with 11 wickets to power Karnataka to a 185-run victory over Uttar Pradesh on the final day of the Ranji Trophy Super League here Friday.

The hosts, chasing a victory target of 438 runs, were bowled out for 252 with Mithun taking five for 85.

The 20-year-old emulated Javagal Srinath's feat of taking a hat-trick on first-class debut. Srinath had achieved the feat 10 years ago.

Mithun dismissed Piyush Chawla, Amir Khan and R.P Singh for his hat-trick.

The medium pacer claimed a match haul of 11 wickets, having taken six for 86 from the first innings.

Another debutant Manish Pandey, who came to limelight when he became the first Indian player to hit a century in Indian Premier League, had struck 194 in Karnataka's first innings total of 405.

Karnataka pocketed five points from their first match.

At Vadodara, Azhar Bilakhia's produced a match-saving knock of 91 to deny Delhi an outright victory in against Baroda.

Delhi, which piled up 591 in the first innings, enforced the follow on after bowling out Baroda for 326 with medium-pacer Sumit Narwal claiming five wickets.

But Bilakhia in the company of Rakesh Solanki (69 not out) stayed firm in the second innings and Baroda finished at 233 for four.

Delhi will have be satisfied with three points on account of their first innings lead.

At Pune, Bengal defeated Maharashtra by seven wickets and collected five points.

Bengal bowled out Maharashtra for 319 in the second innings with Ranadeb Bose (5-57) and Saurasish Lahiri (4-87) wrecking the visitors batting line-up.

Bengal were left to score 174 runs for victory which they made with three wickets in 54.2 overs.

Deep Dasgupta (54) and Wriddhiman Saha (59), Manoj Tiwari (35 not out) knocked off the runs for Bengal.

At Ahmedabad, Gujarat defeated Orissa by 159 runs. Orissa, chasing 380 runs for victory, were all out for 220. Mehul Patel (3-21) and Salil Yadav (3-52) were the wicket-takers.

Brief scores:

Karnataka vs. Uttar Pradesh: Karnataka 405 and 311/5 declared against Uttar Pradesh 279 and 252

(Mohammad Kaif 54, Bhuvneshwar Kumar 63; Abhimanyu Mithun 5-95, Sunil Joshi 2-16).

Delhi vs. Baroda: Delhi 591 against Baroda 326 (Jacob Martin 44, Rakesh Solanki 55 and Pinal Shah 63, Rajesh Pawar 45; Sumit Narwal 5-71, Parvinder Awana 2-70) and 233/4 (Azhar Bilakhia 91, Satyajit Parab 39, Rakesh Solanki 69 not out; Pradeep Sangwan 2-42)

Maharashtra vs. Bengal: Maharashtra 179 and 319 (Harshad Khadiwal 114, Rohit Motwani 67; Saurashish Lahiri 4-87, Ranadeb Bose 5-57) against Bengal 325 and 175/3 (Deep Dasgupta 54, Wriddhiman Saha 59, Manoj Tiwari 35 not out; Sajin Sureshnath 2-38).

Gujarat vs. Orissa: Gujarat 270 and 301/6 declared (Niraj Patel 107 and Parthiv Patel 76 not out and Bhavik Thaker 52; Paresh Patel 2-64) against Orissa 192 and 220 (Pravanjan Mullick 40, Rakesh Mohanty 71 not out, Subhrajit Sahoo 39, Mehul Patel 3-21, Salil Yadav 3-52, Rujul Bhatt 2-44).

Hyderabad vs. Himachal Pradesh: [Hyderabad](#) 328 and 189 (Tirumalasetti Suman 46, Ambati Rayudu 42; Mohinderraj Sharma 1-46, Ashok Thakur 5-22) against Himachal Pradesh 350 and 136/8 (Bhavin Thakkar 55, Sangram Singh 27; Pragyanshu Ojha 5-52).

Punjab vs. Mumbai: Punjab 259 and 311/7 (Ravi Inder Singh 58, Uday Kaul 62, Pankaj Dharmani 46, Gaurav Gambhir 50 not out; Zaheer Khan 3-92, Abhishek Nayar 2-63) against [Mumbai](#) 471/9 declared.

Railways vs. Tamil Nadu: Railways 327 and 178/2 (V Cheluvraj 61 not out, T.P. Singh 63 not out; Laxmipathy Balaji 1-4) against Tamil Nadu 337 (Murali Vijay 65, Subramaniam Badrinath 111; Murali Kartik 4-100, Shailender Gehlot 3-70).

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