

# Sports News (Oct 2024 to Mar (upto 15) 2025)

## I. ESPORTS

- **Global Esports Tour (GET) 2025**
  - Organized by **Skillhub Online Games Federation (SOGF)** and **Global Esports Federation (GEF)**
  - **Host City:** Mumbai
  - **Dates:** March 15–17, 2025
- **Global Esports Tournament (GET 2025)** also noted later as a major esports event in Mumbai.
- **Rural Cricket League**
  - First such league to be organized in **Bihar**

## II. CRICKET

### A. Major Tournaments & Team Achievements

- **ICC Champions Trophy 2025**
  - **Winner:** India (3rd Champions Trophy victory)
  - **Final:** India defeated New Zealand in Dubai under **Rohit Sharma's leadership**
  - **India's Overall ICC Titles: 7 trophies** (Champions Trophy wins in **2002** [shared with Sri Lanka under Sourav Ganguly], **2013** [under MS Dhoni], and **2025**)
  - **Individual Awards:**
    - **Player of the Match (Final): Rohit Sharma**
    - **Player of the Tournament: Rachin Ravindra** (New Zealand)
- **Captaincy Milestones:**
  - **Rohit Sharma** becomes the **second-most successful Indian captain** (his second ICC title after the 2024 T20 World Cup) and is the **first captain to lead in the final of all four major ICC events**
  - **MS Dhoni** remains the most successful with three ICC championships
- **ODI Records & Milestones:**
  - **Virat Kohli** becomes the **7th Indian** to play **300+ ODIs**
  - **Rohit Sharma** also becomes the fourth-highest ODI run-getter for India behind **Sachin Tendulkar, Virat Kohli, and Sourav Ganguly**
- **Retirements:**
  - **Steve Smith (Australia)** and **Mushfiqur Rahim (Bangladesh)** retire from ODI cricket
- **Domestic & Corporate Events:**
  - **Vidarbha** wins its **3rd Ranji Trophy Title (2024–25)**
    - **Final:** Vidarbha defeated Kerala; **Danish Malewar** named Man of the Match
    - **Background:** Ranji Trophy instituted by BCCI in **1934–35** in honor of **K.S. Ranjit Singhji**
  - **India Corporate T20 Bash (ICBT20)** launched in **Delhi** with **6 teams** and **Herschelle Gibbs** as Brand Ambassador

### B. Additional Milestones & Special Recognitions

- **Mohammed Shami:**
  - Becomes the fastest Indian bowler to reach **200 ODI wickets in 104 matches**
  - Ranked 2nd quickest globally after **Mitchell Starc** (comparison with **Ajit Agarkar**)
- **Virat Kohli:**
  - Also becomes the fastest batter to reach **14,000 ODI runs in 287 innings**

- **ICC Prize & Awards:**
  - Winners of the **2025 Champions Trophy** will receive **USD 2.24 million** in prize money
- **ICC Awards 2024:**
  - **Jasprit Bumrah** wins the “**Sir Garfield Sobers Award**” for ICC Men’s Cricketer of the Year (5th Indian recipient)
  - **Arshdeep Singh** named ICC Men’s T20I Cricketer of the Year
  - **Smriti Mandhana** wins ICC Women’s ODI Cricketer of the Year
  - **Amelia Kerr** and **Richard Illingworth** receive top honors in their categories
- **ICC Hall of Fame:** **Neetu David** inducted (2nd female Indian after **Diana Edulji**)
- **ICC Rankings Update:**
  - **Deepti Sharma** reaches career-best **No. 2** among Women’s ODI bowlers
  - **Kagiso Rabada (South Africa)** becomes the **No. 1 Test bowler**, replacing **Jasprit Bumrah**
- **Test & Series Results:**
  - **Indian Men’s Cricket Team** wins a Test series against **Bangladesh** (matches held in **Kanpur** and **Chennai**; key performers: **Ravichandran Ashwin** and **Yashasvi Jaiswal**)
  - **New Zealand** whitewashes India 3–0 in a Test series (matches in **Bengaluru**, **Pune**, and **Mumbai** under **Rohit Sharma**’s captaincy)
- **Special Milestones & Recognitions:**
  - **Ravindra Jadeja:** Achieves **3,000 Test runs and 300 wickets** (first Indian left-arm spinner to reach 300 Test wickets)
  - **Sachin Tendulkar:** Honored by the **Melbourne Cricket Club** with **Honorary Cricket Membership**
  - **Harshit Rana:** Becomes the first Indian to take **3+ wickets on debut in all formats**
  - **Corruption Ban:** Bangladesh spinner **Shohely Akhter** receives a **5-year ban** for match-fixing (first female cricketer banned under ICC Anti-Corruption Code)

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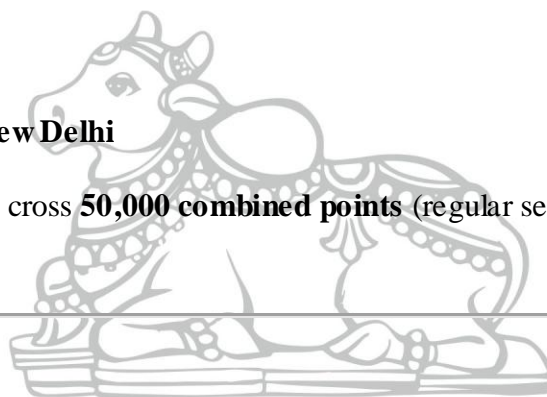
### III. BASKETBALL

- **SABA Women’s Championship 2025:**
  - **Winner:** India
  - **Final Score:** **107–32** win over the Maldives in **New Delhi**
- **NBA Milestone:**
  - **LeBron James** becomes the **first NBA player** to cross **50,000 combined points** (regular season + playoffs)

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### IV. KABADDI

- **Asian Women’s Kabaddi Championship 2025:**
  - **Winner:** India (defeated **Iran** in the final)
  - **Record:** India has now won **5 out of 6 editions**

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## **V. TENNIS**

### **A. ATP & WTA Tournaments**

- **Chile Open ATP 250 Men's Doubles 2025:**
  - **Champions:** Rithvik Bollipalli (India) & Nicolás Barrientos (Colombia)
- **Dubai Tennis Championships Doubles 2025:**
  - **Champions:** Yuki Bhambri (India) & Alexei Popyrin (Australia)
- **Australian Open 2025:**
  - **Men's Singles:** Jannik Sinner (Italy) wins his **2nd consecutive title** (later also winning his **3rd Grand Slam**)
  - **Women's Singles:** Madison Keys (USA) defeats Aryna Sabalenka (World No. 1)
  - **Men's Doubles:** Harri Heliövaara (Finland) & Henry Patten (UK)
  - **Women's Doubles:** Katerina Siniakova (Czechia) & Taylor Townsend (USA)
  - **Mixed Doubles:** Olivia Gadecki & John Peers (Australia)
- **Almaty Open ATP 250 2024 (Men's Doubles):**
  - **Champions:** Arjun Kadhe (India) & Rithvik Bollipalli (India)
  - **Men's Singles:** Karen Khachanov wins after defeating Gabriel Diallo
- **International Tennis Hall of Fame 2025:**
  - **Inductees:** Maria Sharapova, Bob Bryan, and Mike Bryan
  - **Induction Date:** August 23, 2025, in Newport, Rhode Island

### **B. Additional Tournaments & Records**

- **Jannik Sinner & Iga Swiatek (ITF World Champions 2024):**
  - **Iga Swiatek:** Wins French Open, 4 WTA 1000 titles, an Olympic bronze medal, and leads Poland to Billie Jean King Cup semis
  - **Jannik Sinner:** Ends 2024 at **No. 1** with a 73–6 record and later wins the **2025 Australian Open**
- **Coco Gauff:**
  - Wins the **2024 WTA China Open** by defeating Karolina Muchová
  - Noted as the **youngest champion in 14 years**
- **Carlos Alcaraz:**
  - Wins the **China Open 2024** by defeating **Jannik Sinner** in a marathon match (3 hrs 21 mins)

## **VI. TABLE TENNIS**

- **Achanta Sharath Kamal:**
  - Announces his **retirement**
  - **Honors:** Arjuna Award (2004), Padma Shri (2019), Major Dhyani Chand Khel Ratna (2022)
- **Senior National TT Championships 2025:**
  - **Men's Singles Champion:** Manush Shah (RBI) (defeated Payas Jain, 4–1)
  - **Women's Singles Champion:** Diya Chitale (RBI) (defeated Sreeja Akula, 4–3)
- **Waldner Cup 2024 (Table Tennis):**
  - **Winner:** Team Asia, led by Ma Long (defeated Team World in Oslo, Norway)



## **VII. FOOTBALL**

- **FIFA World Cup 2026 – Disqualifications:**
  - **Banned Countries:** Pakistan, Russia, and Congo
  - **Reasons:**
    - **Pakistan:** Administrative issues in the **Pakistan Football Federation (PFF)**
    - **Russia:** Geopolitical sanctions
    - **Congo:** Third-party interference
  - **Host Nations for 2026:** USA, Canada, and Mexico (48 teams to participate)
  - **FIFA Headquarters:** Zurich, Switzerland
  - **FIFA President:** Gianni Infantino
- **Sponsorship:**
  - **Lay's** becomes the official sponsor of the **FIFA World Cup 2026** and **FIFA Women's World Cup 2027**
  - **2026 Event:** To be held in **Canada, Mexico, USA**; **48 teams** participate
- **The Best FIFA Football Awards 2024:**
  - **Men's Player of the Year:** **Vinicius Junior** (Brazil, Real Madrid)
  - **Women's Player of the Year:** **Aitana Bonmatí** (Spain, FC Barcelona)
  - **Men's Coach of the Year:** **Carlo Ancelotti** (Real Madrid)
  - **FIFA Puskas Award:** **Alejandro Garnacho** (Manchester United)
  - **Best Goalkeepers:** **Emiliano Martinez** (Men's) and **Alyssa Naeher** (Women's)

## **VIII. CHESS**

- **World Junior Chess Champion 2025:**
  - **Winner:** **Pranav Venkatesh (India)** – India's **7th overall** World Junior Champion (Open & Girls combined)
  - Also clinches gold at the **World Junior Open 2025 (U20)** with an unbeaten **9/11** score
  - **Previous Champions:** Include **Viswanathan Anand (1987)**, **Koneru Humpy**, **Harika Dronavalli**, **Divya Deshmukh**, etc.
- **38th Cannes International Open 2025:**
  - **Winner:** **Indian GM Pa Inian** (defeated **V Pranesh** in the final)
- **Additional Chess Highlights:**
  - **Tata Steel Masters Titles:** **Rameshbabu Praggnanandhaa** won the title in **2024** and again in **2025** (defeating **D. Gukesh**)
  - **Online Blitz:** **Arjun Erigaisi** (World No. 4 in blitz) won the **Titled Tuesday Weekly Blitz**
  - **FIDE World Youth U-18 Open Rapid and Blitz:** **Pranav Venkatesh** wins gold in the Open Rapid category (9.5/11) while **Roman Pryh** wins gold in Blitz
  - **FIDE Women's World Rapid Championship:** **Koneru Humpy** clinches her **2nd World Title**, defeating **Irene Sukandar (Indonesia)**
  - **Youngest FIDE Chess Player:** **Anish Sarkar (Kolkata)** becomes the youngest-rated player at **3 years, 8 months, 19 days**
- **Additional Tournament:**
  - **ACO World Chess Championship 2024:** **FIDE Master Gurpreet Pal Singh (India)** wins gold in Crete, Greece
  - **Indian GM Inian Panneerselvam** wins the **9th Johor International Open Chess** by defeating Vietnamese GM **Nguyen Van Huy**
- **WR Chess Masters Cup 2024:**
  - **Winner:** **Arjun Erigaisi** (earned **€20,000** and significant rating points)

## IX. ATHLETICS

- **Record-Breaking Performances:**
  - **Krishna Jayasankar** breaks the **Indian Indoor Shot Put Record** with a throw of **16.03m**
  - **Jyothi Yarraji** sets a **National Record in 60m Indoor Hurdles** at the Elite Indoor Meeting 2025 in Nantes, France
- **38th National Games 2025 (Uttarakhand):**
  - **Venue:** Ganga Stadium, Dehradun
  - **Dates:** January 28 – February 14, 2025
  - **Medal Highlights:**
    - **Men's Events:**
      - **Animesh Kujur (Odisha):** Equalled the national record in 100m (10.28s)
      - **Sawan Barwal (Himachal Pradesh):** Won 10,000m in 28:49.93
      - **Yoonus Shah (SSCB):** 1500m in 3:46.48
      - **Shahnavaz Khan (Uttar Pradesh):** Long Jump (7.70m)
      - **Gagandeep Singh (SSCB):** Discus Throw (55.01m)
    - **Women's Events:**
      - **Sudeshna Shivankar (Maharashtra):** 100m in 11.76s
      - **Chanda KM (Delhi):** 1500m (4:17.74)
      - **Sanjivani Jadhav (Maharashtra):** 10,000m (33:33.47)
      - **Seema (Haryana):** Discus Throw (52.70m)
      - **Pavithra V (Tamil Nadu):** Pole Vault (3.95m)
  - **Medal Tally:**
    - **Services Sports Control Board (SSCB)** topped the tally
    - **Maharashtra** finished as runner-up
  - **Future Host:** Meghalaya will host the National Games 2027
- **Additional Athletics Achievements:**
  - **Gulveer Singh:** Breaks the national record in the men's 5000m (13:11.82) in **Niigata, Japan** (also holds India's 10,000m record of 27:41.81)
  - **New Delhi to Host 2025 Para Athletics World Championships:**
    - **Dates:** September 26 – October 5, 2025
    - **Venue:** Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium
    - **Note:** India finished 6th in the 2024 Championships in Kobe, Japan (17 medals, 6 gold)
    - **WPA Headquarters:** Bonn, Germany
  - **Neeraj Chopra:** Named "**Best Male Javelin Thrower in 2024**" by Track and Field News; topped global rankings in 2023 and 2024

## X. MULTI-SPORT EVENTS & INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS

### A. Major Multi-Sport Competitions

- **38th National Games 2025 (Uttarakhand):**
  - **Dates:** January 28 – February 14, 2025
  - **Venue:** Dehradun, across 12 cities; includes 38 sports and 4 demonstration events (mallakhamb, kalarippayattu, rafting, yogasana)
  - **Highlights:** Inaugurated by **PM Narendra Modi** with the torch "**Tejaswini**" presented by **Lakshya Sen**; theme "**Green Games**" with e-waste trophies and tree planting for each medal
  - **Medal Leaders:** SSCB (top), **Maharashtra** (runner-up), **Haryana** (third)

- **Khelo India Para Games 2025:**
  - **Dates:** March 20–27, 2025
  - **Location:** New Delhi
  - **Note:** Competitions held across three venues; **Haryana** topped the previous edition (2023)
- **Asian Winter Games (9th Edition) 2025:**
  - **Venue:** Harbin, China (February 7–14, 2025)
  - **Mascots:** Binbin (Ice Sports) and Nini (Snow Sports)
  - **Slogan:** “Dream of Winter, Love among Asia”
- **Badminton Asia Mixed Team Championships 2025:**
  - **Venue:** Qingdao, China
  - **Champion:** Indonesia (first-ever title)
  - **Runner-up:** China
- **Half Marathon World Record:**
  - **Winner:** Jacob Kiplimo (Uganda) – set a new record of **56:42** (previous record: 57:30 by Yomif Kejelcha at Barcelona Half Marathon)
- **Youth Cricket Competitions:**
  - **ICC U19 Women’s T20 World Cup 2025 Final:**
    - **Winner:** India (led by **Niki Prasad**) defeated South Africa at Bayuemas Oval, **Kuala Lumpur**
    - **Accolades:** **Gongadi Trisha** named both Player of the Tournament and Match
  - **ACC Women’s U19 Asia Cup 2024:**
    - **Winner:** India (title won in Malaysia, December 2024)
- **Davis Cup 2024:**
  - **Winner:** Italy defended their title by defeating the **Netherlands** on hard court in **Malaga, Spain**
  - **Note:** Italy becomes the 4th country to win both Davis Cup and Billie Jean Cup in the same year
- **U23 World Wrestling Championships 2024:**
  - **Location:** Tirana, Albania
  - **India’s Medal Count:** 9 medals (1 gold, 1 silver, 7 bronze)
  - **Highlight:** Gold in 57 kg men's event by **Chirag**

#### **B. International Competitions in Other Disciplines**

- **Asian Youth and Junior Weightlifting Championships 2024:**
  - **Location:** Doha, Qatar
  - **India’s Medal Tally:** 33 medals (7 gold, 16 silver, 10 bronze); Youth lifters secured all 7 golds
- **ISSF World Cup Final 2024:**
  - **Location:** New Delhi
  - **Indian Shooters’ Medals:**
    - **Silver:** **Vivaan Kapoor** (men’s skeet), **Sonam Maskar** (women’s 10m air rifle)
    - **Bronze:** **Anantjeet Singh Naruka** (trap), **Akhil Sheoran** (men’s 50m rifle 3 positions)
- **National Para-Swimming Championships:**
  - **Location:** Panaji, Goa
  - **Overall Winner:** Karnataka (392 points)
  - **Individual Champions:** **Mohammed Aasim** (Senior Men), **Ravi Karthik** (Junior Men), **Sharanya** (Senior Women)
- **Chicago Marathon 2024:**
  - **Women’s World Record:** **Ruth Chepngetich** – 2:09:56
  - **Men’s Winner:** **John Korir** – 2:02:44
- **New Delhi to Host 2025 Para Athletics World Championships** (see Athletics)
- **ISSF Junior World Championship 2024:**
  - **Location:** Lima, Peru
  - **India:** Dominated with 21 medals (13 gold, 2 silver, 6 bronze); key winners include **Divanshi** (25m pistol) and **Suraj Sharma**



## **XI. OTHER SPORTS & CHAMPIONSHIPS**

### **A. Field, Court & Racket Sports**

- **Hockey:**
  - **Men's Hockey India League 2024–25:**
    - **Champion:** Shrachi Rarh Bengal Tigers (defeated Hyderabad Toofans in the final at Birsa Munda International Hockey Stadium, Rourkela, Odisha on February 1, 2025)
    - **Awards:**
      - **Fairplay:** UP Rudras
      - **Best Goalkeeper:** Bikramjit Singh (Hyderabad Toofans)
      - **Top Scorer:** Jugraj Singh (Shrachi Rarh Bengal Tigers)
      - **Player of the Tournament:** Sukhjeet Singh
      - **Upcoming Player:** Arshdeep Singh (Hyderabad Toofans)
  - **Women's Hockey India League 2024–25:**
    - **Champion:** Odisha Warriors
  - **Women's Asian Champions Trophy 2024:**
    - **Venue:** Rajgir Hockey Stadium, Bihar
    - **Logo & Mascot:** Gudiya (inspired by Sparrow)
    - **Captain:** Salima Tete
- **Polo:**
  - **DGAR Men & Women Polo Championship 2025:**
    - **Men's Champion:** Manipur Police
    - **Women's Champion:** Assam Rifles
- **Snooker:**
  - **National Snooker Championship:**
    - **Winner:** Pankaj Advani (claimed his 36th National Gold and 10th Men's Crown by defeating Brijesh Damani)
- **Badminton:**
  - **India Open 2025 (Badminton):**
    - **Venue:** KD Jadhav Indoor Hall, New Delhi
    - **Men's Singles:** Viktor Axelsen (Denmark) defeated Lee Cheuk Yiu (Hong Kong)
    - **Women's Singles:** An Se-young (South Korea) defeated Pornpawee Chochuwong (Thailand)
    - **Men's Doubles:** Goh Sze Fei & Nu Izzuddin (Malaysia)
    - **Women's Doubles:** Arisa Igarashi & Ayaka Sakuramoto (Japan)
    - **Mixed Doubles:** Jiang Zhenbang & Wei Yaxin (China)
  - **National Badminton Championships 2024:**
    - **Men's Singles:** M Raghu (defeated Mithun Manjunath)
    - **Women's Singles:** Devika Sihag (defeated Shriyanshi Valishetty)
    - **Men's Doubles:** Sanskar Saraswat & Arsh Mohammad
    - **Women's Doubles:** Arathi Sara Sunil & Varshini VS
    - **Mixed Doubles:** Ayush Agarwal & Shruti Mishra
  - **King Cup International Badminton Open 2024 (Shenzhen, China):**
    - **Champion:** Anders Antonsen (Denmark); Lakshya Sen (India) finished 3rd
- **Table Tennis (Additional):**
  - **86th Senior National Table Tennis Championships 2025 (Surat, Gujarat):**
    - **Men's Singles:** Manush Shah (RBI) defeated Payas Jain (Delhi)
    - **Women's Singles:** Diya Chitale (RBI) beat Sreeja Akula (RBI)
- **Racquet Sports – Tennis (Additional):**
  - **Laver Cup 2024 (Berlin, Germany):** Team Europe defeated Team World; key player: Carlos Alcaraz (Spain)

- **International Tennis Hall of Fame 2025:** Inductees include **Maria Sharapova**, **Bob Bryan**, and **Mike Bryan**
- **Mixed Martial Arts:**
  - **Sangram Singh MMA Fight (Tbilisi, Georgia):**
    - **Winner:** Sangram Singh defeated **Ali Raza Nasir (Pakistan)**
    - **Note:** First Indian male wrestler to win an MMA fight
- **Pickleball:**
  - **PWR DUPR India Masters Pickleball Championship 2024:**
    - **Champion:** **Armaan Bhatia** (won 3 titles in men's singles, men's doubles with **Harsh Mehta**, and mixed doubles with **Roos van Reek**)

#### **B. Other Team & Club Competitions**

- **Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy 2024 (Cricket):**
  - **Winner:** Mumbai (led by **Shreyas Iyer**)
  - **Runner-up:** Madhya Pradesh
  - **Player of the Match:** **Suryansh Shedge**
  - **Player of the Tournament & Top Scorer:** **Ajinkya Rahane** (469 runs)
- **62nd Irani Cup:**
  - **Winner:** Mumbai defeated **Rest of India** at **Ekana Cricket Stadium, Lucknow**
  - **Player of the Match:** **Sarfraz Khan** (222 runs)
  - **Note:** Mumbai's first win in 27 years
- **Men's SAFF Under-17 Championship:**
  - **Winner:** India defeated **Bangladesh 2–0** at **Changlimithang Stadium, Thimphu, Bhutan**
  - **Player of the Tournament:** **Mohammed Arbash (India)**; **Goalkeeper:** **Aheibam Suraj Singh**
- **Indian Men's Cricket Test Series:**
  - **India** wins a Test series against **Bangladesh** (matches in **Kanpur** and **Chennai**; key performers: **Ravichandran Ashwin** and **Yashasvi Jaiswal**)
- **New Zealand Test Series:**
  - **New Zealand** whitewashes India **3–0** at home (matches in **Bengaluru**, **Pune**, and **Mumbai** under **Rohit Sharma's** captaincy)

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## **XII. ADDITIONAL RECOGNITIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Awards & Special Recognitions:**
  - **Jasprit Bumrah:** Named “**ICC Men's Player of the Month for December 2024**”
  - **Annabel Sutherland (Australia):** Named “**ICC Women's Player of the Month for December 2024**”
  - **ICC Headquarters:** **Dubai, UAE**; **Chairman:** **Jay Shah**; **CEO:** **Geoff Allardice**
  - **Lionel Messi:** Named “**2024 Landon Donovan MLS Most Valuable Player (MVP)**”
  - **Smriti Mandhana (India):** Scores the **Fastest Women's ODI Century in 70 balls** (breaking the previous 87-ball record by **Harmanpreet Kaur**)
  - **Novak Djokovic (Tennis):** Breaks the tie with **Roger Federer** for the **most Grand Slam matches played (430)**; women's record held by **Serena Williams (423)**
  - **Arjun Erigaisi (Chess):** Wins the online “**Titled Tuesday Weekly Blitz**”
  - **Kagiso Rabada:** Becomes the **No. 1 Test bowler**
  - **ICC Awards 2024:**
    - **Jasprit Bumrah**, **Arshdeep Singh**, **Smriti Mandhana**, **Amelia Kerr**, and **Richard**



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- **Ravindra Jadeja**: Reaches **3,000 Test runs** and **300 wickets**
- **Player Milestones in Cricket**:
  - **Harshit Rana**: First Indian to take **3+ wickets** on debut in all formats
- **Football**:
  - **Lay's Sponsorship** (see Football above)
- **Tennis & Table Tennis**:
  - **Jannik Sinner & Iga Swiatek** named **ITF World Champions for 2024**
  - **86th Senior National Table Tennis Championships 2025** winners as noted above
- **Other Notable Announcements**:
  - **Simona Halep (Tennis)**: Announces her **retirement** at age **33**
  - **Rani Rampal (Hockey)**: Announces her **retirement**; first Indian woman hockey player to have a stadium named after her, honored with **Khel Ratna** and **Padma Shri**
  - **Rajeev Mehta**: Becomes the **first Indian Secretary-General** of the **Fencing Confederation of Asia (FCA)** (HQ: **Dubai, UAE**; President: **Sheikh Salem Sultan AlQasimi**)
- **Champions & Records in Other Sports**:
  - **Mumbai** wins the **Senior Women's T20 Trophy** (cricket) – key players: **Jagravi Pawar** (Match) and **Humairaa Kaazi** (Series)
  - **New Zealand** whitewashes India in Test cricket
  - **Carlos Alcaraz** and **Coco Gauff** win major tennis titles as noted
  - **Gulveer Singh** breaks the national record in men's 5000m in **Niigata, Japan**
  - **Pankaj Advani** wins his **28th World Billiards Title** at the **IBSF Championship 2024** in **Doha, Qatar**

#### **XIV. EVENT HIGHLIGHTS & DETAILED RESULTS**

- **ITTF-Asian Table Tennis Championships 2024**:
  - **India** wins **3 bronze medals** (Women's Doubles: **Ayhika Mukherjee & Sutirtha Mukherjee**, Women's Team, Men's Team)
- **Kho Kho World Cup 2025**:
  - **Host**: India (first-ever edition)
- **ISSF World Cup Final 2024 (New Delhi)**:
  - **Medals for Indian Shooters**: Silver – **Vivaan Kapoor** (men's skeet), **Sonam Maskar** (women's 10m air rifle); Bronze – **Anantjeet Singh Naruka** (trap), **Akhil Sheoran** (men's 50m rifle 3 positions)
- **ICC Hall of Fame**:
  - **Neetu David** inducted (2nd female Indian cricketer)
- **Dipa Karmakar Retirement**:
  - Announces retirement; first Indian female gymnast in Rio 2016
- **ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2024 (Dubai)**:
  - **Outcome**: New Zealand defeated South Africa; **Amelia Kerr** named Player of Match & Tournament
  - **2026 Edition**: To be hosted by **England & Wales**
- **SAFF Women's Championship 2024 (Nepal)**:
  - **Highlight**: **Ngangom Bala Devi** scores her **50th international goal**
- **Archery World Cup Final 2024 (Tlaxcala, Mexico)**:
  - **Deepika Kumari** wins silver in women's recurve (gold won by **Li Jiaman, China**)
- **National Para-Swimming Championships (Panaji, Goa)**:
  - **Overall Winner**: **Karnataka**; Individual champions in various categories as noted
- **Chicago Marathon 2024**:
  - **Women's Winner**: **Ruth Chepngetich** (2:09:56)
  - **Men's Winner**: **John Korir** (2:02:44)

- **National Weightlifting Championships:**
  - **Harmanpreet Kaur** sets a national record in 76 kg (Senior)
  - **Anita Roy** wins gold in Bench Press (70 kg); first IPS officer to win Commonwealth Classic Bench Press gold
- **Zimbabwe T20 World Record:**
  - **Zimbabwe** scores **344-4** against **Gambia** (African sub-regional qualifier)
- **Jharkhand Election Brand Ambassador:**
  - **MS Dhoni** appointed under the **SWEEP** program to promote voter awareness
- **ACC Men's T20 Emerging Teams Asia Cup 2024 (Oman):**
  - **Result:** **Afghanistan A** defeated **Sri Lanka A**; key players: **Allah Mohammad Ghazanfar** (Match) and **Sediqullah Atal** (Series)
- **WTT Champions Montpellier 2024:**
  - **Manika Batra** reaches the quarterfinals (first Indian)
- **U23 World Wrestling Championships 2024 (Tirana, Albania):**
  - **India** wins 9 medals; **Chirag** secures gold in 57 kg men's
- **WR Chess Masters Cup 2024 (London):**
  - **Winner:** **Arjun Erigaisi**; earned €20,000 and 27.84 FIDE points
- **Japan Para Badminton International 2024:**
  - **India** wins 24 medals (6 gold, 9 silver, 9 bronze); gold medalists include **Sivarajan Solaimalai**, **Sukant Kadam**, and **Manisha Ramdass**
- **Sangram Singh MMA Fight (Tbilisi, Georgia):**
  - **Winner:** **Sangram Singh** defeated **Ali Raza Nasir** (Pakistan)
- **Laver Cup 2024 (Berlin):**
  - **Winner:** **Team Europe** defeated **Team World** (key: **Carlos Alcaraz**)
- **Khelo India Women's Taekwondo League (Vadodara, Gujarat):**
  - **Winner:** **Nazira Banoo** won gold in the under-30 category
- **Gulveer Singh's Record (Niigata, Japan):**
  - Broke the national record in men's 5000m (13:11.82) and holds the 10,000m national record
- **Lay's Sponsorship:**
  - Official sponsor for **FIFA World Cup 2026** & **FIFA Women's World Cup 2027**
- **Ravindra Jadeja's Achievement:**
  - First Indian left-arm spinner to reach **3,000 runs & 300 wickets** in Test cricket
- **Asia Pacific Padel Cup (Bali, Indonesia):**
  - **India** wins bronze by defeating **Malaysia**; gold: **Indonesia**; silver: **Philippines**; Coach: **Victor Perez**
- **Carlos Alcaraz Wins China Open 2024 (Beijing):**
  - Defeated **Jannik Sinner** in the longest ATP 500 match (3 hrs 21 mins)
- **India Dominates ISSF Junior World Championship 2024 (Lima, Peru):**
  - **India** wins 21 medals (13 gold, 2 silver, 6 bronze)
- **Coco Gauff Wins 2024 WTA China Open (China):**
  - Defeated **Karolina Muchová**
- **62nd Irani Cup (Lucknow):**
  - **Mumbai** defeated **Rest of India**; **Sarfraz Khan** scored 222 runs
- **Women's Asian Champions Trophy 2024 (Rajgir, Bihar):**
  - Logo and mascot (**Gudiya**) unveiled
- **ISSF Junior World Championships 2024 (Lima, Peru):**
  - **India** tops the medal tally with 24 medals (13 gold, 3 silver, 8 bronze)
- **Rafael Nadal Retirement:**
  - Announced his retirement; final appearance at the **Davis Cup** in **Malaga, Spain** (Nov 19–24, 2024)
- **Asian Table Tennis Championships 2024 (Astana, Kazakhstan):**
  - **Indian Men's Team** and **Ayhika Mukherjee & Sutirtha Mukherjee** (doubles) win bronze



- **Wuhan Open 2024 (Wuhan, China):**
  - **Aryna Sabalenka** wins singles; **Anna Danilina & Irina Khromacheva** win doubles; also noted as part of WTA Finals in **Riyadh (Nov 2–9, 2024)**
- **Shanghai Masters 2024 (Shanghai, China):**
  - **Jannik Sinner** defeated **Novak Djokovic**



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