

India Expands Mega-Event Push As IOA Expresses Interest In Hosting 2038 Asian Games

A report claims that India has written to the Olympic Council of Asia with regards to interest in hosting the Asian Games in 2038.



After securing the hosting rights for the 2030 Commonwealth Games and submitting a bid for the 2036 Olympics, India has now reportedly expressed interest in hosting the 2038 Asian Games.

pressed interest in hosting the 2038 Asian Games. According to a report in The Indian Express, the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) has written to the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) expressing its intent to host the Asian Games. The proposal was also discussed during the OCA's governing body meeting in China on Thursday. The report further stated that an OCA delegation will visit India to evaluate the bid. "We are interested in bringing the Asian Games to India. We are in touch with the OCA and have written to them expressing our interest. We will be in dialogue with the OCA," IOA CEO Raghuram Iyer was quoted as saying by the publication. The venues for the next three editions of the Asian Games

ARSENAL SOUND OUT REAL MADRID STAR AHEAD OF BOLD SUMMER SWOOP

Arsenal target Arda Guler as they contact his representatives for a summer move from Real Madrid, amidst Chelsea interest.

Arsenal has made contact with Real Madrid's Arda Guler's representatives as they are plotting an ambitious summer move for the footballer, according to a report in Caught Offside. Mikel Arteta is keen to bring Guler to Emirates Stadium this summer as part of his team rebuild. As per the report, Arsenal have reached out to Guler's representatives to explore a potential move from Real Madrid. The club views him as a perfect fit after his standout season in Spain. Guler has registered seven goals and 16 assists in 50 appearances across all competitions. He is starting to establish himself in the starting XI at Santiago Bernabéu Stadium, while the club's managerial situation could influence his decision this summer. "Arsenal have been in touch with those close to Arda Guler to see if there is any scope for discussing a transfer this

summer. At the moment, he isn't giving the green light," Mark Brus, who reported the interest, said. But the report adds that Arsenal face a hard challenge, with Guler not considering a move away from Real Madrid. Meanwhile, Chelsea are monitoring his situation as they continue their push to recruit high-potential young talent. Meanwhile, the development has come as a major shock to Guler, Real Madrid and the entire country with the attacking star, seen as key to Turkey's hopes for the upcoming FIFA World Cup, suffering a serious hamstring injury. Real Madrid have confirmed the injury in an official statement and while no recovery timeline has been provided, Guler's season appears all but over. Los Blancos have little left to play for, having been knocked out by Bayern Munich in the UEFA Champions League quarter-finals, stunned by second-tier Al-



Arda Guler in the Copa del Rey last 16 and now trailing leaders Barcelona by nine points with just six La Liga games remaining.

New Low For Mumbai Indians! First Time In 19 Years MI Lose 3 IPL Matches In...

Mumbai Indians faced Chennai Super Kings in their seventh match of the ongoing IPL 2026 season on Thursday, April 23, at Wankhede Stadium in Mumbai and suffered a humiliating defeat by 103 runs. In reply to CSK's total of 207 for 6, the Hardik Pandya-led side could only manage to score 104 runs for the loss of all 10 wickets in 19 overs. Star Indian wicketkeeper-batter Sanju Samson scored an unbeaten century (101 from 54 balls) for the Men in Yellow, and West Indies spinner Akeal Hosen picked up 4 wickets for 17 runs in four overs. The defeat against CSK in front of home fans is MI's third defeat in a row at Wankhede Stadium in IPL 2026. This is the first time in 19 years of IPL that Mumbai Indians have lost three consecutive matches in a single IPL season at Wankhede Stadium in Mumbai.

Lionel Messi Draws A Blank As Luis Suarez Helps Inter Miami Edge Real Salt Lake In MLS

Luis Suarez opened his account for the season as Inter Miami CF secured a late 2-0 win over Real Salt Lake in Major League Soccer (MLS) on Wednesday, while Lionel Messi endured a rare goalless outing. The match in Salt Lake City drew huge attention, with fans paying an average ticket price of more than \$450 to see Messi. The Argentine superstar played the full 90 minutes and was central to Miami's attacking play, creating several chances but



failing to beat goalkeeper Rafael Cabral. Despite dominating long spells of the game, Miami had to wait until the closing stages to break the deadlock. Rodrigo De Paul stepped up in the 82nd minute, unleashing a powerful strike following a corner that slipped past Cabral into the top-right corner. "I think we played a great first half," De Paul said after the match. "It was a beautiful goal, and as long as it helps the team, that's great," he added.

HARDIK PANDYA UNDER FIRE AS EX-CRICKETER ISSUES 'DO BETTER' REALITY CHECK



Former Indian cricketer Irfan Pathan has said that it was a wrong decision from Hardik Pandya and the Mumbai Indians leadership group to make Krish Bhagat bowl towards the end of the innings to a rampaging Sanju Samson, hinting that the game got away from MI's hands at that point. A team that looked formidable on paper, stacked with proven match-winners and India's T20 World

Cup-winning stars like Suryakumar Yadav, Jasprit Bumrah, Tilak Varma and Pandya, was tipped as a title contender before the season. But seven games in, MI find themselves in a must-win situation, battling to stay alive in the playoff race, with inconsistency and an inability to close out key moments leaving them on the back foot at a crucial stage. "You (Hardik Pandya) make Krish Bhagat, who is

playing his second match, bowl his first over in the 15th or 16th over against a set Sanju Samson. It was a wrong decision. You gave the last over to him, which was again not the right decision," Pathan said while speaking on his YouTube channel. Samson carried his bat with a superb unbeaten 101, while Akeal Hosen starred with 4/17 to power Chennai Super Kings to a commanding

'Doesn't Feel Good': Viktor Axelsen Already Suffering From Post-Retirement Blues?

Two-time Olympic gold medalist Viktor Axelsen is seemingly suffering from post-retirement blues, as he gets used to being called a former badminton player and not just 'badminton player', four days after he announced that he is hanging up his boots from professional

badminton. Axelsen, who won Olympic gold at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics and again at the Paris 2024 Olympics, underwent back surgery in April last year and admitted he has struggled to overcome his physical problems. Axelsen was in action in October and

had declared that he would draw an end to the season early and focus on 2026, but that was not to be. "Preparing to change my bio from "Badminton Player" to "Former Badminton Player" □ Doesn't feel good □," Axelsen tweeted on Sunday night.



LEGAL FOCUS / CRIME

HYDERABAD CP WARNS AGAINST WATCHING CRICKET WHILE DRIVING



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Hyderabad Commissioner of Police VC Sajjanar on Friday, April 24, warned commuters not to watch cricket while driving. As the Indian Premier League (IPL) continues, Sajjanar said, "In cricket, if a player gets out, they could opt for the Decision Review System. However, with Yamraj, there is no such thing as a 'Death Review System'! Don't lose "wicket" In a post on X, the commissioner urged people to drive safely and not to lose their "Wicket", adding that there is

no return if life is lost. "On the cricket field, if a wicket falls, the player simply heads back to the pavilion. But if you lose your 'wicket' on the road by driving recklessly, you will be heading upwards—permanently," he explained. The commissioner shared a video showing motorists checking scores and watching cricket while driving. He warned the public against checking match scores while driving and to prevent life from getting "bowled". Sajjanar said that the match may be important to a person, but for their families waiting at home they are important. "The match may be important to you... But for your family waiting for you back home, you are the only thing that truly matters." He reiterated that "it is fine to have a passion for cricket, but certainly not to the point of a dangerous obsession that costs you your life."

Hyderabad police returns lost 6 tola gold, cash to auto passenger in 1 hour

The incident occurred when the woman was heading from Narsingi to Birla Mandir.



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Hyderabad police recovered and returned 6 tolas of gold along with Rs 3,500 in cash

to a passenger within an hour after she accidentally left the valuables in an auto rickshaw while travelling to a temple on Friday, April 23. On Friday at 6:45 pm, a 43-year-old passenger, Sujatha R Hiremath, a native of Gulbarga, Karnataka, approached the Saifabad Police Station. She stated that the incident occurred while travelling from Narsingi to Birla Mandir in an Uber Auto. Police trace gold Based on the complaint,

Saifabad Station House Officer A Seethaiah constituted a team to verify the CCTV footage and trace the auto. Upon being contacted, the auto driver, K Nagesh, who is a resident of Chintal Basthi, Khairatabad, confirmed that the bag containing gold and cash was safe in the auto. Nagesh reported to the police station at 7:45 pm and handed over the items to the police. The SHO showed the jewellery to Sujatha for confirmation before handing it over to her,

4 HELD IN HYDERABAD AUTO THEFT CASE, 10 BIKES RECOVERED

In a major breakthrough, the Special Crime Team of CCS, DD Hyderabad along with Gandhinagar Police Station apprehended four persons involved in automobile thefts (two-wheeler theft). Acting on credible information on 23-04-2026, the

accused were traced at M.M Pahadi, Attapur. A total of 10 two-wheeler vehicles were recovered. The accused confessed to committing 10 thefts across multiple police station limits. The accused have been apprehended and investigation is ongoing. Ac-

cording to police, the accused were involved in automobile thefts (two-wheeler theft). The Special Crime Team collected intelligence through an informant source and developed complete information about the accused.

14 SAAL BAAD INSAAF KI JEET: FILM "INQUILAB" CASE MEIN SALMAN HYDER WA SAATHI BARI



Hyderabad: Taveel 14 saala qanooni jaddo-jehad ke baad aakhirkaar insaaf ki jeet hui. Nampally court ne maroof director Salman Hyder aur unke saathiyon ko ek mutanaza muqadme mein bari kar diya. Yeh muqadma taqreeban 14 saal pehle us waqt darj kiya gaya tha jab Hyderabad mein islaahi maqсад ke tahat "Inquilab" naam se ek Urdu film banayi gayi thi. Is film mein jadoo tona, amliyat aur tohmat ke khilaf awaaz uthate hue naam nihaad jaadugaron ka parda faash kiya gaya tha. Taham, is film ko baaz halqon ne mazhabi aqeede se

jod kar tanaza paida kar diya. Isi dauran Waheed Uddin Hyder Jafferi Akhbari ki janib se police mein shikayat darj karwai gayi, jis ke natije mein director Salman Hyder ko giraftar bhi kiya gaya tha aur film se mutaliq camera aur deegar samaan zabt kar liya gaya tha. Adalati karwai ke taveel silsile ke baad aaj Nampally court ne faisla sunate hue Salman Hyder aur deegar tamaam Saathi ko bari kar diya, jise insaaf ki badi kamyabi qarar diya ja raha hai. Is mauqe par ulema o danishwaron ne Salman Hyder aur

unke saathiyon ki gulposhi karte hue unhein mubarakbaad pesh ki aur is faisle ko haq o insaaf ki fatak qarar diya. Taham, sawal yeh bhi uth raha hai ke in 14 barson ke dauran jo zehni aziyat, maali nuqsan aur mushkilat pesh aayen, us ka zimmedar kaun hai? Mazed bar-a'n, police ki janib se zabt kiye gaye camera aur deegar aalaat kya isi haalat mein wapas kiye jayenge ya nahin, is par bhi tashweesh payi ja rahi hai. Qanooni maahireen ke mutabiq, bariyat ke baad mulzimeen ko yeh haq hasil hai ke woh zabt shuda samaan ki wapsi ke liye adalat se rujoon karein, aur agar samaan ko nuqsan pahuncha ho to us ke azaale ke liye bhi qanooni charaa joec ki ja sakti hai. Yeh faisla na sirf Salman Hyder aur unki team ke liye ek badi rahat hai balki takhleeqi azaadi aur islaahi koshishon ke hawale se bhi ek aham sang-e-meel tasawwur kiya ja raha hai.