

Sanaa makes second round of ITF women's tennis

Sanaa Bhambri provided the silver lining to a rainy day by outplaying Indo-Japanese player Anastasia Malhotra 6-3, 6-4 to enter the second round of the \$50,000 NECC-ITF Women's Tennis championships here Monday.

In other first round singles played, second seeded and 119th ranked Masa Zec-Peskiric and sixth seeded and 237th ranked Rika Fujiwara of Japan also scored one-sided wins.

Zec-Peskiric outserted Hae-Sung Kim of Korea 6-3, 6-4, while Fujiwara ousted junior compatriot Miki Miyamura 6-2, 6-1.

Two Indians Rishika Sunkara and Shivika Burman along with Israeli Chen Astrogo and Serbian Tamara Curovic also qualified for the main draw.

The results (final round, Qualifying): Rishika Sunkara bt Adnya Naik 7-6(5),6-2; Chen Astrogo (ISR) bt Sheethal Goutham 6-2,6-4; Shivika Burman bt Shweta Rana 6-4,6-1; Tamara Curovic (SRB) bt Shweta Kumari Solanki 6-0,6-0.

First Round (main draw): Rika Fujiwara (Jpn) bt Miki Miyamura (Jpn) 6-2,6-1; Sanaa Bhambri (Ind) bt Anastasia Malhotra (Jpn) 6-0,6-4; Masa Zec- Peskiric bt Kim Hae -Sung (Kor) 6-3,6-4.

Doubles (first round): Nina Bratchikova(Rus) / Ksenia Palkina (Kgz) bt Kim Hae- Sung (Kor) / Piven Banna (Ukr) 6-3,6-4; Keran Shlomo (Isr) / Poojashree Venkatesha (Ind) bt Ashvarya Shrivastava / Rashmi Teltumbde (Ind) 6-2,6-4; Noppawan Lertcheewakarn / Varatchaya Wongteanchai (Tha) bt Tamara Curovic (Srb) / Dalila Jakupovic (Slo) 7-6(1),6-2; Shweta Solanki / Rushika Sunkara (ind) bt Treta Bhattacharyya /Shivika burman (Ind) 7-5,6-4; Chen Astrogo (Isr) / Bojana Jovanovski (Srb) bt Shihi Hisamatsu / Miki Miyamura (Ind) 6-0,6-1.

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