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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT



It is my honour to present my report as the 37th Chairman of the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB). My election by the Board of Governors on 6 February 2024 marked the end of interim setups that had been in place since 22 December 2022.

As a lifelong supporter of Pakistan cricket, it is both a privilege and a responsibility to lead the PCB during these transformative times.

The period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 has presented all-round challenges. Performances of our men's cricket teams in the 19th Asian Games, ACC 50-over Asia Cup 2023, ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2023 and ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2024 were disappointing and not reflective of our true potential, caliber, talent and international standing.

Similarly, our women's cricket teams faced a tough period, finishing fourth in the 19th Asian Games and seventh in the ICC Women's Championship 2022-2025. Managing only two wins and as many tied matches in 15 ODIs in the 12-month period, these experiences underscore areas for substantial improvement and development.

However, with every challenge comes an opportunity for growth. My tenure is dedicated to turning these setbacks into stepping stones for success. We will systematically address our weaknesses, adopt best practices and implement robust strategies to ensure a strong resurgence.

Our leadership and management ethos must reflect that we govern this sport on behalf of the people of Pakistan. Our cricketers carry the aspirations of millions and our governance must mirror this profound responsibility. We will foster a culture of accountability and excellence where every individual, from administrators to players, is committed to the highest standards of performance.

Our commitment to nurturing talent is evident in the launch of collegiate cricket, with 63 T20 matches across Karachi, Lahore and Islamabad. Congratulations to Government Jinnah College (Karachi), Punjab College (Lahore), and IMPCC College H-8/4 (Islamabad) for their victories. This collegiate cricket initiative will be a cornerstone of our domestic calendar, expanding in the 2024-25 season.

Despite international setbacks, our domestic cricket ecosystem has thrived.

The successful HBL Pakistan Super League 2024, highlighted by a thrilling final witnessed by over 35,000 fans in Karachi and millions globally, demonstrates our growing strength. Islamabad United's victory is a testament to the competitive spirit and quality of our league.

On the domestic front, in the 2023-24 domestic cricket season, the PCB organised 1,253 matches across 26 tournaments. This included 899 men's matches in 12 tournaments, 83 women's matches in three competitions, and 271 matches in 11 development events.

Congratulations to Karachi Region for winning four titles (Quaid-e-Azam Trophy, National U19 Cup, National T20 Cup and National U16 One-Day Tournament), Peshawar Region (National U19 Championship, Pakistan Cup and National U13 One-Day Tournament), Islamabad Region (Hanif Mohammad Trophy and Hanif Mohammad Cup), Sui Northern Gas Pipeline Limited (President's Trophy four-day first-class event and President's Cup 50-over tournament) and Oil & Gas Development Company Limited (President's Trophy three-day non-first-class tournament). I hope these sides will continue to aim higher and prove to be a motivation to the other regional and departmental sides.

Additionally, there were 11 activities focused on coaching and development of curators, coaches and match officials.

The 2024-25 season will be an expanded and extended one with more matches and tournaments. The philosophy is to enhance the competitive landscape, unearth new talent and provide more opportunities for our cricketers. This will narrow the gap between domestic and international cricket and create additional earning opportunities for players.

Looking ahead, the ICC Champions Trophy 2025, I am confident our team will rise to meet expectations. In this regard, massive upgradation and renovation of the National Bank Stadium in Karachi and Gaddafi Stadium in Lahore have commenced and I am confident the stadia will be ready for action by the end of the year.

We have engaged a top international architects and local company as consultants to meet modern standards, enhancing facilities for spectators, players, officials and partners.

The ICC's events team, chief curator and head of security have already visited Pakistan, with another ICC inspection expected in October. Additionally, we have submitted the draft schedule of the eight-team event to the ICC for their consideration and discussions with the participating countries, host broadcasters and other stakeholders. In the second half of the year, we will be working very closely with the ICC to ensure we deliver an event as per our very high standards.

Four of the eight participating countries – Bangladesh, England, New Zealand and South Africa – will visit us in the lead up to the ICC Champions Trophy 2025. Afghanistan played in Pakistan during the ACC 50-over Asia Cup 2023, while Australia visited us in the first quarter of 2022. India has not visited us since 2008, but I am confident the wait will end next year. We look forward to welcoming all the seven participating countries and ensure they will be looked after as per our rich traditions and culture, which are globally recognised and appreciated.

We honor the memory of notable figures we lost, including former PCB Chairs Mr Ijaz Butt and Mr Shaharyar M. Khan, and cricketers Saeed Ahmed, Naushad Ali, Sajjad Akbar and Ali Zia. Their contributions to Pakistan cricket will always be remembered.

I extend my deepest appreciation to our commercial partners for their unwavering support. Their contributions are vital, as the PCB operates without government grants or taxpayer money. Sponsorship earnings are reinvested into the game, and I am confident our partners will continue to support us.

Thank you to the Board of Governors for their trust and to the PCB staff for their dedication. Our journey is far from complete and I call upon everyone to redouble their efforts to regain the confidence of our fans and supporters.

Finally, I reassure all stakeholders, especially our fans, that we are committed to the best interests of Pakistan cricket. My leadership will focus on enhancing the image, reputation and credibility of the PCB and Pakistan cricket, making bold decisions to achieve our goals.

Pakistan Zindabad!

Mohsin Naqvi

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HIGHLIGHTS
(1 JULY 2023-30 JUNE 2024)

JULY 2023

Mr Zaka Ashraf assumed charge as the Chair of the PCB Management Committee

Regional Inter-District Senior tournament 2023-2024 commenced on 16 July, featuring 104 teams from 101 districts/zones

Engro Cricket Coaching Project under the PCB Pathway Cricket Programme began in Lahore and Muridke. Six foreign coaches, including three Test cricketers provided training to around 120 players from U13 to U19 age groups

The Asian Cricket Council and Pakistan Cricket Board announced the schedule of the Men's ODI Asia Cup 2023. The 50-over format tournament to be played from 30 August to 17 September with Event Hosts Pakistan staging four matches and Sri Lanka holding nine matches

Pakistan began their ICC World Test Championship 2023-25 campaign on a winning note, defeating Sri Lanka by 2-0 in the two-match Test series held in Colombo and Galle. Pakistan won the first Test by four wickets and claimed the second Test by an innings and 222 runs

PCB announced Pakistan Shaheens squad for the six-team Top End T20 series and two 50-over matches in Darwin, Australia

Pakistan Shaheens won the ACC Men's Emerging Teams Asia Cup 2023, beat India A by 128 runs in the final at R Premadasa International Cricket Stadium, Colombo

PCB announced the women's squad for the Asian Games in Hangzhou

AUGUST 2023

Pakistan Cricket Board constituted a Cricket Technical Committee (CTC), consisting of former Pakistan captains Misbah-ul-Haq (head), Inzamam-ul-Haq and Mohammad Hafeez

Pakistan Shaheens toured Darwin, Australia, for the Top End T20 series and two 50-over matches. Pakistan Shaheens lost to Northern Territory Strike by 46 runs in the final of the Top End T20 series after four successive wins in the tournament. Shaheens beat Papua New Guinea and NT Strike in the two 50-over matches

Former Pakistan captain Inzamam-ul-Haq was appointed as the chief selector of the national men's selection committee. Other members of the committee included Mickey Arthur (team director), Grant Bradburn (head coach) and Hassan Cheema (secretary)

PCB announced separate first-class tournaments for region and department sides

PCB rebranded the Grade-II four-day event as Hanif Mohammad Trophy

Mark Coles stepped down as the Pakistan women's team head coach

PCB announced the women's squad for white-ball series against South Africa in Karachi

PCB announced the first-ever domestic contracts for women cricketers. In a significant development for women's cricket in Pakistan, more than 70 women cricketers were awarded 11-month domestic contracts

Six international cricketers Aimen Anwar, Imran Butt, Javeria Khan, Javeria Rauf, Mansoor Amjad and Sajid Khan among 30 participants attended the six-day PCB Level-2 coaching course at NCA, Lahore

PCB conducted nationwide women's cricket trials across eight academies from 23 to 31 August

PCB announced the Pakistan Shaheens squad for the 19th Asian Games in Hangzhou, China

360 cricketers representing 18 regional teams were offered domestic contracts in the 2023-24 season

Pakistan sealed a 3-0 win in the ODI series against Afghanistan in Hambantota and Colombo to regain the No. 1 position in the ICC ODI rankings

ARY ZAP was awarded live-streaming rights for Pakistan v South Africa women's series and domestic events

20 women players, including 4 uncapped players were awarded central contracts for 23 months

PCB announced regional coaches for the domestic cricket season 2023-24. 14 Test cricketers and seven international cricketers were involved in the coaching panel

Pakistan hosted the ACC Men's Asia Cup 2023 after 15 years with the home side beating Nepal by 238 runs in the tournament opener at Multan Cricket Stadium

SEPTEMBER 2023

South Africa Women toured Pakistan for the three-match ODI and three-match T20I series. Pakistan Women won the T20I series by 3-0 whereas South Africa Women were the victorious side in the ODI series by 2-1

BCCI President Roger Binny and Vice-President Rajeev Shukla visited Lahore to watch Asia Cup matches

2023-24 domestic season commenced on 10 September with Quaid-e-Azam Trophy and Hanif Mohammad Trophy being playing concurrently

India beat Sri Lanka by 10 wickets to win the ACC Men's Asia Cup 2023. Pakistan lost to India and Sri Lanka in the Super Four stage

Conquerors beat Challengers by eight wickets to win Women's U19 T20 Tournament at Lahore Country Club, Muridke

Pakistan Women's team participated in 19th Asian Games

Pakistan unveiled squad for the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup India 2023

PCB signed an MoU with DineticQ, Loughborough that served as a hub for advanced research and analysis, focusing on the biomechanical aspects of cricket, including fast bowlers' management program and injury prevention, and science-led coach education

PCB announced three-year men's central contracts for 25 cricketers







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OCTOBER 2023

PCB signed an MoU with Middlesex County to jointly launch a T10 league, explore the possibility of organising exhibition matches between HBL PSL teams and Middlesex teams in Pakistan and the UK, organise training and educational programs for coaches, analysts, umpires and curators/groundsmen, and also develop training programs for women's cricket teams under PCB, including the national women's team

Mr Zaka Ashraf hosted the Pakistan Blind Cricket team and officials at the Gaddafi Stadium to honour their gold medal win at the IBSA World Games 2023 in Birmingham

Inzamam-ul-Haq was appointed Chairman of Junior Men's Cricket Selection Committee, while leading the senior selection committee. The four-member senior selection committee comprised Tauseef Ahmed, Wajahatullah Wasti and Wasim Haider. The seven-member junior selection committee included Aamer Nazir, Javed Hayat, Mahmood Hamid, Naveed Latif, Salman Ahmed and Sanaullah Baloch

Pakistan team participated in the 19th Asian Games men's cricket event. They beat Hong Kong and faced defeat against Afghanistan and Bangladesh

Pakistan men's cricket team participated in the ICC Men's World Cup 2023 and finished fifth, winning four out of nine matches

PCB announced schedule of West Indies Women A and Thailand women's emerging team tour of Pakistan

Sri Lanka U19 toured Pakistan for a four-day match and five 50-over matches. Pakistan U19 won the four-day match by nine wickets while Sri Lanka U19 won the 50-over series by 3-2

Five players Abrar Ahmed (Category C), Noman Ali (Category C), Tayyab Tahir (Category D), Aamir Jamal (Category D) and Arshad Iqbal (Category D) were added to the men's central contracts list whereas Sarfaraz Ahmed, previously in Category D, was elevated to Category B. Shan Masood was later promoted from Category D to Category B

Islamabad won the Hanif Mohammad Trophy 2023-24 after topping the Super-Four points table and earned a promotion to Quaid-e-Azam Trophy

Karachi Whites beat Faisalabad by 456 runs to win Quaid-e-Azam Trophy 2023-24

Karachi Whites U19 won the National U19 Cup 2023-24

West Indies Women A won the three-match one-day series by 2-1 against Pakistan Women A in Lahore

Pakistan women's team toured Bangladesh for a three-match T20I and three-match ODI series. Bangladesh Women won the T20I series by 2-1 and the ODI series by 2-1

Inzamam-ul-Haq resigned as chairman of the national men's and junior selection committees
November 2023

NOVEMBER 2023

Shaheen Shah Afridi became the top-ranked ODI bowler for the first time

PCB signed MoU with DHA for facilitation of women's cricket

Pakistan Women A beat West Indies Women A by eight wickets to win the final of T20 tri-series

Pakistan Women A won the two-match T20 series by 2-0 against Thailand Women Emerging

Caretaker Prime Minister of Pakistan and PCB Patron Mr Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar granted a three-month extension to the PCB Management Committee

Morne Morkel resigned as Pakistan bowling coach

Peshawar U19 won the National U19 Championship 2023-24

Babar Azam resigned as national team captain. Shan Masood was appointed Test and Shaheen Shah Afridi T20I captain of the Pakistan men's cricket team

Mohammad Hafeez was given the responsibility of Director – Pakistan men's Cricket Team

Six international women cricketers – Gull Feroza, Kaynat Hafeez, Rameen Shamim, Sidra Nawaz, Sukhan Faiz and Syeda Aroob Shah, among 29 participants attended the Level 1 coaching course

Islamabad won the Hanif Mohammad Cup 2023-24 after topping the Super Four stage

Wahab Riaz was appointed as the chief selector of the national men's selection committee, Sohail Tanvir as head of the junior selection committee and Mohammad Yousuf as the Head Coach of the Pakistan U19 side

Peshawar defeated Karachi Whites by 124 runs in the final at Rawalpindi Cricket Stadium to win Pakistan Cup 2023-24

Umar Gul and Saeed Ajmal were appointed as bowling coaches of the men's national team

DECEMBER 2023

PCB confirmed appointment of Kamran Akmal, Rao Iftikhar Anjum and Salman Butt as consultant members to chief selector Wahab Riaz, Salman Butt was subsequently removed as a consultant

Pakistan announced squad for ACC U19 Asia Cup 2023

PCB signed a contract with DineticQ at the National Cricket Academy in Lahore. The collaboration underscored commitment to providing world-class facilities to players at Loughborough with a focus on biomechanical aspects of the game, injury recovery and prevention and player development

PCB awarded domestic contracts to 11 more women cricketers, increasing the tally of domestic contracted players to 80

Pakistan women's team toured New Zealand for three-match T20I and three-match ODI series. Pakistan Women won the T20I series by 2-1 to become the first Asian side to beat New Zealand in a T20I series, while New Zealand Women won the ODI series by 2-1

Pakistan U19 team participated in ACC U19 Asia Cup 2023 where they beat Nepal, Afghanistan and India in the group stage before losing to UAE in the semi-final

Kamran Akmal was among 27 participants who attended the Level 1 Coaching Course at the Bugti Stadium in Quetta from 11 to 14 December

Karachi Whites beat Abbottabad by nine runs in the final to win the 18-team National T20 Cup 2023-24

PCB awarded a cash prize of PKR 3.6 million to T20 Wheelchair Cricket Asia Cup-winning Pakistan Wheelchair Cricket Team

PCB signed the ICC Champions Trophy 2025 hosting rights agreement with the International Cricket Council (ICC) in Dubai

President's Trophy Grade-I 2023-24 commenced on 16 December

PCB announced squad for ICC U19 Men's Cricket World Cup, former left-arm pacer Junaid Khan was named as the bowling coach

PCB announced three development programmes across the country which involved the activation of sub-academies in seven cities, specialised training camps for national players and financial support for U19 players

Former Test all-rounder Yasir Arafat was appointed as the High-Performance Coach of the Pakistan men's team for the T20I series against New Zealand

Pakistan men's team toured Australia for a three-match Test series. Aamir Jamal, in his debut series, was named player of the match in the third Test, while Australia won the series by 3-0

JANUARY 2024

PCB conducted Level 1 Cricket Coaching Courses in Karachi, Peshawar and Rawalpindi

Mohammad Rizwan was named Pakistan's T20I vice-captain

HBL PSL live-streaming rights witnessed a 113 per cent increase whereas the tournament's broadcast rights saw a 45 per cent increase

A 30-player Skills Development Camp involving top performers of the Hanif Mohammad Trophy and players from far-flung areas took place from 13 to 29 January at the Inzamam-ul-Haq High-Performance Centre in Multan

Nida Dar among 13 participants took part in the four-day Female Umpires induction course at Gaddafi Stadium, Lahore

Pakistan men's team toured New Zealand for a five-match T20I series. New Zealand won the series by 4-1

Ayub Park Cricket Ground in Rawalpindi hosted its maiden women's match during the National Women's T20 Tournament 2023-24

PCB announced the schedule of the 34-match HBL PSL 9 to be played in four cities – Karachi, Lahore, Multan and Rawalpindi

Mickey Arthur, Grant Bradburn and Andrew Puttick, who were assigned duties at the NCA in Lahore after a change in their portfolios in November 2023, resigned from their respective positions

PCB introduced monthly retainers for its Women Panel of Umpires for the first time

Mr Shah Khawar, Advocate of the Supreme Court of Pakistan and the Election Commissioner of PCB, assumed the powers of PCB Chairman

Pakistan Women U19 toured Bangladesh for the Tri-Nation T20 Series involving the hosts and Sri Lanka Women U19. The latter won the competition after defeating Bangladesh Women U19 in the final by 36 runs

Pakistan U19 participated in the ICC U19 Men's Cricket World Cup 2024 in South Africa where they progressed to the semi-finals following five consecutive wins. Pakistan U19 lost a thriller in a semi-final clash against Australia U19 by one wicket

PCB announced the composition of the Board of Governors (BoG) in accordance with Paragraph 10 of the PCB Constitution 2014

Lahore and Karachi were declared joint champions of National Women's T20 Tournament 2023-24 after rain forced the final to be abandoned without a ball bowled



FEBRUARY 2024

Mohsin Naqvi was unanimously elected as the PCB Chairman

SNGPL beat WAPDA by 519 runs to win the President's Trophy Grade-I 2023-24

HBL PSL began in Lahore with Islamabad United defeating defending champions Lahore Qalandars by eight wickets

Peshawar U13 beat Karachi U13 to win the National U13 One-Day Tournament

A 20-day-long Skills Development Camp for 32 players – top performers of the PCB Pathway Programme and Inter-Region U16 One-Day Tournament over the last two editions – took place at Lahore Country Club in Muridke

The Government of Punjab handed over High-Performance Centres in Sialkot and Faisalabad to the PCB

Test cricketers Aamer Malik, Naved Latif and Saleem Elahi were among 32 participants took part in a four-day Level-1 coaching course in Multan

MARCH 2024

PCB Chairman Mohsin Naqvi sought an upgradation plan of the stadiums

PCB observed breast and childhood cancer awareness days in HBL PSL 9

Karachi U16 won National U16 One-Day Tournament

PCB announced schedule of New Zealand men's team tour to Pakistan for five-match T20I series

Pakistan Deaf Cricket Team won the DICC T20 World Cup 2024 in Sharjah, UAE

Islamabad United won the HBL PSL 9 for the third time when they defeat Multan Sultans by two wickets in Karachi

PCB announced schedule of West Indies Women tour to Pakistan

PCB Chairman Mohsin Naqvi called on NESPAK (National Engineering Services of Pakistan) officials in a follow-up meeting on the upgradation of the three major venues in Pakistan

PCB launched first-ever Inter-College Ramadan T20 Cup, featuring 30 colleges from three cities

Four Test cricketers – Wahab Riaz, Mohammad Yousuf, Abdul Razzaq and Asad Shafiq – were named in a seven-member men's selection committee. The captain and coach of the team and Bilal Afzal (data analyst) are also part of the committee

PCB announced schedule of Pakistan men's team tour of Australia for six white-ball fixtures in November

ICC Senior Events Manager, ICC Head of Security and ICC Pitch Consultant visited Pakistan to inspect venues and facilities as well as to hold discussion on the ICC Champions Trophy 2025; ICC Head of Events also met PCB Chairman Mohsin Naqvi in Islamabad

PCB announced the Inter-Club One-Day Tournament, set to commence in April across the 16 regions in the country

Babar Azam was appointed Pakistan's white-ball captain

APRIL 2024

The consortium of Tamasha and Trans Group FZE were awarded live-streaming rights for the home T20I series against New Zealand and women's home series against West Indies. The streaming rights for the series against New Zealand saw a 94 per cent increase compared to the previous series against the same opposition in 2023

Jinnah College won final of Inter-College Ramadan T20 Cup in Karachi; Punjab College won the title in Lahore while IMPCC H-8/4 clinched the Inter-College Ramadan T20 Cup in Rawalpindi

The pre-season physical fitness camp in Kakul concluded where 29 players took part in strategically designed training and drills

ARY Communications secured media rights for New Zealand men's and West Indies women's cricket series. ARY & TransGroup consortium was awarded PCB's International Media Rights Partner for these two home series

New Zealand team toured Pakistan for a five-match T20I series in Rawalpindi and Lahore. The series was drawn 2-2 as the first match was washed out due to rain

West Indies Women toured Pakistan for a three-match ODI and five-match T20I series in Karachi. West Indies Women won the ODI series by 3-0 and T20I series by 4-1

PCB Chairman reconstituted the national women's selection committee, expanding it to seven members. Retained members from the previous panel Asmavia Iqbal and Marina Iqbal were joined by Abdul Razzaq, Asad Shafiq, Batool Fatima and the captain and coach of the team

Jason Gillespie and Gary Kirsten were confirmed the Pakistan's head coaches in red and white-ball cricket, respect ively. Azhar Mahmood was named assistant coach across all formats. The three coaches were appointed on two-year contracts

MAY 2024

The independent three-member medical committee tasked with reviewing the handling of fast bowler Ihsanullah's right elbow injury and recommending next steps, submitted its detailed report to PCB Chairman Mohsin Naqvi

PCB announced details of its tour to South Africa for three T20Is, three ODIs, and two Tests in the second half of 2024

PCB proposed 7 April to 20 May window for the HBL PSL 2025 with playoffs at a neutral venue

Pakistan men's team toured Ireland for a three-match T20I series. Pakistan won the series by 2-1

Lahore beat Karachi in the final by eight wickets at Iqbal Stadium, Faisalabad, to win National Women's One-Day Tournament 2023-24

SNGPL beat HEC by eight wickets to win President's Cup Grade-I 2023-24

Pakistan women's team toured England for a three-match T20I and three-match ODI series. England Women won the T20I series by 3-0 during which Nida Dar became the leading wicket-taker in Women's T20Is while the ODI series saw England win by 2-0 as the second ODI was washed out due to rain

Pakistan men's team toured England for a four-match T20I series. England won the series by 2-0 as the first and third match was washed out due to rain

Pakistan confirmed the 15-player squad for the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2024 in the USA and West Indies

PCB launched its first-ever Women's University Cricket Tournament held in Lahore, Rawalpindi, Karachi and Multan

Redevelopment of the Gaddafi Stadium commenced with National Bank Stadium in Karachi and Rawalpindi Cricket Stadium to also undergo renovation for the ICC Champions Trophy 2025

JUNE 2024

PCB Chairman Mohsin Naqvi chaired meetings of domestic cricket season 2024-25 in which approval for additional events with aim to narrow the gap between domestic and international events was given

PCB Women's University Cricket Tournament 2024 concluded with University of Karachi winning the Karachi zone final, University of Punjab triumphing in the Lahore zone final, Fatima Jinnah Women University emerging victorious Rawalpindi zone final and Bahaud-din Zakariya University claiming the Multan zone final

OGDCL won President's Trophy Grade-II 2023-24

Pakistan men's team participated in ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2024 where they bowed out in the group stage following loses to the US and India. Pakistan beat Canada and Ireland

PCB confirmed appointment of Muhammad Wasim as head coach and former Test bowlers Abdur Rehman and Junaid Khan as spin bowling and assistant coaches, respectively, of the Women's team for the ACC Women's T20 Asia Cup 2024

PCB Chairman Mohsin Naqvi attended Pakistan versus India match in New York and the T20 World Cup final in Barbados, and discussed the holding the ICC Champions Trophy 2025 in Pakistan with board chiefs of the participating countries

The PCB announced details of Pakistan Shaheens' tour to Darwin, Australia, and Pakistan women's team's visit to Dambulla, Sri Lanka, for the ACC Women's T20 Asia Cup 2024



OBITUARIES AND RETIREMENTS

(1 JULY 2023-30 JUNE 2024)

OBITUARIES



3 Aug 2023 - Former PCB Chairman Ijaz Butt passed away at the age of 85. A former wicketkeeper-batter, Ijaz Butt played eight matches for Pakistan from 1959 to 1962



20 Aug 2023 – Former Test batter Naushad Ali passed away at the age of 79. He featured in six Test matches – all against New Zealand in 1965



20 Jan 2024 - Former first-class cricketer and ex-Senior General Manager at the National Cricket Academy Ali Zia passed away at the age of 66. Ali played in 165 first-class matches



20 Mar 2024 – Saeed Ahmed, Pakistan sixth Test captain and cap number 27, passed away at the age of 86. He represented Pakistan in 41 Tests in the period between 1958 and 1972/73



23 Mar 2024 - Former diplomat Shaharyar Khan passed away at the age of 89. He served as PCB Chairman from December 2003 to October 2006 and from August 2014 to August 2017. He was also Pakistan team manager on the 1999 tour of India and 2003 Cricket World Cup in South Africa and Zimbabwe



21 May 2024 - Former international cricketer and Level-4 coach Sajjad Akbar passed away at the age of 63. He represented Pakistan in two ODIs in 1990

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RETIREMENTS

9 July 2023 – Right-arm fast bowler Ehsan Adil retired after representing Pakistan in in three Tests and six ODIs between 2013 and 2015

9 July 2023 - All-rounder Hammad Azam retired after featuring in 11 ODIs from 2011 to 2015

16 Aug 2023 - Left-arm fast bowler Wahab Riaz announced his retirement after representing Pakistan in 27 Tests, 91 ODIs and 36 T20Is

8 Jan 2024 - Jaweria Rauf announced her retirement from international cricket after representing Pakistan women's cricket team in four ODIs and 13 T20Is between 2013 and 2021

21 Mar 2024 - Javeria Khan announced her retirement after featuring in 228 international matches and scored 4,903 runs, which included two centuries and 25 half-centuries. She also bagged 28 international wickets

25 April 2024 - Former captain Bismah Maroof announced her international retirement after playing 276 international matches for Pakistan, the most by any Pakistan women cricketer



MEN'S
INTERNATIONAL CRICKET

PAKISTAN IN SRI LANKA (2 TESTS)

Pakistan kicked off their ICC World Test Championship 2023-2025 cycle with a two-Test series in Sri Lanka. Both the Tests were played in Galle with Pakistan winning the first by four wickets and the second by an innings and 222 runs. This was Pakistan's 11th Test tour of the Pearl Island since 1985-86 and Pakistan kept their noses ahead by 5-3 on a head-to-head.

For Sri Lanka, their win drought against Pakistan continued as their last series win was in 2014-15 when they won 2-0. In 2015, Pakistan won 2-1, while the 2022 series ended in a 1-all draw.

Salman Ali Agha was adjudged Player of the Series for his 221 runs and three wickets. Saud Shakeel was named Player of the First Test after scoring 208 not out and 30, while Abdullah Shafique's 201 earned him the Player of the Second Test award.

FIRST TEST

In the first Test played from 16-20 July, Sri Lanka elected to bat first and recovered 54 for four to post 312. Dhananjaya de Silva was the star performer with a 122 from 214 balls with 12 fours and three sixes. Together with Angelo Mathews (64), de Silva stitched a 131-run fifth-wicket partnership. With Sadeera Samarawickrama (36), de Silva added another 57 runs for the sixth wicket that gave respectability to Sri Lanka's total.

For Pakistan, Abrar Ahmed, Shaheen Shah Afridi and Naseem Shah picked up three wickets each, conceding 68, 86 and 90 runs, respectively.

In turn, Saud Shakeel played a marvelous innings of 208 not out from 361 balls with 19 fours to steer Pakistan to 461. Like Sri Lanka, Pakistan had their backs against the wall when they slipped to 101 for five, before Saud and Salman Ali Agha held the fort. The two batters added 177 runs for the sixth wicket with Salman contributing 83 off 113 balls with nine fours and a six.

Saud featured in two more useful partnerships that earned Pakistan a handsome 149 runs first innings lead. For the seventh wicket with Noman Ali (25), Saud added 52 runs, while for the ninth wicket with Naseem Shah (6), Saud put on 94 priceless runs.

Sri Lanka, in their second innings, posted 279 with de Silva once again top-scoring with 82, Opener Nishan Madushka (52) and Ramesh Mendis (42) were the other notable run-getters. For Pakistan, Abrar and Noman picked up three wickets apiece, while Salman and Shaheen bagged two wickets each.

Pakistan almost made a mess of a modest 131-run chase when they slipped to 38 for three and then 79 for four before Imam-ul-Haq (50 not out) and Saud Shakeel (30) put them back on victory path.

Left-arm spinner Prabath Jayasuriya followed up his three for 145 in the first innings with four for 56 in the second, while Ramesh Mendis took one wicket for 62 runs after claiming five wickets for 136 runs in the first innings.

SECOND TEST

In the second Test from 24-27 July, Pakistan rode on Abdullah Shafique's 201, Salman Ali Agha's 132 not out, Abrar's Ahmed four-fer in the first innings and Noman Ali's seven-fer in the second innings to defeat Sri Lanka by an innings and 222 runs.

Abrar and Naseem Shah proved to be the wreckers in chiefs of Sri Lanka's first innings when they took four for 69 and three for 41, respectively as the home side was skittled out for 166. Abdullah Shafique then scored 201 from 326 balls with 19 fours and four sixes, and Salman Ali Agha scored 132 not out from 154 balls with 15 fours and one six as the two batters added 124 runs for the sixth wicket to lift Pakistan 576 for five declared.

Abdullah featured in other useful partnerships as well, adding 108 runs for the second wicket with Shan Masood (51), 89 for the third wicket with Babar Azam (39), 109 for the fourth wicket with Saud Shakeel (57) and an unbroken 108 for the sixth wicket with Mohammad Rizwan (50 not out).

Trailing by 410 runs in the first innings, Sri Lanka collapsed to 188 all-out after being 86 for one at one stage. Noman Ali dismissed the top seven batters except Angelo Mathews (63 not out) and returned figures of 23-8-70-7, while Naseem Shah took three wickets in five balls to register figures of 17.4-5-44-3.

MOST RUNS IN THE SERIES



Saud Shakeel
295
Runs



Dhananjaya de Silva
271
Runs



Abdullah Shafique
228
Runs

MOST WICKETS IN THE SERIES



Noman Ali
17
Wickets



Abrar Ahmed
12
Wickets



Naseem Shah
10
Wickets

TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	RUNS	HS	AVG	SR	100/50
Saud Shakeel	Pakistan	2	295	208*	147.5	57.95	1/1
Dhananjaya de Silva	Sri Lanka	2	271	122	67.75	61.87	1/2
Abdullah Shafique	Pakistan	2	228	201	76	61.29	1/0

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	AVG	4WL	5WL
Noman Ali	Pakistan	2	10	7-70	20	0	1
Abrar Ahmed	Pakistan	2	10	4-69	23.9	1	0
Naseem Shah	Pakistan	2	9	3-41	23	0	0

PAKISTAN V AFGHANISTAN IN SRI LANKA (3 ODIS)

In the build-up to the ACC Men's 50-over Asia Cup 2023 and the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2023, Pakistan played a three-ODI series against Afghanistan with the latter as the series host. The matches were played in Hambantota (22 and 24 August) and Colombo (on 26 August).

In the first match, Pakistan defeated Afghanistan by 142 runs.

Batting first, Pakistan mustered 201 all-out in 47.1 overs with Imam-ul-Haq top-scoring with 61. Shadab Khan (39), Iftikhar Ahmed (30) and Mohammad Rizwan (21) were the other notable run-scorers. In turn, Haris Rauf returned figures of 6.2-2-18-5 to bowl Afghanistan out for 59 in 19.2 overs. Shaheen Shah Afridi returned figures of 4-2-9-2, while Naseem Shah and Shadab Khan took a wicket each.

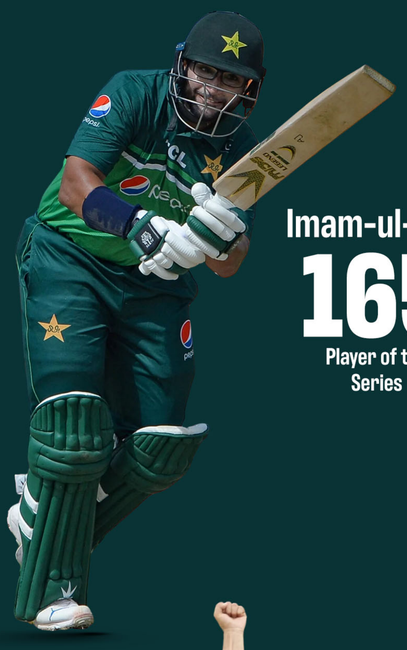
In the second ODI, Pakistan needed 11 runs in the last over which they achieved in five balls with Naseem Shah hitting a boundary off Fazalhaq Farooqi on the penultimate delivery to seal a one-wicket victory. It was Pakistan's eighth one-wicket win in ODIs.

Openers Rahmanullah Gurbaz scored 151 and Ibrahim Zadran scored 80 as the two put on 227 runs for the first wicket to help their side reach 300 for five in 50 overs. In turn, Imam-ul-Haq once again top-scored with 91, while Babar Azam made 53, Shadab Khan 48 and Fakhar Zaman 30.

In the third ODI, Pakistan posted 268 for eight and then bowled Afghanistan out for 209 in 48.4 overs to win by 59 runs.

Mohammad Rizwan (67), Babar Azam (60), Salman Ali Agha (38 not out) and Mohammad Nawaz (30) were the star betters, while bowling honours for Pakistan were shared between Shadab Khan (three for 42), Shaheen Shah Afridi (two for 31), Faheem Ashraf (two for 43) and Mohammad Nawaz (two for 45).

Imam-ul-Haq for his series aggregate of 165 runs was named Player of the Series.



Imam-ul-Haq
165
Player of the Series



Shaheen Shah Afridi
6
Most wickets in the series



TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	RUNS	HS	AVG	SR	100/50
Rahmanullah Gurbaz	Afghanistan	3	174	151	58	81.69	1/0
Imam-ul-Haq	Pakistan	3	165	91	55	72.05	0/2
Babar Azam	Pakistan	3	113	60	37.67	72.9	0/2

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	AVG	4WL	5WL
Shaheen Shah Afridi	Pakistan	3	6	2-9	16.33	0	0
Haris Rauf	Pakistan	2	5	5-18	13.2	0	1
Mujeeb ur Rehman	Afghanistan	3	5	3-33	25.6	0	0







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MEN'S ODI ASIA CUP 2023 (5 ODIS)

The Men's ODI Asia Cup 2023 held from 30 August to 17 September turned out to be a nightmare for co-hosts Pakistan and Sri Lanka as India won their eighth Asian title in 16 events since its inception in 1984. Pakistan, who had entered as the No.1 ranked ODI side, failed to progress to the final after losing to India and Sri Lanka in the Super-Four Stage, while Sri Lanka were knocked out for 50 in the final with India racing to victory in 6.1 overs without losing a wicket.

The tournament was staged on a hybrid model with event hosts Pakistan staging four matches - Pakistan vs Nepal, Multan, Bangladesh v Afghanistan in Lahore, Afghanistan v Sri Lanka, Lahore and a Super-Four fixture between Pakistan and Bangladesh in Lahore – and nine matches in Sri Lanka (three in Pallekele and six in Colombo).

Pakistan launched their campaign with a 238-run victory over Nepal. Babar Azam scored 151 and Iftikhar Ahmed scored 109 not out as Pakistan posted 342 for six. In turn, Shadab Khan took four for 27 and Haris Rauf and Shaheen Shah Afridi claimed two wickets apiece as Nepal were dismissed for 104 in 23.4 overs.

Pakistan then traveled to Pallekele for their match against India, which was rained off after India's innings. Electing to bat first, India was dismissed for 266 in 48.5 overs with Hardik Pandya scoring 87 and Ishan Kishan 82 as the two batters added 138 runs for the fifth wicket after India were in a bother at 66 for four. For Pakistan, Shaheen Shah Afridi took four for 35, while Naseem Shah and Haris Rauf bagged three wickets apiece.

In the Super-Four match against Bangladesh in Lahore, Pakistan coasted to a comfortable seven-wicket victory. Haris Rauf took four for 19 and Naseem Shah snapped up three for 34 as Bangladesh were bowled out for 193 in 38.4 overs. Imam-ul-Haq scored 78 and Mohammad Rizwan scored 63 not out as Pakistan overhauled the target in 39.3 overs.

In the Super-Four match against India, playing conditions were amended only for this fixture by including a reserve day after India had reached 147 for two in 24.1 overs before rain prevented any further play. India resumed their innings at the overnight score and finished at 356 for two with Virat Kohli scoring 122 not out and KL Rahul scoring 111 not out. The wicket suddenly had demons in it when Pakistan batted as they were bundled out for 128 in 32 overs with Naseem Shah and Haris Rauf unable to bat. Kuldeep Yadav outfoxed Pakistan batters with figures of five for 25.

In a must-win Super-Four match against Sri Lanka to keep their final hopes alive, Charith Asalanka hit Zaman Khan for a boundary and a double off the final two deliveries to earn Sri Lanka a two-wicket victory. In a reduced 42-over-a-side fixture, Pakistan had scored 252 for seven with Mohammad Rizwan (86 not out) and Abdullah Shafique (52) scoring half-centuries. When Sri Lanka batted, Iftikhar Ahmed took three wickets for 50 runs, while Shaheen Shah Afridi took two wickets for 52 runs.

In a disappointing campaign, Babar Azam was the top-scorer for Pakistan with a series aggregate of 207 runs, followed by Mohammad Rizwan (195) and Iftikhar Ahmed (179). Shaheen Shah Afridi was the leading wicket-taker with 10, followed by Haris Rauf (nine) and Naseem Shah (seven).



TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	RUNS	HS	AVG	SR	100/50
Shubman Gill	India	6	302	121	75.5	93.49	1/2
Kusal Mendis	Sri Lanka	6	270	92	45	85.71	0/3
Sadeera Samarawickrama	Sri Lanka	6	215	93	35.83	89.21	0/2

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	AVG	4WL	5WL
Matheesha Pathirana	Sri Lanka	6	11	4-32	24.55	1	0
Mohammed Siraj	India	5	10	6-21	12.2	0	1
Dunith Wellalage	Sri Lanka	6	10	5-40	17.9	0	1









HANGZHOU 2022 ASIAN GAMES (3 T20IS)

Cricket returned to the Asian Games after 2014 but Pakistan's gold medal drought in men's event continued. After Pakistan had managed a bronze in 2010, it did not participate in 2014. In 2022 event, Pakistan finished fourth after losing the semifinal to Afghanistan by four wickets and bronze-medal match to Bangladesh by six wickets on the Duckworth-Lewis-Stern (DLS) Method.

India won the gold after their final against Afghanistan was called off after the first innings due to light drizzle and wet outfield. When umpires called off the match, Afghanistan were 112 for five in 18.2 overs. India were declared winner due to their higher seeding. Afghanistan settled for a silver medal, while Bangladesh returned home with a bronze medal.

In quest for an Asian gold, Pakistan had picked a strong and experienced side that included the likes of Aamir Jamal, Asif Ali, Haider Ali, Mohammad Hasnain, Khushdil Shah, Rohail Nazir, Shahnawaz Dahani and Usman Qadir, with Qasim Akram as captain.

Pakistan, like other Test playing nations, entered the competition in the quarter-final stage where they comfortably defeated Hong Kong by 68 runs. Aamir Jamal top-scored with 41, while Asif Ali and Arafat Minhas scored 25 each as Pakistan were bowled out for 160 in 20 overs. In turn, Hong Kong was dismissed for 92 in 18.5 overs with Khushdil Shah picking up three wickets and Qasim Akram, Sufiyan Moqim and Arafat Minhas bagging two wickets each.

In the semi-final against Afghanistan, Pakistan batted first and were knocked out for 115 in 18 overs with opener Omair Bin Yousuf top-scoring with 24. In turn, Afghanistan reached the victory target in 17.5 overs for the loss of six wickets with Noor Ali Zadran scoring 39 and Gulbadin Naib scoring 26 not out.

In the bronze-medal match, Sufiyan Moqim conceded 20 off the last over, including a four off the last ball, as Bangladesh won by six wickets on the DLS Method. Bangladesh needed to score 65 in five overs in the rain-hit game after the target was adjusted by DLS. Earlier, Pakistan had made 48 for one after a delayed start but their innings was curtailed after five overs when rain arrived for a second time.





TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	RUNS	HS	AVG	SR	100/50
Kushal Malla	Nepal	3	213	137*	213	231.52	1/0
Syed Aziz	Malaysia	3	185	126	61.66	165.17	1/0
Virandeep Singh	Malaysia	3	126	52	126	148.23	0/1

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	AVG	4WL	5WL
A Bohara	Nepal	3	8	6-11	8.25	0	1
A Shukla	Hong Kong	3	7	4-49	10.71	1	0
Anas Khan	Hong Kong	3	6	2-13	9	0	0

ICC MEN'S CRICKET WORLD CUP 2023 (9 ODIS)

The ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2023 in India turned out to be a disastrous and poorly planned campaign for the Pakistan men's cricket team from start to finish. Between the team's return from Colombo and departure for Hyderabad (September 18-29), discussions and media headlines centered around the ACC 50-over Asia Cup debriefs, the finalisation of player support personnel, and negotiations on the players' central contracts.

Ultimately, the team left for Hyderabad on September 29, where they were warmly welcomed by hundreds of cricket fans and security personnel.

Pakistan started off positively by defeating the Netherlands and Sri Lanka. However, after suffering three successive defeats against India (seven wickets), Australia (62 runs), and Afghanistan (eight wickets), a comedy of errors engulfed the Pakistan cricket team.

On 23 October, for the first time, the PCB released a statement to dispel impressions about discord and tension in the team camp. The PCB stated: "The PCB unequivocally assures that the team is cohesive and there is no evidence to support these unsubstantiated claims. The PCB is disappointed by the dissemination of this false news and emphasizes the importance of upholding journalistic ethics before spreading such allegations."

A day later, in the lead-up to the 26 October match against South Africa, the PCB made another public statement, indicating it would seek the expertise of former cricketers, including Umar Gul, Waqar Younis, Wasim Akram, and Saqlain Mushtaq, for the development process of the current players.

Then, on the morning of the crucial match against South Africa, the PCB shocked the cricket world with another statement, which read as: "The PCB acknowledges the emotions and sentiments of cricket fans following the three consecutive defeats faced by the national team in the ICC World Cup 2023. In this challenging environment, the board administration hopes that the cricketing fraternity and fans will continue to support captain Babar Azam and the entire Pakistan cricket team.

"Looking ahead, the board will make decisions in the best interest of Pakistan cricket based on the team's performances in the World Cup. At present, the PCB encourages fans, former players, and stakeholders to rally behind the team as they strive to make a triumphant comeback in the mega-event."

As cricket fans, supporters, and pundits across the world were still recovering from these unnecessary mid-event statements, the PCB gave a further twist to the ongoing drama by leaking captain Babar Azam's confidential chat, then sacking chief selector Inzamam-ul-Haq over unsubstantiated allegations of conflict of interest, and finally, recalling the team media manager from Bengaluru.

Under these circumstances, Pakistan did not do poorly in the second half of the tournament - losing to South Africa by one wicket and to England by 93 runs, while defeating Bangladesh by seven wickets and New Zealand by 21 runs using the Duckworth-Lewis-Stern method.

With four wins in nine matches, Pakistan finished fifth and ahead of Afghanistan, defending champions England, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and the Netherlands. India, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand claimed the top four spots and progressed to the knockout stage.

In the first semi-final, India defeated New Zealand by 70 runs in Mumbai, while Australia triumphed over South Africa in the second semi-final in Kolkata. In front of over 125,000 Indian fans in Ahmedabad, Australia outplayed, outsmarted and outfoxed India by four wickets to win their sixth World Cup title (1987, 1999, 2003, 2007, and 2015).

For Pakistan, it was the eighth time in 13 events that it had failed to qualify for the semifinals. It had previously failed to reach the semi-finals in 1975, 1979, 1996, 2003, 2007, 2015 and 2019.

On 6 October, Pakistan opened their tournament with an 81-run victory over the Netherlands. Saud Shakeel was the player of the match for his 52-ball 68, with contributions from Mohammad Rizwan (68), Mohammad Nawaz (39), and Shadab Khan (32) helping Pakistan reach 286 in 49 overs. Haris Rauf took three wickets and Hasan Ali snapped up two wickets as the Netherlands were bowled out for 205 in 41 overs.























On 10 October, Pakistan faced Sri Lanka. Mohammad Rizwan, for his 131 not out, was named player of the match as Pakistan chased down the 345-run target for the loss of four wickets in 48.2 overs. Abdullah Shafique scored a masterly 113 and added 176 runs for the third wicket with Rizwan. Earlier, Hasan Ali took four for 71 and Haris Rauf claimed two for 64 as Sri Lanka posted 344 for nine, backed by centuries from Kusal Mendis (122) and Sadeera Samarawickrama (108).

The 14 October match in Ahmedabad between India and Pakistan turned out to be a one-sided affair as India maintained their unbeaten run against Pakistan in the 50-over World Cup by winning by seven wickets. Jasprit Bumrah took two for 19 and won the player of the match award as Pakistan were dismissed for 191 in 42.5 overs, with Babar Azam scoring 50 and Mohammad Rizwan 49. India reached victory for the loss of three wickets in 30.3 overs after Rohit Sharma's quickfire 63-ball 86 and Shreyas Iyer's 53 not out.

On October 20 in Bengaluru, Australia defeated Pakistan by 62 runs in a match where both sides scored more than 300 runs. Australia, batting first, scored 367 for nine with player of the match David Warner scoring 163 from 124 balls with 14 fours and nine sixes. Mitchell Marsh scored a 108-ball 121 with 10 fours and nine sixes as the two provided their side a 259-run start in 33.5 overs. Abdullah Shafique (64) and Imam-ul-Haq (70) scored half-centuries, and Mohammad Rizwan chipped in with 46 as Pakistan were bowled out for 305 in 45.3 overs. Adam Zampa took four wickets for 53 runs.

On 23 October in Chennai, Afghanistan defeated Pakistan for the first time, successfully chasing the 283-run target with eight wickets and six balls to spare. Ibrahim Zadran scored 87, Rahmat Shah 77 not out, Rahmanullah Gurbaz 65, and Hashmatullah Shahidi 48 not out to make history for Afghanistan. Earlier, contributions from Babar Azam (74), Abdullah Shafique (58), and 40 each by Shadab Khan and Iftikhar Ahmed lifted Pakistan to 282 for seven.

On 27 October in Chennai, South Africa's last pair of Keshav Maharaj and Tabraiz Shamsi scored the required 11 runs to help their side beat Pakistan by one wicket. Chasing 271 for victory, South Africa had slipped to 250 for eight and then 260 for nine before snatching victory from the jaws of defeat. Saud Shakeel (52), Babar Azam (50), and Shadab Khan (43) were the main run-getters for Pakistan, who, after batting first, were dismissed for 270 in 46.4 overs. Aiden Markram top-scored with 91 for South Africa in their run chase, while Shaheen Shah Afridi with three for 45 was the most successful Pakistan bowler.

Pakistan ended their four-match losing streak in Kolkata on 31 October when they convincingly beat Bangladesh by seven wickets. Shaheen Shah Afridi and Mohammad Wasim Jnr took three wickets apiece to dismiss Bangladesh for 204 in 45.1 overs. Fakhar Zaman (81) and Abdullah Shafique (68) put on 128 runs for the first wicket as Pakistan achieved victory in 32.3 overs.

On 4 November in Bengaluru, Fakhar Zaman played one of the most punishing and destructive innings in 50-over World Cup history as he belted eight fours and 11 sixes in an 81-ball 126 not out to salvage maximum points for Pakistan after New Zealand had posted 401 for six. Together with Babar Azam (66 not out), Fakhar added 194 runs in 141 balls for the second wicket to take Pakistan to 200 for one in 25.3 overs before rain ended the match prematurely. This gave Pakistan a 21-run victory via the Duckworth-Lewis-Stern (DLS) method. For New Zealand, Rachin Ravindra (108), Kane Williamson (95), Glenn Phillips (41), and Mark Chapman (39) were the main run-getters, while Shaheen Shah Afridi had forgettable figures of 10-0-90-0. Mohammad Wasim Jnr took three wickets for 60 runs.

In Pakistan's ninth and last league match in Kolkata on 11 November, England posted 337 for nine and then bowled Pakistan out for 244 in 43.3 overs to win by 93 runs. David Willey, for his 15 runs with the bat and three wickets for 56 runs with the ball, was named player of the match. For England, Ben Stokes top-scored with 84, followed by Joe Root (60), Jonny Bairstow (59), Dawid Malan (31), Harry Brook (30), and Jos Buttler (27). For Pakistan, Haris Rauf took three for 64. In their turn at the wicket, Salman Ali Agha with 51 was the top-scorer for Pakistan, followed by Babar Azam (38), Mohammad Rizwan (36), Haris Rauf (35), and Saud Shakeel (29).

In the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2023 for Pakistan, Mohammad Rizwan was the top-scorer with 395 runs, but it was Fakhar Zaman who impressed everyone with his 220 runs in just four matches, leaving pundits puzzled about his absence from the other five matches. Abdullah Shafique produced 336 runs, Babar Azam aggregated 320 runs, and Saud Shakeel contributed 241 runs.



TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	RUNS	HS	AVG	SR	100/50
Virat Kohli	India	11	765	117	95.63	90.32	3/6
Rohit Sharma	India	11	597	131	54.27	125.95	1/3
Quinton de Kock	South Africa	10	594	174	59.4	107.03	4/0

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	AVG	4WL	5WL
Mohammad Shami	India	7	24	7-57	3	1	3
Adam Zampa	Australia	11	23	4-8	0	3	0
Dilshan Madushanka	Sri Lanka	9	21	5-80	1	1	1





PAKISTAN IN AUSTRALIA FOR BENAUD-QADIR TROPHY (3 TESTS)

With a renewed mission under a new captain in Shan Masood and new Team Director Mohammad Hafeez, the Pakistan men's cricket team arrived in Perth on 30 November for the Benaud-Qadir Trophy, which was part of the ICC World Test Championship 2023-25. The three Tests were played in Perth, Melbourne and Sydney from 14 December 2023 to 6 January 2024, but the series result was no different to the previous 13 Test tours since 1964-65 – Pakistan lost the series in a lopsided contest.

All the three Tests finished inside four days. Pakistan lost in Perth by 360 runs, by 79 runs in the Boxing Day Test in Melbourne and the Sydney Test by eight wickets.

FIRST TEST

While Pakistan's wait for the maiden Test series win in Australia continued, Pakistan has now lost 17 straight Tests. Their last Test win was in Sydney in November 1995 when they won by 74 runs. In doing so, Shan Masood joined Wasim Akram (1999-2000), Inzamam-ul-Haq (2004-2005), Mohammad Yousuf (2009-10), Misbah-ul-Haq (2016-17) and Azhar Ali (2019-20) as captains to return winless from Australia.

None of the Pakistan batters managed to score a century though eight half-centuries were scored, while Aamir Jamal turned out to be the only bowler to take five wickets in an innings– first in the opening Test and then in the third Test. In contrast, David Warner scored the only century of the series, while 11 half-centuries were scored by the Australia batters – four alone by Mitchell Marsh. Australia captain Pat Cummins had a 10-fer and a five-fer.

David Warner started his final Test series with a bang in Perth when he scored 164 to help Australia score 487. Aamir Jamal impressed everyone with figures of 20.2-1-111-6. In turn, Pakistan were dismissed for 271 with Imam-ul-Haq scoring 62 and Abdullah Shafique contributing 42 in a first wicket partnership of 74. Instead of enforcing a follow-on, Australia batted and at the back of Usman Khawaja's 90 and Mitchell Marsh's 63 not out, declared their second innings at 233 for five. Pakistan capitulated for 89 in 30.2 overs under the pressure of 450-run target with Saud Shakeel scoring 24. Marsh, who had also scored 90 in the first innings, was adjudged player of the match.

SECOND TEST

In the second Test in Melbourne, Aamir Jamal picked up three wickets and Mir Hamza, Hasan Ali and Shaheen Shah Afridi bagged two wickets apiece to dismiss Australia for 318. However, Pakistan were unable to take advantage of half-centuries from Abdullah Shafique (62) and Shan Masood (54) to be sent packing for 264 after being 124 for one. Pat Cummins bagged five wickets for 48 runs and Nathan Lyon took four wickets for 73 runs. In the second innings, Australia slipped to 16 for four before Marsh (96) and Steve Smith (50) added 153 runs for the fifth wicket to lift the home team to 262. Mir Hamza and Shaheen Shah Afridi took four wickets each, conceding 32 and 76 runs, respectively. Chasing 317 runs for victory, Pakistan collapsed from 110 for two to 237 all out to lose by 79 runs. Shan Masood (60), Salman Ali Agha (50) and Babar Azam (41) were the notable run-getters, while Cummins bagged five wickets for 49 runs to complete a 10-wicket haul.

THIRD TEST

In Sydney, Pakistan batted first and posted 313 runs in their first innings with Mohammad Rizwan top-scoring with 88 and Aamir Jamal contributing an entertaining 82 from 97 balls with nine fours and four sixes. Cummins snapped up five wickets for 61 runs. Aamir Jamal grabbed six wickets for 69 to bowl Australia out for 299, giving Pakistan a 14-run first-innings lead. However, Pakistan plummeted to 115 all-out in the second innings after losing eight wickets for 57 runs. Debutant Saim Ayub top scored with 33, while Josh Hazlewood and Nathan Lyon took four and three wickets, respectively. Chasing 130 runs for a 3-0 sweep, Marnus Labuschagne (62 not out) and David Warner (57) put on 119 runs for the second wicket to their team hope with eight wickets to spare. Off-spinner Sajid Khan took both the Australia wickets to fall.

Shaheen Shah Afridi missed the Sydney Test to prepare for the five-T20I series against New Zealand, while mystery spinner Abrar Ahmed returned home without competing due to fitness reasons.

The top-five batters of the series were all Australians – Mitchell Marsh (344), David Warner (299), Usman Khawaja (220), Marnus Labuschagne (207) and Steve Smith (194). For Pakistan, Mohammad Rizwan topped the batting chart with 193 runs (two Tests), Shan Masood (181) and Aamir Jamal (143).

Amongst the top-five bowlers, Aamir Jamal with 18 wickets was just one wicket behind leading wicket-taker Pat Cummins. Nathan Lyon (13), Mitchell Starc (12) and Josh Hazlewood (11) were the other bowlers to enjoy success during the 12 days of Test cricket in









TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	RUNS	HS	AVG	SR	100/50
Mitchell Marsh	Australia	3	344	96	86	71.97	0/4
David Warner	Australia	3	299	164	49.83	65.28	1/1
Usman Khawaja	Australia	3	220	90	36.67	40.74	0/1

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	AVG	4WL	5WL
Pat Cummins	Australia	3	19	5-48	12	0	3
Aamir Jamal	Pakistan	3	18	6-69	20.44	0	2
Nathan Lyon	Australia	3	13	4-73	26.69	1	0

PAKISTAN IN NEW ZEALAND (5 T20IS)

Under a new white-ball captain, Pakistan launched their ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2024 preparations in New Zealand when they played five T20Is at the back of a three-Test tour of Australia. Like Shan Masood replaced Babar Azam as the red-ball captain, Shaheen Shah Afridi took over from Babar for white-ball cricket. Mohammad Hafeez continued as Team Director for the white-ball matches after replacing Mickey Arthur following the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2023.

Despite changes in the leadership and management, the results remained unchanged as Pakistan only managed to earn a consolation win in Christchurch on 21 January when they won by 42 runs. In this match, Pakistan scored 134 for eight with Mohammad Rizwan scoring 38 and Fakhar Zaman contributing 33. In turn, New Zealand were dismissed for 92 in 17.2 overs with Iftikhar Ahmed taking three for 24 and Mohammad Nawaz and Shaheen Shah Afridi taking two wickets apiece.

In the opening match in Auckland on 12 January, Daryl Mitchell scored 61, Kane Williamson scored 57 and Finn Allen hit a rapid 34 to lift the Black Caps to 226 for eight. Mohammad Abbas Afridi and Shaheen Shah Afridi were the pick of bowlers with three for 34 and three for 46, respectively while Haris Rauf took two for 34. In turn, Pakistan were bowled out for 180 in 18 overs with Babar Azam top-scoring with 57, followed by Saim Ayub (27), Mohammad Rizwan (25) and Iftikhar Ahmed (24). Tim Southee took four wickets for 25 runs.

Two days later in Hamilton, New Zealand went 2-0 up in the series after winning the match by 21 runs. Batting first, Finn Allen scored a 41-ball 74 to lift his side to 194 for eight. Haris Rauf and Abbas Afridi took five wickets between them conceding 38 and 43 runs, respectively. In turn, Babar Azam and Fakhar Zaman scored 66 and 50, respectively and put on 87 runs for the third wicket before their side capitulated to 173 all-out in 19.3 overs. Adam Milne took four wickets for 33 runs.



For the second time in five days, New Zealand crossed the 200-run mark as they totaled 224 for seven in the third match in Dunedin. Fin Allen continued to toy with the Pakistan bowling, scoring 137 from 62 balls with five fours and 16 sixes. Mohammad Wasim Jnr and Zaman Khan were the two most economical bowlers, conceding 35 and 37 runs, respectively besides picking up a wicket each. Babar Azam was once again amongst runs for Pakistan when he top-scored with 58 but Pakistan fell short by 45 runs after finishing at 179 for seven.

On 19 January in Christchurch, Pakistan batted first for the first time in the series but it had little bearing on the series. Mohammad Rizwan returned unbeaten on a 63-ball 90 as Pakistan managed 158 for five. New Zealand romped to victory in 18.1 overs for the loss of three wickets with Daryl Mitchell scoring a 44-ball 72 not out and Glenn Phillips scoring a 52-ball 70 not out. The two put 139 runs for the unfinished fourth wicket off 93 balls.

Babar Azam was the most successful Pakistan batter in the series with 213 runs (142 strike-rate), followed by Mohammad Rizwan (184, 131.42 strike-rate) and Fakhar Zaman (126, 165.78 strike-rate). Shaheen Shah Afridi with nine wickets (8.94 economy) was the pick of bowlers, followed by Haris Rauf (seven wickets, 10.61 economy).



MOST RUNS IN THE SERIES



Finn Allen
275
Runs



Babar Azam
213
Runs



Mohammad Rizwan
184
Runs

MOST WICKETS IN THE SERIES



Tim Southee
10
Wickets



Shaheen Shah Afridi
9
Wickets



Adam Milne
7
Wickets

TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	RUNS	HS	AVG	SR	100/50
Finn Allen	New Zealand	5	275	137	55	195.04	1/1
Babar Azam	Pakistan	5	213	66	42.6	142	0/3
Mohammad Rizwan	Pakistan	5	184	90*	46	131.43	0/1

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	AVG	4WL	5WL
Tim Southee	New Zealand	5	10	4-25	14	1	0
Shaheen Shah Afridi	Pakistan	5	9	3-34	19.22	0	0
Adam Milne	New Zealand	3	7	4-33	18.86	1	0

NEW ZEALAND IN PAKISTAN (5 T20IS)

Babar Azam commenced his second innings as Pakistan's T20I captain with a five-T20I series against New Zealand from 18-27 April. The first three T20Is were played in Rawalpindi, while the remaining two were held in Lahore.

After the opener was rained off after just two balls, Pakistan won the second match by seven wickets before New Zealand won back-to-back matches by seven wickets and four runs, respectively. Pakistan salvaged the series by winning the last match by nine runs. Twelve months ago, the two sides had also played a 2-2 draw in Pakistan, while in the January series, New Zealand had emerged as a 4-1 winner in their backyard.

In the second match, Shaheen Shah Afridi took three for 13, and Mohammad Amir, Abrar Ahmed and Shadab Khan claimed two wickets apiece to bowl New Zealand out for 90 in 18.1 overs. Mohammad Rizwan, batting at No.3, scored 45 not out off 34 balls with four fours and a six as Pakistan raced to victory in 12.1 overs for the loss of Saim Ayub (four), Babar Azam (14) and Usman Khan (seven).

In the third match, Mark Chapman scored a 42-ball 87 not out with nine fours and four sixes to earn New Zealand a seven wickets victory after the tourists had slipped to 53 for two in pursuit of a 179-run target. Earlier, Pakistan scored 178 for four with Shadab Khan top-scoring with 41, followed by Babar Azam (37), Saim Ayub (32), Muhammad Irfan Khan (30 not out) and Mohammad Rizwan (22, retired hurt).

In the fourth match, New Zealand fast bowler William O'Rourke returned figures of 4-0-27-3 and Ben Sears took two for 27 as Pakistan fell four runs short of the target by finishing at 174 for eight. Fakhar Zaman with 61 from 45 balls with four fours and three sixes was the top-scorer. Earlier, New Zealand's 178 for seven revolved around opener Tim Robinson's 51, Dean Foxcroft's 34 and Tom Blundell's 28. For Pakistan, Mohammad Abbas Afridi took three for 20.

In the fifth T20I, Babar Azam top-scored with 69 and was well supported by Fakhar Zaman (43) and Usman Khan (31) as Pakistan posted 178 for five. In turn, New Zealand were bowled out for 169 in 19.2 overs after opener Tim Seifert's 33-ball 52 with seven fours and two sixes, and Josh Clarkson's 26-ball 38 not out. Shaheen Shah Afridi returned figures of 4-0-30-4 to win the player of the match and player of the series awards.





MOST RUNS IN THE SERIES



Mark Chapman
126
Runs



Babar Azam
125
Runs



Fakhar Zaman
104
Runs

MOST WICKETS IN THE SERIES



Shaheen Shah Afridi
8
Wickets



Abbas Afridi
5
Wickets



William ORourke
4
Wickets

TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	RUNS	HS	AVG	SR	100/50
Mark Chapman	New Zealand	5	126	87	42	159.49	0/1
Babar Azam	Pakistan	5	125	69	31.25	138.89	0/2
Fakhar Zaman	Pakistan	2	104	61	52	133.33	0/3

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	AVG	4WL	5WL
Shaheen Shah Afridi	Pakistan	4	8	4-30	10	1	0
Mohammad Abbas Afridi	Pakistan	3	5	3-20	14.2	0	0
William ORourke	New Zealand	3	4	3-27	21.25	0	0

PAKISTAN IN IRELAND AND ENGLAND (7 T20IS)

After the home T20Is against New Zealand, Pakistan's next stop-over in the build-up to the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2024 was Ireland and the United Kingdom from 10-30 May. Three matches were held in Dublin from 10-14 May, while Leeds, Birmingham, Cardiff and The Oval in London staged matches from 22-30 May.

Although Pakistan won the Dublin series before losing T20Is in Birmingham and The Oval as Leeds and Cardiff matches were washed-out, defeat in the tour opener to a lowly-ranked Ireland left a big scar on the side that continued to haunt them for the rest of the European and US tour.

Ireland, which had also eliminated Pakistan from the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2007 in Kingston, Jamaica, upset Pakistan's applecart by chasing down the 183-run target for the loss of five wickets with one-ball to spare. Ireland had required 46 runs from the last five overs. Opener Andy Balbirnie laid the foundation of an upset victory by scoring a 55-ball 77. Harry Tector (36), George Dockrell (24), Gareth Delany (10 not out) and Curtis Campher (15 not out) gave final touches to a historic Ireland victory. Pakistan's 182 for six had revolved around Babar Azam's 57, Saim Ayub's 45 and Iftikhar Ahmed's 37 not out.

Pakistan came back strongly and powerfully in the second and third T20Is, but the critics continued to beat the drum of the first T20I.

In the second T20I, Pakistan overhauled the 194-run target for the loss of three wickets in 16.5 overs. Mohammad Rizwan (75 not out) and Fakhar Zaman (78) put on 140 runs off 78 balls for the third wicket, before Azam Khan finished off the match with a 10-ball 30 not out. Earlier, Lorcan Tucker (51), Harry Tector (32) and Gareth Delany (28 not out) lifted Ireland from 34 for two to 193 for seven.

Shaheen Shah Afridi took three for 14 to limit Ireland to 178 for seven with Lorcan Tucker top-scoring with 73. Babar Azam led the run-chase with a 42-ball 75, while Mohammad Rizwan contributed 56 as the two batters put on 139 runs for the third wicket in 74 balls to take Pakistan hope with three overs to spare.

The series between the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2022 finalists was affected by rain as the first T20I in Leeds and third T20I in Cardiff were washed out. In the second T20I in Birmingham, England won by 23 runs, while England won comfortably by seven wickets in The Oval T20I.

In Birmingham, England captain Jos Buttler slapped eight fours and three sixes in a 51-ball 84, while Will Jacks scored 37 and Jonny Bairstow chipped in with 21 as England posted 183 for seven. In turn, Pakistan were dismissed for 160 in 19.2 overs with Fakhar Zaman scoring 45, Babar Azam scoring 32, and Iftikhar Ahmed and Imad Wasim contributing 23 and 22 runs, respectively. Reece Topley with three wickets was the pick of England bowlers.

At The Oval, Pakistan were bowled out for 157 in 19.5 overs with the top-three – Usman Khan (38), Babar Azam (36) and Mohammad Rizwan (23) among runs. In the lower-order, Iftikhar Ahmed scored 21 and Naseem Shah contributed 16. In turn, England raced to victory for the loss of three wickets in 15.3 overs with Phil Salt scoring 45, Jos Buttler 39, Jonny Bairstow 28 not out and Will Jacks 20.

Jos Buttler was named player of the second T20I and the series, while Adil Rashid won the player of the fourth T20I awards.







TOP 3 BATTERS IN PAKISTAN VS IRELAND SERIES

NAME	TEAM	MATS	RUNS	HS	AVG	SR	100/50
Mohammad Rizwan	Pakistan	3	132	75	66	150	0/2
Babar Azam	Pakistan	3	132	75	44	148.31	0/2
Andy Balbirnie	Ireland	3	128	77	42.67	134.74	0/1

TOP 3 BOWLERS IN PAKISTAN VS IRELAND SERIES

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	AVG	4WL	5WL
Shaheen Shah Afridi	Pakistan	3	7	3-14	12.71	0	0
Mohammad Abbas Afridi	Pakistan	3	6	2-33	18.67	0	0
Mark Adair	Ireland	3	5	3-28	22.2	0	0

TOP 3 BATTERS IN PAKISTAN VS ENGLAND SERIES

NAME	TEAM	MATS	RUNS	HS	AVG	SR	100/50
Jos Buttler	England	2	123	84	61.5	173.24	0/1
Babar Azam	Pakistan	2	68	36	34	141.67	0/0
Phil Salt	England	2	58	45	29	170.59	0/1

TOP 3 BOWLERS IN PAKISTAN VS ENGLAND SERIES

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	AVG	4WL	5WL
Haris Rauf	Pakistan	2	5	3-38	14.4	0	0
Liam Livingstone	England	2	3	2-17	8.67	0	0
Reece Topley	England	1	3	3-41	13.67	0	0

ICC MEN'S T20 WORLD CUP 2024 (4 T20IS)

The ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2024, held from 1-29 June in the United States of America (USA) and the Caribbean countries, proved to be an event of ifs and buts for the Pakistan men's cricket team. Pakistan should have progressed to the Super Eight stage from Group A that also included Canada, India, Ireland and the USA. However, against all odds, it didn't happen.

Haris Rauf conceded 11 runs off the last three balls against the USA that took Pakistan's opener into the Super Over in Dallas. In the Super Over, Mohammad Amir bowled a nine-ball over in which the USA scored 18 runs (11 with the bat). In turn, Fakhar Zaman remained stranded at the non-striker's end as Iftikhar Ahmed and Shadab Khan managed 13 runs (seven with the bat) to fall short by five runs.

In the next match in New York, Pakistan held India by the scruff of their necks after they needed 37 runs off 30 balls before capitulating to a six-run defeat. Chasing 120 for victory, Pakistan managed two runs in the 16th over, five runs in the 17th over, nine runs in the 18th over and three runs in the 19th over, to leave themselves with 18 runs off the last six balls. The margin of defeat was reduced by Naseem Shah, who scored nine runs off the last three balls.

Despite back-to-back losses, Pakistan was in contention to move forward. For this to happen, Ireland had to beat the USA on 14 June and Pakistan had to win their last match against Ireland on 16 June. However, Florida rains had the last laugh as the Ireland-USA match was washed out, meaning the USA qualified for the Super Eight Stage even though Pakistan had the better of Ireland by three wickets after having earlier defeated Canada by seven wickets in New York on 11 June.

While Pakistan was left to rue lost chances due to their own faults, India continued to dominate the tournament and showed nerves of steel when it mattered most to lift the silverware for the second time in 17 years. In the final, India defeated South Africa by seven runs after the African side had needed 24 runs off 24 balls with six wickets standing, to win their first senior Men's ICC event since 1998.

The victory in Barbados also brought international T20I curtains on the stellar 125-match career of Virat Kohli, who top-scored in the final with a 59-ball 76 that lifted India to 176 for seven. In turn, Heinrich Klaasen slapped five sixes and two fours in a 27-ball 52, but when he departed to leave South Africa needing 24 runs off 23 balls, the African side's innings fell apart as Hardik Pandya took three for 20 and Jasprit Bumrah claimed two for 18.

India had reached the final after comprehensively defeating England by 68 runs and South Africa had made short work of first-time semifinalists Afghanistan by nine wickets.

Afghanistan reaching their first world event semifinal remained one of the highlights of the event, credit of which has to be given to the Pakistan Cricket Board who helped their Asia neighbours to continue to fulfil their dreams on their shores in the 1990s and 2000s as well as the ICC for creating international opportunities and providing them additional resources and funds.

Event co-hosts United States reaching the Super Eight Stage was another positive story from the 20-team 55-match tournament. Nepal were not too far behind and also demonstrated they had the skill and enthusiasm to move up the ladder when they stretched South Africa to the limits before going down by one run.

USA beating Canada by seven wickets, Namibia beating Oman in a Super Over, Uganda beating Papua New Guinea (PNG) by three wickets, Oman scaring Australia before going down by 39 runs, Canada beating Ireland by 12 runs, Afghanistan beating New Zealand by 84 runs, Bangladesh beating Sri Lanka by two wickets and Afghanistan beating Australia by 21 runs to eliminate the 2021 champions were the other few results that made the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2024 an event to remember.

While there were positive stories to tell, there were some negatives as well.

Three of the four matches in Florida were washed out; Sri Lanka and New Zealand also followed in the footsteps of Pakistan; and New York's Nassau County International Cricket Stadium's drop-in pitches made global headlines that forced the ICC to recognise the pitches had not played as consistently as they would have wanted. Canada's 137 for seven against Ireland was the highest total recorded at the Nassau County International Cricket Stadium, while India's 111 for three against the USA proved to be the most successful run-chase.



In the lead-up to the T20 World Cup, 12 competitive matches against New Zealand, Ireland and England were arranged with Pakistan managing to win four and losing five with three being abandoned due to rain.









In their tournament opener, Pakistan, sent into bat, scored 159 for seven with Babar Azam top-scoring with 44, Shadab Khan scoring 40 and Shaheen Shah Afridi chipping in with a rapid 23 not out. In turn, the USA finished with 159 for three with captain Monank Patel scoring 50, and Aaron Jones and Andries Gous scoring 36 not out and 35 runs, respectively.

Against India, Naseem Shah and Haris Rauf took three wickets apiece, and Mohammad Amir took two wickets as the arch-rivals were skilled out for 119 in 19 overs. Pakistan then finished at 113 for seven after being 73 for two in 12.1 overs at one stage. Jasprit Bumrah with three for 14 was named as player of the match.

Against Canada, Mohammad Amir and Haris Rauf took wickets each to restrict the opponents out to 106 for seven. Mohammad Rizwan scored 53 not out and Babar Azam scored 33 as Pakistan achieved victory for the loss of three wickets in 17.3 overs.

In the last league match with elimination already confirmed, Imad Wasim returned figures of 4-0-8-3, Shaheen Shah Afridi returned figures of 4-0-22-3 and Mohammad Amir took two for 11 to limit the Ireland for 106 for nine. In turn, Pakistan reached 111 for seven in 18.5 overs with Babar Azam scoring 32 not out.

Pakistan's unexpected first-round elimination came after they had reached the semifinals in 2021 and final in 2022 – all under Babar Azam. However, this was not the first time Pakistan had faltered at the first hurdle. They had faced similar fates in the 2014 and 2016 events in Bangladesh and India, respectively.

The next ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 will be held in India and Sri Lanka for which Pakistan has already sealed a place, along with hosts and champions India, Afghanistan, Australia, Bangladesh, England, Ireland, New Zealand, South Africa, Sri Lanka, USA and the West Indies are the other sides to have qualified – either by reaching the Super Eight Stage or being inside the top-10 of the ICC T20I Team Rankings.







WOMEN'S
INTERNATIONAL CRICKET

SOUTH AFRICA IN PAKISTAN (3 T20IS, 3 ODIS)

South Africa women's cricket team under Laura Wolvaardt embarked on their maiden journey to Pakistan for a bilateral series from 27 August 2023. South Africa team featured in three T20Is and three ODIs from 1 to 14 September. The three ODIs were part of the ICC Women's Championship 2022-25.

The bilateral series against South Africa was Pakistan women's team first series of the 2023-24 season, with Nida Dar leading the side after Bismah Maroof stepped down from the captaincy at the end of ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2023 in South Africa.

The three-match T20I series, which was played under lights at the National Bank Stadium in Karachi, saw the hosts completely dominating the visitors. Pakistan women's team whitewashed the South Africa's side – the runners-up of the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2023, becoming the first Asian side to complete a whitewash against South Africa at home.

Pakistan defeated South Africa by five and seven wickets in the opening two T20Is, respectively, while a disciplined bowling performance from the bowlers helped the hosts clinch a six-run win in the third T20I.

Even though Wolvaardt clinched the player of the series title with 157 runs from three matches, but for Pakistan, Sidra Amin provided a solid start to the innings in all three outings, scoring 133 runs at an average of 44.33 with one half-century to her name. In the bowling unit, left-arm spinners Nashra Sundhu and Sadia Iqbal performed well, both bagging four wickets each.

In the three-match ODI series, also part of the ICC Women's Championship 2022-25, the touring side made a strong comeback and won the series 2-1. Senior players Marizanne Kapp and Sune Luus scored centuries in the first ODI to help their side to a comprehensive 127-run win over Pakistan at the National Bank Stadium.

The second ODI saw the home side being bowled out for a paltry 168, with number eight batter Fatima Sana and number five batter Aliya Riaz contributing with half-centuries. For South Africa, Nadine de Klerk was the most successful bowler with four for 32 in eight overs. South Africa achieved the target in 34 overs to take an unassailable lead in the three-match series.

In the third ODI, Pakistan women's team dominated the match from the start. After opting to bat first, South Africa were bundled out for 185 in 48.1 overs. Spinners Nashra Sundhu, Nida Dar and Sadia Iqbal grabbed two wickets each.

In turn, half-centuries by Sidra Amin (68, 82b, 6x4s) and Bismah Maroof (60 not out, 98b, 5x4s) helped Pakistan achieve the target in 38 overs losing two wickets in the process and clinching two important points of ICC Women's Championship.

The series also saw three women cricketers Shawaal Zulfiqar (ODI & T20I), Umm-e-Hani (T20I) and Waheeda Akhtar (ODI) making their debuts for Pakistan women's team.









HANGZHOU 2022 ASIAN GAMES (3 T20IS)

The 19th Asian Games was held in Hangzhou, China from 23 September to 8 October 2023. Pakistan women's team also featured in the event, aiming for their third gold medal after winning the last two editions which took place in 2010 and 2014, previously.

Pakistan qualified directly for the quarter-finals by virtue of being one of the top four ICC-ranked sides in the continent. They advanced to the semi-finals after their quarter-final match against Indonesia was abandoned due to rain.

In the semi-final match against Sri Lanka on 24 September, Pakistan managed to score 75 for nine in their allotted 20 overs. In reply, Sri Lanka achieved the target in the 17th over, with six wickets in hand.

In the bronze medal game, Pakistan, after being asked to bat first against Bangladesh, scored 64 for nine in 20 overs. Bangladesh chased the target in the 19th over with five wickets in hand, clinching the bronze medal. For Pakistan, left-arm spinner Nashra Sundhu was the most successful bowler, taking three wickets for 10 runs.





PAKISTAN IN BANGLADESH (3 T20IS, 3 ODIS)

Pakistan women's cricket team toured Bangladesh for a bilateral series consisting of three T20Is and three ODIs from 25 October to 10 November. The series was played in Chattogram and Mirpur, with the ODI series being part of the ICC Women's Championship 2022-25.

The T20I series was won by the hosts 2-1, with the visiting team winning the third T20I by 31 runs courtesy of a half-century by Muneeba Ali (61, 49b, 8x4s). Muneeba added a 106-run partnership for the second wicket with Bismah Maroof (48, 49b, 2x4s) as Pakistan after batting first scored 132 for four in their 20 overs.

In turn, Aliya Riaz and Sadia Iqbal bagged two wickets apiece, restricting the Bangladesh side to a score of 101 for nine in their allotted 20 overs.

In the ODI series, the visitors took the momentum of the T20I match win into the first ODI and dismissed the hosts for a paltry 81 after they opted to bat first. For Pakistan, Sadia Iqbal was again amongst the wickets, as she bagged four wickets for 13 runs. She was supported by off-spinners Nida Dar and Umm-e-Hani, who took three wickets each.

In the run-chase, Pakistan lost five wickets, but Nida played a captain's innings and helped her side to a five-wicket win with 25.1 overs to go. She scored an unbeaten 35 off 59 balls, laced with three fours.

The second ODI went to the wire as the hosts held their nerves to clinch a win in the Super Over. Opting to bat at the Shere Bangla National Stadium in Mirpur, Bangladesh managed to score 169 for nine in 50 overs. Nigar Sultana, captain of the Bangladesh women's team, scored the only half-century of the match. Her 104-ball 54 innings included three fours. For Pakistan, Nashra and Sadia bagged two wickets each.

In reply, Pakistan also scored 169 and were all out in the 50th over. In the super over, chasing eight to win, Nigar struck a boundary off the final ball to take her side home.

In the third ODI, after opting to bat first, Pakistan scored 166 for nine in 50 overs on the back of an unbeaten 84 off 143 balls by Sidra Amin, which included three fours. In reply, Bangladesh chased down the target in the 46th over with seven wickets in hand. For the winning side, opening batters Fargana Hoque (62, 113b, 5x4s) and Murshida Khatun (54, 106b, 6x4s) scored half-centuries and knitted a 125-run partnership for the first wicket.

On the tour, wicketkeeper-batter Najiha Alvi made her T20I & ODI debut while Waheeda Akhtar got her T20I cap.





PAKISTAN IN NEW ZEALAND (3 T20IS, 3 ODIS)

Pakistan women's team had a historic tour to New Zealand in December 2023. The tour included a series of three T20Is and as many ODIs against the New Zealand women's team, also known as the White Ferns.

Pakistan women's team, who had never beaten New Zealand in the T20I format before the series, not only defeated the hosts in the first T20I, but also won the second T20I to take an unassailable lead in the series. Pakistan won the three-match T20I series 2-1.

In the first T20I at the University Oval in Dunedin, White Ferns' captain Sophie Devine after winning the toss decided to bat first. White Ferns managed to score 127 for six in their 20 overs. Maddy Green, coming to bat at number five, scored an unbeaten 43 off 28 balls, smashing five fours. For Pakistan, Fatima Sana was the pick of the bowlers, taking three wickets for 18 runs from her quota of four overs.

In reply, opening batter Shawaal Zulfiqar's 41 off 42 balls, which included seven fours and quick-fire contributions of 23 and 25 runs from Nida Dar and Aliya Riaz, respectively helped Pakistan achieve the target with 10 balls to spare and seven wickets in hand. Right-arm fast Fatima was declared the best player of the match.

In the second T20I held on 5 December at the same venue, Pakistan after being put into bat, scored 137 for six in their allotted 20 overs. Muneeba Ali top-scored for the side, scoring 35 off 28 balls, hitting six fours. Aliya Riaz was again among the runs, scoring a quick-fire unbeaten 32 off 22 balls, hitting three fours and a six.

In turn, Pakistan bowlers never allowed White Ferns batters to settle as they were restricted to 127 for seven in 20 overs, handing over the touring side a 10-run win. Fatima again bagged three wickets, while left-arm spinner Sadia Iqbal grabbed two wickets.

The third T20I at the John Davies Oval in Queenstown saw the hosts take a consolation win. Batting first, Pakistan scored 137 for five in 20 overs with opening batter Sidra Amin scoring 43. In reply, White Ferns were 101 for two in 15 overs when rain stopped the game and eventually, the home side won the game on DLS by six runs after no further play was possible. Fatima for her six wickets in the series and 21 runs with the bat, was named best player of the series.

The three-match ODI series saw White Ferns winning the series 2-1. Despite losing the first game by a margin of 131 runs, Pakistan team made a strong comeback, losing the second ODI by just one wicket, and winning the third ODI in a Super Over. The win in the third ODI was Pakistan's first-ever win over the White Ferns on New Zealand soil.

For Pakistan, Sidra Amin was the most successful batter in the ODI series, scoring 141 runs in three matches, including a century in the first ODI. In the bowling department, leg-spinner Ghulam Fatima was the top wicket-taker in the series, bagging six wickets, which included four for 47 in the second ODI in Christchurch.



WEST INDIES IN PAKISTAN (3 ODIS, 5 T20IS)

West Indies women's cricket team arrived in Karachi on 14 April to feature in three ODIs and five T20Is. The ODI series was Pakistan women's team last ICC Women's Championship matches at home. Although West Indies women won all three games, but the second ODI went to the wire, with the visiting side securing win on the last ball as Karishma Ramharack struck a boundary off Fatima Sana's bowling.

West Indies captain Hayley Matthews was the standout performer in the ODI series. She scored 325 runs from three outings, which included two centuries. In the bowling unit, Matthews also topped the charts with six wickets.

For Pakistan, captain Nida Dar also excelled, taking six wickets with her off-spin bowling. During the second ODI at the National Bank Stadium in Karachi on 21 April, she completed her 100 ODI wickets as well.

At the end of the ODI series, Pakistan's former captain Bismah Maroof, announced her retirement from international cricket. Bismah had featured in 276 international matches, scoring 6,262 runs and taking 80 wickets.

The five T20Is were won by West Indies 4-1. The first and third T20I were nail-bitters, with the hosts narrowly missing out on victories. The first T20I saw West Indies winning the match by one run, while in the third T20I, West Indies overcame Pakistan by just two runs. Pakistan's only win came in the fourth T20I, which they won by eight wickets courtesy three wickets from Sadia Iqbal and unbeaten 42 off 48 balls by Ayesha Zafar.

Matthews continued to shine in the T20I series, earning three player of the match awards and player of the series award.



















PAKISTAN IN ENGLAND (3 ODIS, 3 T20IS)

Pakistan's women's team had traveled to England in May to feature in their final ICC Women's Championship 2022-25 series. Of the previous seven Women's Championship series, Pakistan had won against Ireland and Sri Lanka, and overall collected 16 points from 21 matches.

On the tour to England, Pakistan women's team also featured in three T20Is, which were played from 11 to 19 May. In the first T20I played at Edgbaston in Birmingham on 11 May, Pakistan bowlers had a great start, clinching four wickets of the hosts for just 11 runs. England captain Heather Knight (49, 44b, 6x4s) and Amy Jones (37, 27b, 6x4s) then knitted a 67-run partnership for the fifth wicket. Danielle Gibson's unbeaten 41 off 21 balls, which included eight boundaries helped her side post 163 for six in 20 overs.

In reply, Pakistan had a decent batting powerplay, scoring 57 for two in six overs. However, after the departure of Sadaf Shamas (35, 24b, 7x4s) in the 11th over, Pakistan had a batting collapse and were dismissed for 110 in 18.2 overs.

In the second T20I, despite restricting England to 144 for six in 20 overs, Pakistan struggled in the batting department and were bundled out for 79 in the 16th over, handing England a 65-run win.

In the third T20I at Headingley in Leeds, chasing a 177-run target to win, Pakistan managed to score 142 for four in their 20 overs. Aliya Riaz top-scored for the side with an unbeaten 35 off 27 balls, which included four boundaries. Earlier, in the first innings, Danni Wyatt top-scored for England, scoring a 48-ball 87, which included 12 fours and a six. For Pakistan, Diana Baig and Nida Dar bagged three wickets apiece.

In the three-match ODI series, Pakistan lost the series 2-0, with the second ODI being washed out due to rain. The first ODI played in Derby saw England scoring 243 for nine in 50 overs. For Pakistan, Nida bagged three wickets, while Aliya, Nashra Sundhu and Umm-e-Hani took two wickets each.

In turn, Pakistan fell 37 runs short of the target, ending on 206 for nine in 50 overs. Left-handed batter Muneeba was the top run-getter for the visitors, scoring 34 off 60 balls, hitting one four.

The second ODI in Taunton saw 6.5 overs of play, with Pakistan, after opting to bat first scored 29 for no loss.

The third and final ODI of the tour saw the hosts completely dominate from the start. After opting to bat first, England on the back of an unbeaten century by Nat Sciver-Brunt (124 not out, 117b, 14x4s, 2x6s) scored 302 for five in 50 overs. Off-spinner Umm-e-Hani was the most successful bowler, taking two wickets for 47 in her quota of 10 overs.

In reply, Muneeba Ali top-scored with a 55-ball 47, hitting seven boundaries as Pakistan could score only 124 for nine in 29.1 overs. Captain Nida couldn't bat due to a hamstring injury sustained during England's innings.

After the England series, Pakistan ended their ICC Women's Championship 2022-25 campaign with 17 points from 24 matches.





















HBL
PAKISTAN SUPER LEAGUE

HBL PAKISTAN SUPER LEAGUE 2024 (34 T20S)

With scores level at 159 and one ball remaining in the final, No.10 batter Hunain Shah elegantly found a boundary at backward point off Multan Sultans bowler Mohammad Ali to help Islamabad United win the HBL Pakistan Super League 2024 by two wickets at the National Bank Stadium, ending a five-year title drought. Following victories in the 2016 and 2018 events, this was their third title in nine editions.

Islamabad United required eight runs in the last over and started positively when Naseem Shah struck Ali's second delivery for a boundary at midwicket. After singles were scored off the following successive deliveries that leveled the scores, Ali dismissed Naseem off the penultimate delivery, caught at the wicket by Mohammad Rizwan. This brought Hunain to the crease, who delivered the final blow for United.

Martin Guptill (50, 32b, 4x3, 3x6) and Azam Khan (30, 22b, 4x4, 1x6) led Islamabad United's run-charge, with Imad Wasim (19 not out), Naseem Shah (17), and Colin Munro (17) making decent contributions. For Multan Sultans, Iftikhar Ahmed (two for 19) and Khushdil Shah (two for 21) were the pick of the bowlers.

Earlier, Imad Wasim returned figures of 4-0-23-5 and Shadab Khan registered figures of 4-0-32-3 to limit Multan Sultans to 159 for nine, with Usman Khan top-scoring with a 40-ball 57 (7x4, 1x6) and useful contributions from Iftikhar Ahmed (32 not out, 20b, 3x4, 3x6) and Mohammad Rizwan (26, 26b, 3x4).

The 34-match tournament was played in Karachi, Lahore, Multan and Rawalpindi from 17 February to 18 March. Karachi staged 11 matches (including the play-offs and final), Lahore and Rawalpindi hosted nine matches each, while Multan was the venue for five Multan Sultans matches. The Lahore and Multan-leg matches were played from 17-27 February, before action moved to Karachi and Rawalpindi.

After 30 league matches, Multan Sultans topped the table with seven wins, followed by Peshawar Zalmi (six wins), and Islamabad United and Quetta Gladiators (five wins apiece). Karachi Kings managed four wins, whereas two-time defending champions Lahore Qalandars finished at the bottom with just one win.

In the Qualifier, Multan Sultans defeated Peshawar Zalmi by seven wickets with nine balls to spare. Peshawar Zalmi batted first and managed 146 for seven, thanks to Babar Azam's 46, Tom Kohler-Cadmore's 24 and Mohammad Haris' 22. In turn, Yasir Khan scored 54 and Usman Khan and Iftikhar Ahmed chipped in with 36 not out and 22 not out, respectively, as the Sultans romped home for the loss of three wickets in 18.3 overs.

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Contrary to Multan Sultans and Peshawar Zalmi, Islamabad United were in trouble after managing three victories and a no-result in the seven league matches, before they peaked at the right time to defeat Karachi Kings, Multan Sultans, Quetta Gladiators (all league matches), Quetta Gladiators (Eliminator 1) and Peshawar Zalmi (Eliminator 2) on their way to lifting the silverware.

In Eliminator 1, Islamabad United brushed aside Quetta Gladiators in a one-sided affair by 39 runs with Imad Wasim winning the player of the match award for his three for 12 that spun Quetta Gladiators out for 135 in 18.4 overs. They were chasing Islamabad United's 174 for nine, which revolved around contributions from the top five, including Martin Guptill (56), Alex Hales (23), Salman Ali Agha (31), Shadab Khan (23), and Azam Khan (18).

There were three matches in which there was a match aggregate of 400 or more runs. The match between Islamabad United and Multan Sultans produced 460 runs for the loss of 11 wickets in Rawalpindi, the Lahore Qalandars and Peshawar Zalmi match yielded 414 runs for the loss of 10 wickets in Lahore and Multan Sultans and Peshawar Zalmi saw 404 runs being scored for the loss of 10 wickets in Rawalpindi.



BABAR AZAM

588

Leading run-scorer

In Eliminator 2, Imad Wasim (59 not out, 40b, 9x4) and Haider Ali (52 not out, 29b, 2x4, 5x6) put on 98 runs for the unbroken sixth-wicket partnership from 49 balls to help Islamabad United overhaul Peshawar Zalmi's 185 for five with six balls to spare. Islamabad United were 91 for five in 11 overs when Imad and Haider joined hands. Earlier, Saim Ayub (73, 44b, 6x4, 4x6), Mohammad Haris (40, 25b, 3x4, 2x6), and Babar Azam (25, 22b, 2x4, 1x6) lifted the team to a competitive score, with Naseem Shah taking three wickets for 30 runs.

Overall, the HBL Pakistan Super League 2024 saw 10 team totals of 200 or more, including United's 232-7 vs Multan Sultans, who had earlier posted 228-4 in Rawalpindi, Multan Sultans' 214-4 vs Lahore Qalandars, Peshawar Zalmi's 211-4 vs Lahore Qalandars, Quetta Gladiators' 206-5 vs Peshawar Zalmi in Lahore, Peshawar Zalmi's 204-5 vs Multan Sultans in Rawalpindi, Lahore Qalandars' 203-6 vs Peshawar Zalmi in Lahore, Peshawar Zalmi's 201-5 vs Islamabad United in Lahore and Multan Sultans' 200-5 vs Peshawar Zalmi in Rawalpindi.

On the individual front, four centuries were scored in the HBL Pakistan Super League 2024. Usman Khan of Multan Sultans scored two centuries notching 106 not out and 100 not out, Peshawar Zalmi's Babar Azam scored 111 not out and Rassie van der Dussen of Lahore Qalandars scored 104 not out.



USAMA MIR

24

Leading wicket-taker

TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Babar Azam	Peshawar Zalmi	11	11	569	142.61	1	5
Usman Khan	Multan Sultans	7	7	430	164.12	2	2
Mohammad Rizwan	Multan Sultans	12	12	407	122.22	0	4

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Usama Mir	Multan Sultans	12	24	6-40	11.71	8.14
Mohammad Ali	Multan Sultans	12	19	3-19	13.58	8.23
Abrar Ahmed	Quetta Gladiators	10	16	3-18	15.00	7.83

TEAM OF HBL PSL 9



Shadab Khan
(Islamabad United)



Saim Ayub
(Peshawar Zalmi)



Babar Azam
(Peshawar Zalmi)



Usman Khan
(Multan Sultans) (WK)



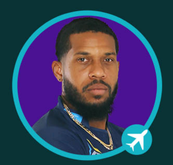
Iftikhar Ahmed
(Multan Sultans)



Imad Wasim
(Islamabad United)



M Irfan Khan
(Karachi Kings)



Chris Jordan
(Multan Sultans)



David Willey
(Multan Sultans)



Usama Mir
(Multan Sultans)



Naseem Shah
(Islamabad United)



M Rizwan
(Multan Sultans)

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

EMERGING PLAYER OF THE TOURNAMENT
MUHAMMAD IRFAN KHAN
(171 RUNS, KARACHI KINGS)

ALL-ROUNDER OF THE TOURNAMENT
SAIM AYUB
(345 RUNS, EIGHT WICKETS, PESHAWAR ZALMI)

FIELDER OF THE TOURNAMENT
MUHAMMAD IRFAN KHAN
(EIGHT CATCHES, KARACHI KINGS)

WICKET-KEEPER OF THE TOURNAMENT
AZAM KHAN
(10 DISMISSALS, 226 RUNS, ISLAMABAD UNITED)

BOWLER OF THE TOURNAMENT
USAMA MIR
(24 WICKETS, MULTAN SULTANS)

BATTER OF THE TOURNAMENT
USMAN KHAN
(430 RUNS, MULTAN SULTANS)

SPIRIT OF CRICKET AWARD
PESHAWAR ZALMI

UMPIRE OF THE TOURNAMENT
ASIF YAQOOB

HBL - PLAYER OF THE TOURNAMENT
SHADAB KHAN
(305 RUNS, 14 WICKETS, ISLAMABAD UNITED)

























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MEN'S
DOMESTIC CRICKET

INTER-DISTRICT SENIOR TOURNAMENT
(259 NON-FIRST-CLASS THREE-DAY MATCHES)

The Inter-District Senior Tournament 2023-24 took place from 16 July to 20 August 2023 across 101 districts/zones in the country. A total of 263 non first-class three-day matches took place in this tournament as over 1500 players vied for places in their respective regional sides at the end of the tournament.

Each match consisted of three days while there was a limit of 75 overs in the first innings. The tournament rules were set so that a maximum number of players got a chance to play as the teams were allowed to make just two changes after every two matches.

At the end of the tournament, several batters and bowlers proved their mettle and broke into their respective regional sides. Lodhran district's Humayun Altaf topped the run-scoring charts with 815 runs in six matches hitting five hundreds and one half-century. Pakpattan's Waqar Ul Hasan stood second on the table with 806 runs while Badin district's Rahimullah Nizamani scored 772 runs.

On the bowling front, Aamir Ali Taheem of Dadu district snapped 46 wickets while Shaheed Benazirabad's Jawad Ali picked up 45 wickets. Ashiq Ali (42 wickets), Sheran Malik (40 wickets) and Muhammad Rameez (40 wickets) were the other notable bowlers in the tournament.

TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Humayun Altaf	Lodhran	6	11	815	70.99	5	1
Waqar ul Hasan	Pakpattan	6	11	806	64.43	3	3
Rahimullah Nizamani	Badin	6	11	772	71.22	2	4

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Aamir Ali	Dadu	5	46	8-70	26.41	2.66
Jawad Ali	Shaheed Benazirabad	6	45	7-41	32.91	3.04
Ashiq Ali	Karachi Zone VI	5	43	7-39	33.64	3.07

HANIF MOHAMMAD TROPHY
(26 NON-FIRST-CLASS FOUR-DAY MATCHES)

The inaugural edition of the Hanif Mohammad Trophy took place from September 10 to October 22, 2023. Ten of the 18 regional teams participated in this non-first-class four-day matches competition, based on their standings in the 2018-19 domestic season.

A total of 26 matches were played in the tournament across four venues. Islamabad Region, the eventual winners of the Hanif Mohammad Trophy, began their campaign in Group A along with Quetta, Sialkot, Larkana and Azad Jammu and Kashmir, with their matches taking place at Muzaffarabad and Mirpur.

Group B consisted of Abbottabad, Hyderabad, Bahawalpur, Karachi Region Blues and Dera Murad Jamali while their matches took place at Rahim Yar Khan and Multan.

The tournament also served as the qualifying tournament for the premier first-class tournament Quaid-e-Azam Trophy. In this edition, Islamabad Region qualified for the QeA Trophy 2024-25 as they topped the Super Four stage edging Quetta Region by two points after having played three matches each.

Islamabad trumped Azad Jammu and Kashmir Region and Larkana Region by 10 wickets each in their first two group games while their next two games against Quetta Region and Sialkot Region were drawn. Along with Islamabad (71 points), Quetta Region (71 points) also bagged two wins and managed two draws finishing top of Group A.

Sialkot Region (62 points) were unlucky to miss out on the qualification for the Super Four stage as they too had the same number of wins and draws as Islamabad and Quetta but had nine fewer points than both the teams.

Abbottabad Region (80) and Hyderabad Region (59 points) qualified for the Super Four stage from Group B with three and two wins respectively.Bahawalpur Region (58 points) finished third while missing out on Super 4 qualification by a mere one point.

With a Quaid-e-Azam Trophy 2024-25 spot on the line, the four teams took on each other in a single round-robin Super Four stage with each team set to play three games. Islamabad Region, despite losing their last match of the Super Four stage against Quetta Region (52 points), became champions of the Hanif Mohammad Trophy with 54 points.

Islamabad beat Abbottabad and Hyderabad comprehensively in their first two Super-Four games.

The last Super Four stage game of Islamabad against Quetta played at Multan Cricket Stadium, saw a tussle of winning extra bowling and batting points to stay ahead of each other in the title race. Islamabad were bundled out for 150 in the first innings. In turn, Quetta, found themselves reeling at 120-5, they needed to score 200 to get one bonus point for batting but lost their last five wickets for 78 runs, managing only 198. Islamabad set a 191-run target for Quetta which they chased with five wickets in hand.

Despite the positive result, Quetta trailed Islamabad by two points and fell agonisingly short of the title.
Quetta on the other hand started their campaign with a defeat against Hyderabad, which, in the end, dented their chances of sealing the title, despite winning their last two games by a six wicket and five-wicket margin respectively. Hyderabad and Abbottabad had managed one win and lost two games each.

Islamabad's Hasan Nawaz finished as the top run-scorer with 530 runs with the help of one century and three half-centuries, Daniyal Hussain Rajput (526 runs), Mohammad Suleman (514 runs), Mohammad Ammar (510 runs) and Abdul Wahid Bangalzai (485 runs) were the notable batters.

In the bowling department, Hyderabad region's leg spinner Jawad Ali picked up 46 wickets in seven games at an average of 22 to top the charts. Left-arm spinners Jalat Khan and Shayan Sheikh were placed second and third with 44 and 37 wickets respectively.

TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Hasan Nawaz	Islamabad Region	7	13	530	72.11	1	3
Daniyal Hussain Rajput	Hyderabad Region	7	13	526	44.73	1	4
Mohammad Suleman	Hyderabad Region	7	12	514	45.93	2	2

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Jawad Ali	Hyderabad Region	7	46	7-23	44.30	3.00
Jalat Khan	Quetta Region	7	44	7-32	43.52	1.72
Shayan Sheikh	Islamabad Region	7	37	7-48	47.95	2.19

QUAID-E-AZAM TROPHY (29 FIRST-CLASS FOUR-DAY MATCHES)

Pakistan's premier first-class tournament, the Quaid-e-Azam Trophy, returned to the regional structure in the 2023-24 season as eight regions took on each other in a single round-robin format. The tournament was played from 10 September 2023 to 26 October 2023 in Abbottabad, Rawalpindi and Lahore.

A total number of 29 matches were played among Faisalabad Region, Karachi Region Whites, Lahore Region Blues, Lahore Region Whites, Peshawar Region, Multan Region, Rawalpindi Region and FATA Region.

Karachi Region Whites beat Faisalabad Region by a thumping margin of 456 runs in the final of the tournament which was played at Gaddafi Stadium, Lahore. Saim Ayub, player of the final, struck a magnificent double hundred (203 off 259 balls) while Shan Masood scored 180 as Karachi Region Whites racked up 543 all out on the board.

In return, Faisalabad had a horrendous outing with the bat as they were bundled out for 124 in 35.5 overs as Mir Hamza (5-44) and Shahnawaz Dahani (4-50) wreaked havoc with the ball. Karachi Region Whites, in the second innings, inflated their lead by adding 370 runs for the loss of seven wickets in the second innings. Saim Ayub struck yet another century (109 off 179 balls) with the help of 12 fours and one six while veteran batter Asad Shafiq scored 113 off 222 balls hitting 15 fours.

Chasing a mammoth 790-run target, Faisalabad folded for 333 runs with skipper Faheem Ashraf offering some resistance with a 147-run knock laced with 23 fours and two sixes.

Karachi Region Whites stood second on the points table at the end of the round-robin stage with two wins, five draws and no losses while Faisalabad Region topped the table after seven games with three wins, three draws and just one loss. Karachi Region Whites beat Peshawar Region by 116 and secured a dramatic one-wicket win against Rawalpindi Region on their way to the final of the tournament.

Lahore Region Blues missed out on the qualification to the final by a mere one point as they ended up third on the table with two wins, one loss and four draws securing 99 points, just one shy of Karachi Region Whites' 100-point tally.

Peshawar Region's Sahibzada Farhan topped the batting charts with 847 runs in seven matches with three tons and two half-centuries. Sarfaraz Ahmed (697 runs) and Asad Shafiq (670 runs) finished as the second and third leading run-scorers in the tournament respectively. Zain Abbas (665 runs), Ali Zaryab (644 runs), Kamran Ghulam (599 runs) and Saim Ayub (553 runs) were the other notable batters.

Faisalabad Region's Khurram Shahzad ended up as the leading wicket-taker with 36 wickets while Mir Hamza and Mohammad Ali bagged 32 and 28 wickets respectively. Kashif Ali (26 wickets), Ali Shafique (24 wickets) and Kashif Bhatti (23 wickets) too made their presence felt with the ball.

Sarfaraz Ahmed was named player of the tournament while Sahibzada Farhan and Khurram Shahzad were declared best batter and best bowler of the tournament respectively. Ali Shan bagged best wicket-keeper of the tournament award with 29 dismissals.



Sahibzada Farhan
847
Leading run-scorer



Khurram Shahzad
36
Leading wicket-taker

TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Sahibzada Farhan	Peshawar Region	7	10	847	72.58	3	2
Sarfaraz Ahmed	Karachi Region Whites	7	11	697	74.07	2	4
Asad Shafiq	Karachi Region Whites	8	13	670	53.05	3	2

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Khurram Shahzad	Faisalabad Region	8	36	6-23	38.08	3.20
Mir Hamza	Karachi Region Whites	8	32	6-37	41.38	3.03
Mohammad Ali	Faisalabad Region	8	28	5-45	45.71	3.33







HANIF MOHAMMAD CUP (26 45-OVER MATCHES)

Islamabad Region won the Hanif Mohammad Cup 2023-24 after they topped their group with four wins out of four games and then followed it up with three wins out of three games in the Super Four stage.

The One-Day tournament comprised 45-over games with the ten regions divided into two groups. Islamabad were joined by the Larkana Region, Quetta Region, Sialkot Region and Azam Jammu and Kashmir Region in Group B, whereas the Group A included the Abbottabad Region, Hyderabad Region, Karachi Region Blues, Dera Murad Jamali Region and Bahawalpur Region.

Islamabad's campaign began with a massive win over Larkana Region by a whopping margin of 146 runs at Multan Cricket Stadium. Sarmad Bhatti (85, 69b, 7x4s, 2x6s) and skipper Rohail Nazir led the team to 342 in the allotted 45 overs. Larkana, in turn, never looked competitive in the chase as they only scored 196-7 in their 45 overs.

Quetta Region too failed to challenge Islamabad in the next round as they were beaten by six wickets. A half-century by Hasan Nawaz helped them chase a 209-run target in 34.2 overs.

Sialkot tested Islamabad's resolve by challenging them with both bat and ball yet falling eight runs short. Islamabad scored 235 all out in their 45 overs after a tenth-wicket partnership yielded 29 runs. In turn, Sialkot's Salman Khan and Asad Ali Jnr struck vital half-centuries to push their team close to the target but Islamabad's Azan Tariq and Umair Afridi shared seven wickets among themselves to restrict Sialkot to 227 all out.

In their last group game, Islamabad racked up 193-7 in a rain-hit 30-over game at Rahim Yar Khan. Azad Jammu and Kashmir fell 32 runs short as Farmanullah Khan and Faizan Riaz picked up three wickets each. AJK, with three wins from four games, along with Islamabad, progressed to the Super Four stage.

Abbottabad Region and Hyderabad Region joined Islamabad and AJK in the Super Four stage. Islamabad continued their unbeaten streak in the Super Four stage as well with a thumping win over Hyderabad. Sarmad Bhatti propelled Islamabad to 309-4 with an unbeaten 82-ball 100 punctuated with five fours and three sixes while Faizan Riaz chipped in with 75 off 56 balls. Hyderabad, in pursuit of the mammoth total, fell 110 runs short as they scored 199 all out in 39.3 overs.

Abbottabad stood no chance against Islamabad as they were first bundled out for 129 with Musa Khan and Shayan Sheikh taking three wickets apiece. Opening batter Hasan Nawaz belted 77 off 45 balls with the help of nine fours and four sixes to help Islamabad to a nine-wicket win.

In their last game, Islamabad stamped their authority over AJK Region by squeezing them all out for a mere 99 and then chased the target with eight wickets in hand. With six points at the end of the Super Four stage, Islamabad were declared the winners of the Hanif Mohammad Cup 2023-24. Hyderabad finished second on the table with two wins and four points.

Hyderabad's Rizwan Mehmood became the top scorer with 361 runs in seven matches averaging 72. Mohammad Wasim (256 runs), Sarmad Bhatti (254 runs), Hasan Nawaz (229), Rohail Nazir (229) and Mohammad Suleman (229) were the other notable batters in the tournament.

Daniyal Hussain Rajput was the leading wicket-taker with 17 wickets while his teammates from the Hyderabad Region, Jawad Ali (16 wickets) and Majid Asghar (15 wickets) ended up as the second and third highest wicket-takers in the tournament.



TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Rizwan Mehmood	Hyderabad Region	7	7	361	96.78	2	1
Mohammad Wasim	Bahawalpur Region	4	4	256	67.72	1	2
Sarmad Bhatti	Islamabad Region	7	5	254	115.45	1	1

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Daniyal Hussain Rajput	Hyderabad Region	7	289	17	20.88	4.88
Jawad Ali	Hyderabad Region	7	261	16	22.75	4.30
Majid Asghar	Hyderabad Region	7	318	15	23.93	5.31

PAKISTAN CUP (31 45-OVER LIST-A MATCHES)

The Pakistan Cup 2023-24, replacing the provincial format, was contested among eight Regional sides. Peshawar Region won the tournament, defeating Karachi Region Whites by five wickets at Rawalpindi Cricket Stadium. The tournament comprised 45-over games and was played in three cities, Abbottabad, Mirpur and Rawalpindi.

In the final, after opting to bowl first, Peshawar tightened the screws around Karachi Region Whites' batting lineup, reducing them to 56-5 and then 103 all out. Mohammad Imran, player of the match, picked up figures of 4-28 in 7.2 overs while Mohammad Abbas Afridi bagged three wickets for 20 runs in six overs. In turn, Peshawar cruised to the 104-run target, losing five wickets in 17.2 overs on the back of Mohammad Haris' quickfire 46 off 33 balls, clubbing seven fours and one six.

Peshawar's journey to the final included a 44-run triumph over FATA Region in the semi-final. Peshawar posted 245-7 with the help of half-centuries from skipper Sahibzada Farhan (69, 76b, 11x4s) and Adil Amin (56 not out, 68b, 3x4s, 3x6s). Nabi Gul's 43 off 42 balls comprising one boundary and three sixes also helped Peshawar post a competitive target. FATA stumbled in reply and lost their opening batters for a mere 27 on the board. In coming batters Salman Khan Jnr (46, 60b, 3x4s, 2x6s), Khushdil Shah (42, 46b, 4x4s, 1x6) and Mohammad Sarwar Afridi (56, 45b, 3x4s, 3x6s) resisted yet FATA fell 44 runs short as they were bundled out for 201 in 41.1 overs.

The second semi-final saw Karachi Region Whites edge out Multan Region by 43 runs on the DLS method. Multan's decision to bowl first backfired as Karachi Region Whites notched 280 all out in 44.3 overs. Saim Ayub top scored with a fluent 95 off 86 balls, hitting twelve fours and one six. In reply, Multan scored 229-9 in the allotted 41 overs. Haseebullah was the lone warrior as he remained unbeaten for 106 off 108 balls comprising twelve fours and two sixes.

The tournament was played in a single round-robin format with each team playing seven games. Peshawar Region topped the table with five wins as they beat Karachi Region Whites, Rawalpindi Region, Multan Region, Lahore Region Blues and Faisalabad Region. Their only loss came against FATA Region while their game against Lahore Region Whites was abandoned without a ball bowled.

Among the batters, Saim Ayub was the bedrock of Karachi Region Whites' batting line-up with 397 runs in eight games at an average of 49.63. Other notable batters included Shan Masood (372), Sharjeel Khan (344), Haseebullah (326).

Mohammad Abbas Afridi and Zahid Mehmood were the joint-leading wicket-takers with 15 scalps in seven games each. Khushdil Shah picked up 14 wickets while Khurram Shahzad, Kashif Ali and Mohammad Imran bagged 13 wickets each.

Haseebullah was named player of the tournament and best wicket-keeper for his 326 runs and 10 dismissals. Saim Ayub was declared the best batter of the tournament while Zahid Mehmood and Abbas Afridi shared the best bowlers of the tournament award.



Abbas Afridi
15
Leading wicket-taker



Saim Ayub
397
Leading run-scorer



TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Saim Ayub	Karachi Region Whites	8	8	397	115.07	1	1
Shan Masood	Karachi Region Whites	7	7	372	102.76	1	1
Sharjeel Khan	Multan Region	7	7	344	124.19	2	1

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Mohammad Abbas Afridi	Peshawar Region	7	15	3-20	19.87	4.53
Zahid Mehmood	Multan Region	7	15	4-44	24.40	4.15
Khushdil Shah	FATA Region	8	14	3-23	26.57	4.21





NATIONAL T20 CUP (63 T20 MATCHES)

The National T20 Cup 2023-24 returned to the regional format with all the 18 regions taking part in this edition. The teams were divided into four groups with Group A and B consisting of five teams each while Group C and D had four teams each. The top two teams from each progressed to the Super eight stage where every team played seven matches each before the top four qualified for the knockout stage.

A total of 63 T20 matches were played across four venues in Karachi from 24 November to 10 December 2023.

Karachi Region Whites emerged victorious after a laborious campaign in which they played 13 matches including the final. They beat a very competitive Abbottabad Region in the final by just nine runs.

Abbottabad elected to field first and restricted Karachi Region Whites to 155-9. A breezy half-century from veteran Khurram Manzoor who accumulated 53 off 36 balls hitting nine fours and a solitary six helped Karachi post a competitive total. Left-arm pacer, Shahab Khan, rounded off his brilliant outing in the tournament with figures of 4-28 in four overs.

Abbottabad lost wickets at regular intervals in pursuit of the target and were reduced to 71-6 at one point before Atizaz Habib Khan and Fayyaz Khan (23, 9b 3x6s) stitched 37 runs for the seventh wicket. Atizaz teed off in his unbeaten 26-ball 43-run outing smashing six boundaries and one six.

These efforts were not enough as Abbottabad fell nine runs short. Shahnawaz Dahani, player of the final, bowled a game-changing spell of 3-16 in four overs while Anwar Ali, Danish Aziz and Aftab Ibrahim bagged two wickets each.

Karachi Region Whites' run to the final involved winning three out of four games in Group B and then they won five games out of seven in the Super Eight stage finishing second. The teams to assemble in the Super Eight stage involved Peshawar Region and Lahore Region Whites from Group A, Lahore Region Blues and Karachi Region Whites from Group B, Rawalpindi Region and Abbottabad Region from Group C while Sialkot Region and FATA Region qualified from Group D.

At the end of the Super Eight stage, Peshawar Region reigned supreme with seven wins out of seven games. Karachi Region Whites and Abbottabad Region sat second and third after having won five and lost two each but the former had better net run rate. Rawalpindi Region was the fourth team to qualify for the semi-finals as they ended up with four wins and three losses from their seven games.

In the first semi-final, Abbottabad Region brought an end to Peshawar's winning streak beating them by seven wickets. Peshawar's Israrullah hammered 73 off just 34 balls comprising ten fours and three sixes to power his team to 169 all out in 19.2 overs. Shahab Khan, the deserving player of the match, bagged 5-33.

In return, Fakhar Zaman and Sajjad Ali Hashmi (57 off 29) sealed the game with a 113-run opening partnership while the former stayed unbeaten for 79 off 46 balls clubbing eight fours and five sixes. Abbottabad reached the target with seven wickets in hand and 13 balls to spare.

The second semi-final saw the eventual winners, Karachi Region Whites, beating Rawalpindi Region by four wickets. Umar Amin's unbeaten 82 laced with nine fours and three sixes powered Rawalpindi to 177-5 which was then knocked off in 18.1 overs as Azam Khan (38 off 25), Anwar Ali (25 not out) and Omair Bin Yousuf (25) steered the chase. Azam in particular set the tone with two boundaries and three sixes while Anwar Ali hit one four and two sixes.

Among the batters, Sahibzada Farhan notched 492 runs, while Kamran Ghulam (451), Sajjad Ali Hashmi (442) and Omair Bin Yousuf (401) were the other notable batters. On the bowling front, Shahab Khan stood out with 25 scalps, followed by Sohail Khan (22), Arif Yaqoob (21), Mohammad Imran (20) and Iftikhar Ahmed (18).

Iftikhar Ahmed (395 runs and 18 wickets) was named player of the tournament for his all-round heroics. Sahibzada Farhan and Shahab Khan were declared the best batter and bowler of the tournament, respectively. Sajjad Ali Hashmi bagged the best wicket-keeper of the tournament award with 442 runs and 10 dismissals.





Sahibzada Farhan
492
Leading run-scorer



Shahab Khan
25
Leading wicket-taker

TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Sahibzada Farhan	Peshawar Region	12	12	492	178.91	1	4
Kamran Ghulam	Abbottabad Region	12	12	451	140.06	0	5
Sajjad Ali Hashmi	Abbottabad Region	12	12	442	143.04	0	5

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Shahab Khan	Abbottabad Region	10	25	5-20	8.08	8.64
Sohail Khan	Karachi Region Whites	12	22	5-10	12.36	7.37
Arif Yaqoob	Karachi Region Whites	13	21	4-18	12.33	7.14



PRESIDENT'S TROPHY GRADE-I (22 FIRST-CLASS FOUR-DAY MATCHES)

Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL) defeated Water and Power Development Authority by a thumping margin of 519 runs in the final to win the President's Trophy Grade-I 2023-24 title at Rawalpindi. WAPDA's decision to bowl first backfired when Sahibzada Farhan (161), Kamran Ghulam (101) and Saud Shakeel (123 not out) struck centuries to lead SNGPL to 479-7 in the allotted 80 overs.

WAPDA fell flat in reply as they only scored 140 all out. Shahnawaz Dahani ran riot with the ball as he returned figures of 7-42 in 12.4 overs. SNGPL, instead of imposing the follow-on, took their turn with the bat and racked up 346-8 courtesy of a fine century from Bilawal Bhatti (101) and a fluent 91 from Mubasir Khan.

WAPDA were bundled out for 166 in pursuit of the mammoth 686-run target. Mir Hamza dismissed three batters while Dahani and Bilawal picked up two wickets each.

A total of 22 first-class matches were held during the President's Trophy Grade-I 2023-24 and the tournament took place in Karachi apart from the final. Apart from SNGPL and WAPDA the seven participating departments that contested for the Trophy include State Bank of Pakistan (SBP), Ghani Glass, Pakistan Television (PTV), Khan Research Laboratories (KRL) and Higher Education Commission (HEC).

The tournament was played in a single-league format, with each team playing six matches and the top two qualifying for the final. WAPDA finished at the top collecting 62 points after five wins and one loss while SNGPL finished second with four wins, one loss and one draw collecting 57 points.

SBP were unlucky to miss out on a spot in the final as they finished six points shy of SNGPL's tally with two losses and four wins to their name.

Veteran batter, Asad Shafiq led SNGPL as they kicked off their campaign against Ghani Glass with a draw. Following that game SNGPL beat PTV, SBP and KRL before stumbling against WAPDA, which was their first and only loss in the tournament. In their last game, they beat HEC by 109 runs and sealed their spot in the final.

KRL's 21-year-old Abdul Faseeh, who was declared the best batter of the tournament, also became the leading run-scorer notching 637 runs in six matches with the help of three tons and one half-century. Other notable batters included Saad Nasim (595 runs), Abid Ali (570 runs), Umar Amin (547 runs) and Saad Khan (529 runs).

On the bowling front, Ghani Glass' leg spinner Mohammad Rameez Jnr picked up 42 wickets at an average of 19.26 and was named best bowler of the tournament. WAPDA's left-arm tweaker Asif Afridi bagged 37 wickets, while Shahnawaz Dahani had 25 scalps to his name in just four games.

Ghani Glass' Shahbaz Javed bagged the best-wicketkeeper of the tournament award with 26 dismissals behind the wickets.







TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Abdul Faseeh	Khan Research Laboratories	6	12	637	74.42	3	1
Saad Nasim	Ghani Glass	6	12	595	78.19	3	2
Abid Ali	Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited	7	14	570	59.13	2	2

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Mohammad Rameez Jnr	Ghani Glass	5	42	6-59	24.64	4.69
Asif Afridi	Water and Power Development Authority	6	37	5-55	48.92	3.23
Shahnawaz Dahani	Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited	4	25	7-42	24.64	3.69

PRESIDENT'S CUP (24 45-OVER LIST-A MATCHES)

Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL) won their fourth One Day Cup title, beating Higher Education Commission (HEC) by eight wickets at Gaddafi Stadium, Lahore. By doing so they also completed the double as they had earlier clinched the President's Trophy Grade-I 2023-24.

A total of seven departments participated in the tournament which was held in Abbottabad, Rawalpindi, Islamabad and Lahore. In the final, left-handed opening batter, Haseebullah struck a splendid unbeaten century to help SNGPL chase the 190-run target with eight wickets in hand.

Earlier, SNGPL skipper Yasir Shah opted to bowl first and SNGPL bowlers obliged by reducing HEC to 95-6 before their tail wagged leading them to post 189 all out in 45.4 overs. Bilawal Bhatti's three wickets were vital in restricting HEC to a modest total. Mohammad Ali, Shahnawaz Dahani and Yasir Shah dismissed two batters each.

SNGPL beat State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) in the first semi-final where they knocked off the 279-run target with eight wickets in hand. Abdullah Shafique hit 101 off 102 balls with the help of 10 fours and one six while Kamran Ghulam, batting at three, made his presence felt with an unbeaten 110 taking 97 balls and hitting nine fours and two sixes.

In the second semi-final, Ghani Glass racked up 392-8 in 50 overs with the help of centuries from Sharjeel Khan and Tayyab Tahir. HEC, in turn, had scored 115-1 in 17.3 overs when the rain arrived and led to the abandonment of the game. HEC qualified for the final on the back of their standing above Ghani Glass in the league stage.

SNGPL ran supreme in the single-round league stage where they beat Khan Research Laboratories (KRL), Water and Power Development Authority (WAPDA) Pakistan Television (PTV) and HEC. They lost to Ghani Glass while their game against SBP was abandoned. At the end of the league stage, HEC were ranked second, Ghani Glass third and SBP fourth.

Hussain Talat topped the run-scoring charts with 364 runs in five games with the help of two tons and a half-century. Hussain also bagged the best batter of the tournament. Kamran Ghulam sat in the second spot with 360 runs smashing two centuries and one half-century.

Abdullah Shafique, who scored the third most runs (344 runs) and grabbed the most catches (11) was declared player of the tournament. HEC's Muhammad Ghazi Ghori was named the best wicketkeeper of the tournament with 10 dismissals.

On the bowling front, Shahnawaz Dahani had 19 scalps to his name in seven games at an average of 16.47 runs and clinched the best bowler of the tournament award. Other notable bowlers were Aqiab Liaqat (17 wickets) and Mohammad Ali (10 wickets).



TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Hussain Talat	Ghani Glass	5	5	364	104.60	2	1
Kamran Ghulam	Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited	6	6	360	97.83	2	1
Abdullah Shafique	Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited	7	7	344	93.99	1	2

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Shahnawaz Dahani	Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited	7	19	6-30	17.16	5.76
Aqib Liaqat	Higher Education Commission	6	17	5-33	18.41	5.73
Mohammad Ali	Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited	6	10	3-49	27.00	4.78





PRESIDENT'S TROPHY GRADE-II (63 NON-FIRST-CLASS THREE-DAY MATCHES)



The President's Trophy Grade-II 2023-24 was played from 12 May to 8 June in Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa as a total of 24 departmental sides participated. The tournament consisted of 62 non-first-class three-day matches while the final of the tournament was a four-day (non-first-class) affair between Eshaal Associates and Oil and Gas Development Company Limited (OGDCL) from 8 June to 11 June at Abbottabad Stadium.

The 24 teams were divided into four pools while the toppers of each group advanced to the semi-finals. The sides participating in the tournament were Ahmad Glass, Azlaan Traders, Capital Development Authority, Eshaal Associates, Ghani Institute, Haidery Traders, Income Tax, JDW Sugar Mills Ltd, JJ's Consultancy Group, Karwan, Khayaban-e-Amin, MAQ Group, MiT Solutions, OGDCL, Omar Associates, Pak-Saudi International, Pakistan Air Force, Pakistan Army, Pakistan Navy, Pakistan Railways, Sabir's Poultry, Sardar Sports & Group, Service Industries and TARA Group.

OGDCL beat Khayaban-e-Amin in the first semi-final while Eshaal Associates got the better of MiT Solutions in the second semi-final. The final of the tournament saw OGDCL become champions by a big margin of nine wickets. OGDCL put Eshaal Associates into bat and got them out for 297 in 59.3 overs. In turn, OGDCL got an 18-run lead as Rizwan Ali's unbeaten century (143 not out, 205b, 14x4s, 1x6) propelled them to 315-7 in the allotted 75 overs. Eshaal's second innings was rocked by Mushtaq Ahmed (5-93) and Mohammad Sarwar Afridi (4-75) who shared nine wickets among them to knock off their opponent for 272 in 58.4 overs.

OGDCL notched the 255-run target in 50.3 overs with the help of a brilliant unbeaten century from Raja Hamza Waheed who struck 143 off 159 balls hitting 22 boundaries and two sixes. The two finalists also qualified for the President's Trophy Grade-I which is to take place in 2024-25 domestic season. OGDCL bagged a cash prize of 1.5 million while Eshaal Associates were awarded 0.75 million.

Khawaja Arham (676 runs) was declared player of the tournament while Afaq Ahmed (669 runs) and Jawad Ali (40 wickets) were named the best batter and bowler of the tournament, respectively. Abuzar Tariq won the best wicketkeeper of the tournament award for his 180 runs and 18 dismissals behind the wicket.







TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Khawaja Arham	Ghani Institute	5	10	676	84.61	4	1
Afaq Ahmed	Eshaal Associates	6	9	669	94.23	1	3
Hammad Butt	Ghani Institute	5	10	608	84.80	2	5

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Jawad Ali	Oil and Gas Development Company Limited	7	40	6-73	30.43	3.20
Usman Qadir	Ahmed Glass	5	34	7-73	31.09	3.51
Mohammad Huzaifa	Oil and Gas Development Company Limited	7	32	5-76	24.00	4.02

WOMEN'S
DOMESTIC CRICKET

NATIONAL WOMEN'S T20 TOURNAMENT (31 T20 MATCHES)

The six-team National Women's T20 Tournament 2023-24 was held from 15 to 31 January in Islamabad and Rawalpindi. The 31-match tournament featured top cricketers going head to head, where 96 players got the opportunity to showcase their talent. The 10 matches held at the Shoaib Akhtar Cricket Stadium in Islamabad were also live-streamed.

The tournament followed a double-round robin basis where all the six teams – Multan, Peshawar, Quetta and Rawalpindi, Karachi and Lahore played 10 matches each, The final, played at the Rawalpindi Cricket Stadium on 31 January, was washed out and the allotted prize money of PKR 1.5 million was divided between the two teams.

Jaweria Rauf, recently retired Pakistan international cricketer, was named assistant coach of the Karachi team as part of the PCB's policy to encourage former players to pursue coaching careers. Similarly, another former international cricketer, Nahida Khan, also served as an assistant coach for Quetta.

Lahore dominated the table, and remained unbeaten before advancing to the final. Lahore's Sidra Amin emerged as the top run-getter of the tournament, scoring 494 runs from 10 outings at an average of 98.80. She scored a century and three half-centuries and was declared the best batter of the tournament. Sidra's teammate Ghulam Fatima, was named the best bowler of the tournament. 29-year-old right-arm leg-spinner topped the bowling charts, bagging 21 scalps from 10 matches at an economy rate of 4.44. Pakistan international and left-arm spinner Nashra Sundhu representing Lahore grabbed 19 wickets in the tournament, which included her best figures of five for two runs, the only five-fer in the T20 tournament.

Aliya Riaz (Rawalpindi) and Gull Feroza (Multan) were jointly declared player of the tournament after scoring 370 and 479 runs, respectively. Aliya, with her right-arm medium fast bowling, also bagged 10 wickets. Gull, behind the stumps, had five dismissals to her name.

Sidra Nawaz, representing Lahore, was named the wicketkeeper of the tournament. She recorded 15 dismissals, which included six catches and nine stumpings from 10 outings in the tournament.











TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Sidra Amin	Lahore Women	10	10	494	143.60	1	3
Gull Feroza	Multan Women	10	10	479	114.05	0	5
Aliya Riaz	Rawalpindi Women	10	10	370	158.80	1	3

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Ghulam Fatima	Lahore Women	10	21	3-13	11.14	4.44
Nashra Sundhu	Lahore Women	10	19	5-2	11.63	5.38
Syeda Aroob Shah	Karachi Women	10	14	3-16	14.57	5.09

NATIONAL WOMEN'S ONE-DAY TOURNAMENT (31 50-OVER MATCHES)

The National Women's One-Day Tournament 2023-24, marking the conclusion of domestic cricket season for 2023-24 season for women's cricket was held in Faisalabad from 17 April to 11 May. Similar to the National Women's T20 Tournament, it showcased six regional cricket teams – Karachi, Lahore, Multan, Peshawar, Quetta and Rawalpindi featured in the tournament.

To enhance competitiveness in the one-day tournament, five players – Ayesha Zafar, Gull Feroza,
Sadaf Shamas, Sidra Amin and Waheeda Akhtar, who were also part of the Pakistan women's squad for the bilateral series against West Indies in Karachi, featured in the tournament.

In order to give exposure to the players, the 31-match tournament, was played on a double-round robin format, allowing each team to play 10 matches. Lahore and Karachi managed to qualify for the final held at the Iqbal Stadium in Faisalabad on 11 May.

In a one-sided affair, Lahore defeated Karachi by eight wickets and lifted the silverware along with winners' prize money of PKR one million. Karachi after being put into bat were bowled out for a paltry 108 in 23.4 overs. Only opening pair of Laiba Fatima (30, 29b, 5x4s) and Yusra Amir (24, 46b, 1x4) managed to score into double figures. For Lahore, Anam Amin and Ayesha Bilal bagged three wickets apiece.

In turn, Lahore achieved the target in 22.2 overs, losing two wickets in the process. Iram Javed anchored the innings with an unbeaten 55 off 67 balls, which included five fours and two sixes. She was also named best batter of the tournament, scoring 400 runs from 10 matches, which included four half-centuries.

Lahore's Quratulain was named the best bowler of the tournament, after the 19-year-old right-arm leg-spinner ended up with 23 scalps to her name from 11 outings, at an economy rate of 3.63.

Karachi's captain Omaima Sohail was named the player of the tournament after the all-rounder scored 384 runs from 10 innings at an average of 42.67, which included two half-centuries and taking 20 wickets with her off-spin bowling.

Lahore's wicket-keeper Soha Fatima, earned the award for best wicket-keeper of the tournament, with 15 dismissals (seven catches, eight stumpings) to her name.

TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	AVG	100	50
Iram Javed	Lahore Women	10	10	400	82.82	0	4
Omaima Sohail	Karachi Women	11	10	384	77.26	0	2
Sidra Nawaz	Peshawar Women	6	6	270	76.92	1	2

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Quratulain	Lahore Women	11	23	3-22	23.13	3.63
Maham Manzoor	Karachi Women	9	22	4-10	19.09	2.04
Omaima Sohail	Karachi Women	11	20	5-20	23.10	2.81

PCB WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY CRICKET TOURNAMENT (21 T20 MATCHES)

The inaugural PCB Women's University Cricket Tournament 2023-24 took place in Lahore, Karachi, Rawalpindi and Multan from 28 May to 3 June. A total of 14 University teams took part in the tournament while 21 T20 matches were played across the four zones: Lahore, Karachi, Rawalpindi and Multan. Karachi and Lahore Zones had four teams each while Multan Zone and Rawalpindi Zone had three teams each.

Karachi Zone included University of Karachi, Jinnah University for Women, Hamdard University and Newport Institute while their matches were played at IBA University. Lahore Zone comprised of Lahore College for Women's University, University of Punjab, Government College University and Kinnaird College while their matches were played at COMSATS University Ground and GC University Ground.

Shaheed Benazir Bhutto Women's University, Peshawar, Fatima Jinnah University and International Islamic University made up the Rawalpindi Zone and they played their matches at Viqar-un-Nisa College, Rawalpindi. Multan Zone included Bahauddin Zakariya University (BZU), Women's University, Multan and Islamia University, Bahawalpur.

In Lahore Zone, University of Punjab emerged victorious after beating Kinnaird College. In Karachi Zone University of Karachi cruised to a 10-wicket win over Jinnah University. Fatima Jinnah University marched to triumph in Rawalpindi Zone after beating Shaheed Benazir Bhutto Women's University. Bahauddin Zakariya University beat Islamia University, Bahawalpur to win the final in Multan Zone.

Gull Rukh (276), Yusra Amir (203), Humna Bilal (177) and Arijah Haseeb (157) were the leading run scorers in the tournament. On the bowling front, Humna Bilal and Quratulain became joint leading wicket takers with 10 wickets each while Yusra Sundhu picked up nine wickets.

TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	AVG	100	50
Gull Rukh	University of the Punjab	4	4	276	125.45	1	1
Yusra Amir	University of Karachi	4	4	203	172.03	1	1
Humna Bilal	Fatima Jinnah Women University	3	3	177	158.04	0	2

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Humna Bilal	Fatima Jinnah Women University	3	10	4-14	6.00	4.40
Quratulain	Kinnaird College	4	10	5-19	6.90	3.91
Yusra Sundhu	Lahore College for Women University	3	9	4-0	7.00	4.38







PATHWAYS
CRICKET

ACC MEN'S EMERGING TEAMS ASIA CUP (5 50-OVER MATCHES)

Pakistan played a major role in the formation of Asian Cricket Council (ACC) in the 1980s and then its serious activation in the next two decades. From the Senior Asia Cup to Under-19 edition and then the Emerging Men's Asia Cup the process has gone long and admirably well. As per Pakistan Cricket Board policy, it was premium to provide unwavering support and opportunities for young cricketers to excel and represent Pakistan with pride at the international level as well as the Continental stages.

Pakistan Shaheens were the defending champions when the eight-team ACC Men's Emerging Teams' Asia Cup was held in July 2023 in Sri Lanka. Pakistan Shaheens had won the event in Bangladesh in 2019 and successfully defended the title four years later.

Wicketkeeper batter Mohammad Haris led a strong Shaheens team with some emerging players who had either partly represented Pakistan or were knocking at the door of international cricket. Apart from 22-year-old Haris (five ODIs and nine T20Is), others who represented Pakistan seniors were: Arshad Iqbal (One T20I), Kamran Ghulam (One ODI), Mohammad Wasim Jnr (Two Tests, 14 ODIs, 27 T20Is), Sahibzada Farhan (Three T20Is), Saim Ayub (Eight T20Is), Shahnawaz Dahani (Two ODIs, 11 T20Is) and Tayyab Tahir (Three T20Is). Shaheens were in Group B with India A, Nepal and UAE A. Mohammad Masroor served as the head coach and led a successful campaign by using his vast experience at the Junior and Youth level.

Pakistan had a tough opening outing against Nepal who were represented by their national side. Although Shaheens held their nerves to clinch the tie by four wickets, it could have gone either way. Nepal fought hard in the defense of a paltry 180-run target. Fast bowlers Shahnawaz Dahani (5-38) and Mohammad Wasim Jnr (4-51) rocked the Nepalese team in 37 overs. When Shaheens batted they were caught on the wrong foot by left-arm spinner Lalit Rajbanshi whose 3-50 nearly derailed the chase. For Shaheens, Tayyab Tahir with 51, Kamran Ghulam 31 and Omair Bin Yousuf 36 held the innings.

Pakistan Shaheens then had the better of UAE by a big 184-run margin. They posted 309 in 49.2 overs with 63 each from Kamran Ghulam and Sahibzada and 56 from Saim Ayub and 55 from skipper Haris. When the UAE batted they were demolished by spinners Qasim Akram (6-26) and Sufyan Moqim (3-36) for 125 in 29.5 overs.

But Shaheens were found wanting in their clash against arch-rivals India 'A'. India "A" pacer Rajvardhan Hangargekar rocked Shaheens for 205 in 48 overs, taking 5-42. Only Qasim Akram with 48 and Sahibzada Farhan 35 could stand tall. India "A" comfortably chased the modest target in 36.4 overs with Sai Sudharsan knocking a match-winning 104 not out to guide his team to an eight wicket win.

Pakistan had the better of host Sri Lanka in the semi-final by 60 runs to set a mouth-watering final against India "A". Omair Bin Yousuf played a rollicking knock of 88, Mohammad Haris made 52 and Mubasir Khan 42 to lead Pakistan to 322 all out in 50 overs. That proved enough for the hosts as they were bowled out for 262 in the 46th over. Pacer Arshad Iqbal led the destruction with 5-37 while spinners Sufyan Moqim and Mubasir Khan grabbed two wickets apiece.

Pakistan Shaheens shattered the dreams of India "A" by clinching the final in a ruthless manner. The margin of 128 runs was as convincing as it was gratifying, after losing the group match. Tayyab Tahir smashed four sixes and a dozen boundaries in a doozy 71-ball 108. Sahibzada Farhan (65) and Saim Ayub (59) had set the tone for Pakistan's formidable total of 352-8, raking 121 for the opening stand. Shaheens then bowled superbly to keep a strong India 'A' side to 224 in 40 overs. Sufyan Moqim grabbed three wickets while Arshad Iqbal, Mehran Mumtaz and Wasim Jnr picked two wickets apiece.









TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Avishka Fernando	Sri Lanka A	4	4	255	102.82	1	1
Yash Dhull	India A	5	4	234	102.18	1	1
Abhishek Sharma	India A	5	5	221	98.22	0	2

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Nishant Sindhu	India A	5	11	5-20	3.90	18.18
Rajvardhan Hangargekar	India A	4	10	5-42	5.82	13.80
Manav Suthar	India A	5	10	3-32	4.20	27.80

PAKISTAN SHAHEENS TOUR TO AUSTRALIA (6 T20S, 2 50-OVER MATCHES)

Pakistan Shaheens toured Darwin, Australia to play a white-ball multi-team tournament and two one-day matches in July-August 2023. The six-team tournament provided emerging Pakistan players with a great opportunity to hone their skills to a greater degree. The composition of the squad is based on giving consistent chances to the players as Shaheens toured Zimbabwe and featured in the Asian Cricket Council Emerging Cup.

Wicketkeeper batter Rohail Nazir was the captain of the Shaheens tour to Australia.

The tour was a successful one as Pakistan Shaheens finished runners-up in the six-team tournament which was played in Darwin. Shaheens then won both the 50-over one-day matches with notable performances.

The tour opened on a wrong note when Northern Territory Strikers had the better of Shaheens by 59 runs. Param Upal (59 not out) and Josh Kann (47) provided the platform for NTS total of 185-5 in 20 overs. Spinners Arafat Minhas and Aaliyan Mahmood grabbed two wickets apiece. Pakistan Shaheens faltered in the chase right from the get-go as Basit Ali and Shahwaiz Irfan went without scoring and despite skipper Rohail's 41 and 26 from Shamyl Hussain they could manage 126 all out in 18.4 overs. Pacer Tom Menzies and spinner Jack Wood wrecked the Shaheens with four wickets apiece.

Pakistan Shaheens came back strongly in the tournament with a convincing nine-wicket win over Australian Capital Territory. Pakistan Shaheens were frugal in their bowling, keeping their rivals to 122-7 in 20 overs. Left-arm spinner Faisal Akram was the pick of the bowlers with 2-22. Shaheens wiped out the target for the loss of just one wicket in 15.2 overs with opener Shamyl Hussain smashing 44-ball 57 not out and skipper Rohail smoking 21-ball 39 not out.

Pakistan Shaheens outlasted Melbourne Renegades by eight runs in a low scoring match. They were bowled out for a paltry 93 in 18.5 overs but that did not demoralise the visitors as they fought back by dismissing their opponents for 85 in 19.4 overs. Young Shawaiz Irfan was the star batter for Shaheens with 34. Spinners Ali Asfand (3-8) and Arafat Minhas (3-15) jolted the Renegades to snatch victory by defending a low total.

Melbourne Stars were the next victims for Shaheens as they won by a healthy 43-run margin. Shahwaiz was the star again, knocking a 37-ball 65 with four sixes and five boundaries to guide his team to 169-6 in 20 overs. Stars were then kept down to 126-8. Papua New Guinea were thrashed by eight wickets in the next game. Ali Asfand led the spin assault on PNG with four wickets while Arafat Minhas and Aaliyan Mahmood grabbed two wickets apiece. The 121-run target was achieved in 12.5 overs by Shaheens with Shahwaiz Irfan (54), Rohail Nazir (29 not out) and Azan Awais (26 not out) amongst the runs.

Four wins in five games pitted Shaheens in the final against Northern Territory Strike. It was not their day as Shaheens lost the final and handed the title to the home team with a 46-run defeat. Batting first, NTS piled 185-4 with Jack Wood smashing 59-ball 101 not out studded with five sixes and eight boundaries. In their turn, Shaheens were kept down to 139-7. Arafat Minhas 41 kept pressure but could not score enough runs to cross the winning line.

Pakistan were comfortable winners in both the one-day matches against PNG and NT Strike. Azan Awais 72 and Arafat Minhas 56 laid the foundation of a solid 323-8 in 50 overs against PNG. Left-arm spinner Faisal Akram then ripped through the PNG batting with figures of 5-17. Faisal had an encore in the second match as well, taking 5-37 in the win over NTS.

Azan Awais, Ahmed Khan and Arafat Minshas were the main run scorers in one-day matches while Faisal Akram with ten wickets stood out in bowling. In the T20s, Shawaiz (158), Shamyl (136) and Rohail (134) were the top performers while spinners Arafat (10), Asfand (nine) and Aaliyan (six) were the main wicket takers.

The support staff also deserves praise as head-coach-cum-manager Muhammad Masroor has his major share as coach of various junior teams in the past. Hanif Malik as batting coach and Umar Rashid as bowling coach also worked prominently and successfully on the tour.

Squad: Rohail Nazir (captain), Aaliyan Mahmood, Ali Asfand, Amir Hassan, Arafat Minhas, Azan Awais, Basit Ali, Faisal Akram, Mohammad Imran, Sajjad Ali, Mohammad Irfan Khan, Shamyl Hussain, Shawaiz Irfan, Syed Zeeshan Zameer and Wahaj Riaz





TOP 3 BATTERS IN T20s

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Shawaiz Irfan	Pakistan Shaheens	6	5	158	147.66	0	2
Shamyl Hussain	Pakistan Shaheens	6	6	136	128.30	0	1
Rohail Nazir	Pakistan Shaheens	6	6	134	121.82	0	0

TOP 3 BOWLERS IN T20s

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Arafat Minhas	Pakistan Shaheens	6	10	3-15	14.40	5.88
Ali Asfand	Pakistan Shaheens	6	9	4-11	15.44	5.01
Aaliyan Mahmood	Pakistan Shaheens	6	6	2-21	22.00	8.09

TOP 3 BATTERS IN 50 OVER

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Azan Awais	Pakistan Shaheens	2	2	108	81.82	0	1
Ahmed Khan	Pakistan Shaheens	2	2	70	78.65	0	0
Coby Edmonstone	Northern Territory Strike	1	1	65	66.33	0	1

TOP 3 BOWLERS IN 50 OVER

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Faisal Akram	Pakistan Shaheens	2	10	5-17	9.00	3.60
Charlie Smith	Northern Territory Strike	1	4	4-31	15.00	3.10
Ahmed Khan	Pakistan Shaheens	2	4	3-40	13.50	6.44

WOMEN'S U19 T20 TOURNAMENT (11 T20 MATCHES)

The Pakistan Cricket Board has been paying special attention to women's cricket with an aim to lift the standard so that our national teams can compete at the international level.

The main objective of the U19 event was to create a strong talent pool at the domestic level and lay a proper pathway structure. It was notable to say that the event provided the PCB to reach girls in every nook and corner of the country. That helped the girls materialise their dreams and get a chance to play for Pakistan in the senior events.

The 2023-24 U19 Twenty20 tournament was participated by five teams named Conquerors, Invincibles, PCB Challengers, PCB Strikers and Stars. The Lahore Country Club in Muridke hosted the matches from September 13, 2023 to 21 September.

The Stars beat the Invincibles in the opening match by six wickets. Batting first, the Invincibles managed 107-5 in their 20 overs. Haleema Dua Zafar was the anchor with 46. Laiba Nasir led the chase for the Stars with 32 not out as the target was achieved in 15.3 overs.

The Conquerors beat PCB challengers in the second match by eight wickets in what turned out to be a one-sided match. The Challengers were bowled out for 82 in 19.1 overs which the winners achieved for the loss of just two wickets in 16.5 overs. Memoona Khalid was the star with two wickets and a score of 22 not out.

The Stars had the better of the Conquerors in the third match by a convincing margin of ten wickets. The Conquerors managed just 74 runs for the loss of six wickets in their 20 overs as the snail-paced scoring marred their innings. Dina Razvi with 22 was the top scorer. In reply, the Stars chased down the target in 12.4 overs without losing any wicket. Komal Khan (38) and Samiya Afsar (35) remained unbeaten.

The PCB Challengers won against PCB Strikers in the fourth match by 21 runs. The Challengers scored 108-6 in their 20 overs and then restricted their opponents for 87-6. Fizza Faiz scored 35 not out while Sumbal Liaqat took three wickets.

The Conquerors took the next match against the Invincibles by seven wickets. Rida Aslam's destructive figures of 4-9 shot the Invincibles for just 43 in 19.5 overs as it was a matter of survival rather than scoring for the Invincibles. Rida Aslam also shone with the bat, scoring 17 not out as the small target was chased in 10.5 overs.

The Stars won the day against PCB strikers by four wickets. Areesha Ansari hit 54 not out in Strikers 108-6 after batting first. Samiya Afsar led the chase with a polished 46-ball 62 as the chase was completed in 18.2 overs with four wickets intact.

The Invincibles staged a comeback in the next match with an 18-run win on DLS method against PCB Strikers. PCB Strikers were shot out for a mere 79 in 18 overs which the Invincibles chased down in 10.1 overs for the loss of just three wickets.

The PCB Challengers earned a convincing 63-run win over Stars. The Challengers 104-4 total was based around an opening stand of 77. Mahnoor Aftab's four wickets for just five runs shot Stars for a mere 41 runs in 8.4 overs.

The Conquerors had the better of PCB strikers by six wickets. The Strikers managed just 95-7 in their innings. Rida Aslam's 33 not out helped Conquerors chase down the target in 17 overs.

The PCB Challengers beat the Invincibles to qualify for the final. The Challengers scored 120-6 in their 20 overs with Raahima Syed (33) and Ravail Farhan (28) contributed significantly. The Invincibles were kept down to 86-9 in their 20 overs with Muqadas Bukhari taking four wickets for just nine runs.

The final of the event was played on September 21. The PCB Challengers were shot out for 66 in 18.4 overs. Quratulain took 2-9 and Memoona Khalid grabbed 2-17 to share the spoils. The Conquerors took just 13.1 overs and lost two wickets to chase down the target.

That capped the event with Conquerors taking the title in a tournament that helped unearth several talented players.

TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Areesha Ansari	PCB Strikers	4	4	131	102.34	0	1
Samiya Afsar	Stars	4	4	118	108.26	0	1
Aqsa Yousaf	PCB Strikers	4	4	101	71.13	0	0

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Muqadas Bukhari	PCB Challengers	5	7	4-9	12.86	3.80
Zaib-un-Nisa Niaz	Conquerors	5	6	3-12	15.00	3.33
Rida Aslam	Conquerors	5	6	4-9	15.00	4.00



NATIONAL MEN'S U19 CHAMPIONSHIP (49 THREE-DAY MATCHES)

Peshawar continued to dominate national events by clinching the Men's National U19 Championship 2023-24 by beating Karachi Whites in a sensational one-wicket win in the final at Sheikhupura. The closeness of the final and other matches highlighted the available pool of young talent and the competitive edge teams provided in the event.

Sindh Blues had beaten Sindh Whites in the final of 2022-23 Championship in which 12 teams competed and 31 matches were played. The 2023-24 season saw 18 teams divided into three teams of six each with 49 three-day matches played.

A strong Karachi Whites team dominated Group A, winning all their five matches in a strong reminder of talent available in the city of millions, Karachi. The Whites opened their campaign with a dominating innings and 37 runs win against FATA. They shot FATA out for a paltry 106 in their first innings and then knocked 330-7 in their essay, with skipper Saad Baig smashing a brilliant 104. FATA fared better with 187 in their second innings. Off-spinner Naveed Ahmed Khan grabbed eight wickets in the match.

The Whites had another innings and 101-run win over Quetta in their second match. Naveed (4-20) and pacer Abdul Moiz (5-10) wrecked Quetta for 54 before Karachi managed 205-9. Quetta again succumbed to some good bowling as they were shot out for just 50. Karachi Whites also won against Hyderabad, Faisalabad and Jammu and Kashmir to reach the triangular stages with Peshawar and Bahawalpur the other teams.

Peshawar topped Group B with three wins, a draw and an abandoned match. They opened their campaign with a drawn game against Lahore. Ahmed Hussain chipped in with 6-30 as Lahore were kept down to 208 with Obaid Shahid hitting 93. Peshawar's second match against Multan was washed out in Faisalabad with only 42 overs of action possible. From Group C, Bahawalpur qualified for the triangular stages, winning four of their five matches. Their success was prominent as they also had teams from Lahore and Karachi in their groups.

Peshawar and Karachi Whites qualified for the finals where Peshawar won by one wicket in a thrilling finish.

Batting first, Karachi Whites piled up 333-9 in their first innings with skipper Saad Baig hitting 96 and Wahaj Riaz scoring 85. For Peshawar, leggie Ahmed Hussain grabbed 5-61. Fast bowler Fahad Amin was the star with 5-50 as Karachi skittled Peshawar to 220 all out.

That gave Karachi a good 113-run lead but they failed to capitalise on that, getting out for 164 in their second knock. Off-spinner Mohammad Shoaib rocked the Karachi team with figures of 4-27. Still, Peshawar were left to chase a big target but they fought hard to finish with 278-9 and win the match by a solitary wicket. Afkar Durrani hit a match-winning 75.

Saad Baig of Karachi Region Whites topped the run scoring charts with 750 runs while Haroon Arshad scored 692 runs. On the bowling front, Naveed Ahmed Khan picked up 40 wickets while Ahmed Hussain stood second with 35 scalps.

The Under-19 three day and one-day events provided the core of players for Pakistan Under-19 team with Karachi's Saad Baig leading the National Junior Team.



TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	RUNS	HS	SR	100	50
Saad Baig	Karachi Region Whites Under 19s	7	9	750	92.82	4	2
Haroon Arshad	Karachi Region Whites Under 19s	8	11	692	67.58	2	5
Mohammad Zulkifal	Peshawar Region Under 19s	8	9	584	92.11	3	0

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Naveed Ahmed Khan	Karachi Region Whites Under 19s	7	40	6-85	33.53	2.43
Ahmed Hussain	Peshawar Region Under 19s	6	35	6-30	23.37	3.13
Syed Tayyab Hussain	Karachi Region Whites Under 19s	7	31	6-9	30.68	2.54

NATIONAL MEN'S U19 CUP (49 50-OVER MATCHES)

The National Men's U19 One-Day Cup ran side by side with the three-day event, with 18 teams in action. The idea of playing a three-day match and one-day simultaneously gives players an idea of how to switch quickly from a longer format to the shorter one. The teams were divided into three groups of six teams each. Just like the three-day event, Karachi Whites topped Group A with four wins in five games while FATA surprised by finishing second as they beat formidable teams like Faisalabad and Hyderabad.

Rawalpindi gained first spot from Group B with three wins and two washed out games. Multan were second and Lahore third. Peshawar, winners of the three-day event, were left behind at fourth. From Group C Abbottabad was the surprise package, winning four of their five games. Teams from Karachi (Blues) and Lahore (Whites) failed to qualify for the triangular stages.

Karachi Whites opened their campaign with a thumping eight-wicket win. They bowled FATA out for 183 in 48.2 overs with Abdul Moiz taking three wickets. Whites then overhauled the target in 37.3 overs for the loss of just two wickets. Skipper Saad Baig with (63) and Haroon Arshad (52 not out) were amongst the runs. Another comprehensive 84-run win was achieved against Quetta in the second match. Middle-order batter Ali Hassan held the innings with 66. Abdul Moiz and Syed Tayyab Hussain with three wickets each then helped Karachi Whites bowl their opponents out for 104 in 40.3 overs.

Azad Jammu and Kashmir gave Karachi Whites some tough fight as they took the match to the end before losing by three wickets. AJK's 157 all out in 42.3 overs were anchored by Hasnain Nadeem and Dawood Shah who each made 36 each. Off-spinner Naveed Ahmed Khan grabbed four wickets. Whites were given a good start by Saad Baig (46) and Haroon Arshad (69) but in the middle they lost quick wickets and it was not until the seventh wicket that the target was achieved. Faisalabad also gave a tough fight to Karachi Whites and only lost by a narrow margin of 15 runs. Whites' total of 228-9 was built around a magnificent 101 by Saad Khan. Nabeel Rafiq with 76 anchored the chase but Faisalabad were bowled out in 45.4 overs.

Rawalpindi had a damp squib against Multan as rain in Faisalabad forced an abandonment. In their second match, Rawalpindi had the better of Islamabad by five wickets. Rawalpindi bowlers combined well to get their opponents out for just 129 in 41.2 overs. That target was chased down by Rawalpindi in just 24 overs for the loss of five wickets. Rawalpindi then thumped Lahore Blues by six wickets in a comprehensive display. Lahore were bowled out for 147 in 35 overs while Rawalpindi chased that down for the loss of four wickets in 34 overs. Hammad Rafiq made 58 not out. Rawalpindi then thumped Larkana by 117 runs in a one-sided match. Mohammad Arshad hit 86 as Rawalpindi scored a handsome 291 in 49.3 overs. They then bowled their opponents out for 174 in 42.2 overs. Rawalpindi's game against Peshawar was abandoned.

The third team to qualify for the triangular stages was Abbottabad. They won their games against Lahore Whites by 11 runs, got the better of Bahawalpur by 28 runs, Karachi Blues by a big 171-run margin and Dera Murad Jamali side by 32 runs. The match against Sialkot was Abandoned.

Rawalpindi kept that same match winning intensity when they overcame Abbottabad by eight wickets in the Triangular stage. They kept their opponents down to 162 in 36.1 overs. Shahmeer Ali with 64 not out and Mohammad Arshad 51 helped their side overhaul the target for the loss of just two wickets and with 30 overs consumed. But Karachi Whites brought Rawalpindi back on earth with a seven-wicket win. Saif Yamin's 4-14 helped Karachi bowl out Rawalpindi side for a paltry 97 in a mere 18.1 overs. The target was achieved without dropping much sweat in 17.1 overs with Wahaj Riaz making 46 not out. Karachi also defeated Abbottabad by 14 runs as their 201 in 49.3 overs proved barely enough for their opponents who managed 187 in 40.4 overs.

The final was played on 26th October with the venue being Lahore Country Club, Muridke. It was a highly charged final which Karachi Whites won by three wickets. Rawalpindi scored 235-6 in their 50 overs with 65 from Shahmeer Ali and 56 not out from Amir Hassan batting at number eight. Mohammad Shaharyar Azhar held Karachi's innings with a decent 57 and some useful contributions by the middle-order saw Karachi crossing the line with two overs and three wickets intact.

The last season junior events were beneficial for the players and threw a number of talented players in the mix who will surely go on and play for Pakistan in future -- serving the real purpose of such under age events.



TOP 3 BATTERS IN 50 OVER

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Shujah Zaheer	Abbottabad Region Under 19s	6	6	279	84.04	1	1
M Riazullah	Abbottabad Region Under 19s	4	4	262	92.25	2	0
Zain-ul-Abidin	Hyderabad Region Under 19s	5	5	209	68.75	0	2

TOP 3 BOWLERS IN 50 OVER

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Abdul Moiz	Karachi Region Whites Under 19s	8	15	3-17	24.47	4.10
Aftab Ahmed	Abbottabad Region Under 19s	4	13	5-40	13.85	5.77
Saad Masood	Rawalpindi Region Under 19s	6	12	3-22	22.50	3.22

SRI LANKA MEN'S U19 TO PAKISTAN (1 FOUR-DAY, 5 50-OVER MATCHES)

The Under-19 played some good cricket in the last season as the Pakistan Cricket Board arranged activities for them to get them well-prepared for the ICC Under-19 World Cup 2024. These activities are as per PCB's vision to hone and mature the young talent and provide opportunities to future stars of Pakistan cricket. The junior selection committee headed by former captain Inzamam-ul-Haq was also on a lookout for talented players and did some good work in the build-up to the mega event.

Saad Baig, who captained the Pakistan U-19 team on the tour to Bangladesh, was retained as skipper as he impressed with his decision-making and ability to lead from the front.

Pakistan won the four-day match with a convincing margin of nine wickets in the match played at National Bank stadium, Karachi. Pakistan piled up 433-9 as they dominated right from the get-go. Openers Shahzaib Khan (161) and Azan Awais (104) set the foundation with a solid 228-run opening stand. Skipper Saad Baig chipped in with an attractive 68 as Sri Lanka employed nine bowlers in the innings. In reply, Sri Lanka were dismissed for 204 as fast bowlers Mohammad Ibtisam (3-37) and Aimal Khan (3-47) destroyed the visitors' batting. Following on, Sri Lanka fared little better in their second essay, scoring 236. Skipper Sineth Jayawardene (52) and Pulindu Perera (50) resisted well during their 82-run stand but once they fell, wickets fell at regular intervals. Pakistan scored the needed eight runs for the loss of one wicket.

Sri Lanka Under-19 fared better in the five-match one-day series, clinching it 3-2 in a fluctuating manner. The visitors opened the series with a 58-run win. Pulindu Perera hit a magnificent 156 in his team's total of 309 all out in 49.4 overs. That was enough for the home team who were shot out for 251 in 45.4 overs. Shamyl Hussain with 98 and Arafat Minhas (84) fought hard but their efforts failed to complete the chase. Sri Lanka's pace duo of Dinura Kalupahana (4-32) and Garuka Sanketh (3-42) halted the chase with some goodbowling.

Pakistan staged a remarkable comeback by taking the second one-day match by 59 runs. The home team managed 254 in 46.5 overs with Arafat Minhas knocking 95 and Shamyl Hussain 53. Paceman Ubaid Shah (3-34) and Ahmed Hussain (3-42) unleashed some tight bowling to keep the visitors down to 195.

Pakistan Under-19 took a 2-1 lead with a comfortable six-wicket win in the third game. Sri Lankan put up a fighting 289-9 in their 50 overs with Rusanda Gamage knocking a brilliant 110. Sharujan Shanmuganathan hit 61. Pakistan were brilliant in their chase as Shamyl Hussain hit a cracking 150 off 109 balls spiced with seven sixes and 13 boundaries. He was ably supported by Muhammad Riazullah who hit 48 while Arafat Minhas chipped in with 34 not out.

The fourth match was won by the visiting team as they came better by three wickets in a tense finish. Batting first, Pakistan were shot out for a paltry 186 in 43.1 overs. Shahzaib Khan with 80 and Saad Baig with 45 defied some good bowling from Malsha Tharupati who grabbed 4-17. Pakistan Under-19 also bowled well but Sri Lankan innings was led by Dinura Kalupahana 61 and Rusanda Gamage who scored 46. Aftab Ahmed took three and Ubaid Shah got two wickets.

The seriesdecider saw both teams trying hard to come off winners. It was the visitors who took the game by 165 runs, also taking the series. Sri Lankan piled 293-9 in their 50 overs with a useful 82 from Sineth Jayawardene and 66 from Rusanda Gamage. Malsha Tharupati once again damaged Pakistan with his guile, taking 3-12 while pacer Vihas Thewmika also finished with the same figures.







TOP 3 BATTERS (FOUR-DAY)

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Shahzaib Khan	Pakistan Under-19s	1	2	163	58.01	1	0
Pulindu Perera	Sri Lanka Under-19s	1	2	115	75.16	0	2
Azan Awais	Pakistan Under-19s	1	2	105	47.09	1	0

TOP 3 BOWLERS (FOUR-DAY)

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Mohammad Ibtisam	Pakistan Under-19s	1	5	3-37	22.40	3.05
Aimal Khan	Pakistan Under-19s	1	4	3-47	36.00	3.21
Malsha Tharupathi	Sri Lanka Under-19s	1	4	3-75	46.00	3.26

TOP 3 BATTERS (50 OVER)

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Shamyl Hussain	Pakistan Under-19s	5	5	326	94.49	1	2
Arafat Minhas	Pakistan Under-19s	5	5	272	116.74	0	3
Pulindu Perera	Sri Lanka Under-19s	4	4	253	136.02	1	0

TOP 3 BOWLERS (50 OVER)

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Ubaid Shah	Pakistan Under-19s	4	9	3-34	25.11	5.18
Ruvishan Perera	Sri Lanka Under-19s	5	9	3-49	24.00	5.50
Aftab Ahmed	Pakistan Under-19s	4	8	3-23	20.25	5.22

WEST INDIES WOMEN'S 'A' TO PAKISTAN (3 ONE-DAY MATCHES)

West Indies is regarded as one of the top women's cricket teams at the international level. They won a Twenty20 World Cup, in 2016 in India. They have given some ideal preparation to the Pakistan women's team in the last few years.

To get Pakistan women to tune up for the Twenty20 World Cup and before that for a series against the senior West Indies women's team, a second XI team from the Caribbean toured Pakistan to play three one-day matches – all in Lahore

Pakistan "A" won the first match by just eight runs after a hard-fought tussle at Ghani Glass Ground in DHA Lahore. Gull Feroza, who has made her place and name in Pakistan women's cricket, struck a 101-ball 62 to guide Pakistan "A" to 174 before they were bowled out for 174. The visitors were well on course for a successful chase but from 100-2 they lost five wickets for just 24 runs and were eventually bowled out for 166 in 45.2 overs. Saima Malik, Anosha Nasir and Ramin Shamim led the slide with two wickets apiece.

West Indies "A" improved their style of chasing a target in the second match as they clinched it by three wickets, overhauling a target of 189 off the penultimate delivery for the loss of seven wickets. For the visitors, Rashada Williams batted with aplomb to score 71 with eight boundaries. Shenata Grimmond scored 17 not out to ensure her team did not spurn the chase from a solid platform. Earlier, Pakistan "A" were helped to 188-9 in their 50 overs with useful contributions from Sidra Nawaz (50) and Shawaal Zulfiqar (32).

West Indies "A" took the third and final game, again by three wickets by chasing a 163-run target. For them Djenaba Joseph anchored the chase with a solid 51 while Shunelle Sawh hit 37. Pakistan were bowled out for 162 in 44.4 overs. Sidra Nawaz top scored with 27 in an innings rocked by spinner Jahzara Claxton who grabbed 4-19.

The tour helped both the countries in grooming their fringe players for senior cricket. The tourists were also full of praise for the arrangements made by the Pakistan Cricket Board.







TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Rashada Williams	West Indies A Women	3	3	111	68.94	0	1
Sidra Nawaz	Pakistan A Women	3	3	86	62.32	0	1
Shabika Gajnabi	West Indies A Women	3	3	78	63.41	0	0

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Rameen Shamim	Pakistan A Women	3	6	4-13	30.00	2.17
Anosha Nasir	Pakistan A Women	3	6	3-36	30.00	3.23
Ashmini Munisar	West Indies A Women	3	5	3-21	36.00	2.60

WEST INDIES WOMEN'S 'A' AND THAILAND
WOMEN'S EMERGING IN PAKISTAN (4 T20 MATCHES)

The "A" teams' series and tours are paramount for the grooming of upcoming players. In fact, the "A" series are an important step as they help the induction of successful players into the senior team.

The women's tri-series between "A" teams of Pakistan and the West Indies joined by an Emerging team from Thailand provided some good competition and helped in finding some good players for all three countries. It was a one of a sort of tri-series, helping the young players to the hilt. The young players were given an opportunity to test their skills against other teams and the stage was given more importance as the Tri-series was played at the iconic Gaddafi Stadium.

Pakistan "A" proved to be the better side as it won the series by beating the West Indies team in the final.

On the first day of the Tri-series, Pakistan beat the West Indies by 12 runs. Batting first, Pakistan "A" team scored 112-5 in their 20 overs. The experienced Sidra Nawaz revived the innings with a fighting 54 not out that helped the team get to a defendable total. Humna Bilal (3-17) and Omaima Sohail (2-15) kept a tight leash to keep the opponents down to 100 all out in their 20 overs.

After losing to the home team, the West Indies "A" found Thailand's Emerging team not very strong as they trounced them by five wickets. Batting first, the Thai team were bowled out for a low 46 run total in 14.2 overs. They found the West Indies bowling tough to handle as Janilliea Glasgow (3-17) and Jahzara Claxton (2-16) led the early destruction before Qiana Joseph took three wickets for just one run to wrap up the innings. The West Indies "A" also found the going tough, losing wickets at regular intervals. Opener Shabika Gajnabi held one end intact and ensured the chase was successful with 10 not out.

The Thailand Emerging team gave a better account of themselves against the hosts but still lost by 28 runs. Shawaal Zulfiqar continued to show her rise with a unbeaten 66-ball 67 spiced with ten boundaries to help Pakistan team score 121-4 in their 20 overs. Gull Feroza chipped in with 26. The Thai team managed to score 93-5 in their 20 overs, thanks to opener Thipatcha Putthawong scoring 25 and Phannita Maya scoring 23 not out. Rameen Shamim took two wickets for Pakistan "A".

The final saw Pakistan "A' improving on their earlier performance, beating the West Indies "A" team by eight wickets. The home team restricted their opponents to 97-6 in their 20 overs. Opener Qiana Joseph with 35 stood out for the visiting team. Rameen Shamim and Omaima Sohail grabbed two wickets apiece. Pakistan "A" chased down the target for the loss of just two wickets in 15.5 overs. Shawaal Zulfiqar once again sparkled with 39 not out while Gull Feroza 23 and Omaima Sohail 20 not out also contributed in the winning chase.

Shawaal Zulfiqar topped the batting chart with 106 runs at a strike rate of 100. Sidra Nawaz, Gull Feroza and Omaima Sohail all showed good progress which was the main target for Pakistan Cricket Board's Women's Wing. Omaima and Rameen Shamim finished with five wickets apiece in the series.







TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Shawaal Zulfiqar	Pakistan A Women	3	3	106	100	0	1
Sidra Nawaz	Pakistan A Women	3	2	58	138.1	0	1
Gull Feroza	Pakistan A Women	3	3	55	82.09	0	0

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Omaima Sohail	Pakistan A Women	3	5	2-15	12.00	4.80
Rameen Shamim	Pakistan A Women	3	5	2-16	14.40	4.50
Thipatcha Putthawong	Thailand Women Emerging	2	4	2-7	12.00	4.25

THAILAND WOMEN'S EMERGING TO PAKISTAN (TWO T20S)

Thailand women's cricket team has been making rapid strides at the international stage. They are investing a lot in their cricket, especially in the women's game. Pakistan Cricket Board, as has been done in the past, has helped the nascent nation in their development and the tour by Thailand Emerging team was a step in that direction.

Pakistan "A" won the series 2-0 in a convincing manner but the outings were very useful for the emerging players from Thailand. The tourists were given a wonderful opportunity to play at the iconic Gaddafi stadium, Lahore. The home team was strong enough to take the first match by eight wickets. The Thailand team scored 70-7 in their 15 overs. Rameen Shamim, Omaima Sohail and Saima Malik captured two wickets apiece. Pakistan "A" comfortably reached the target for the loss of two wickets in 13.2 overs. Shawwal Zulfiqar knocked 31 in the successful chase.

The second match, also played at Gaddafi stadium, was won by the home team by six wickets. Thailand Emerging team gave a better account in batting, reaching 86-5 in 20 overs. Nannapat Khoncharoenkai scored a brilliant 57, the only to reach double figures. Pakistan international Omaima Sohail held the chase with a fine knock of 45 not out.









TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Nannapat Khoncharoenkai	Thailand Women Emerging	2	2	79	109.72	0	1
Omaima Sohail	Pakistan A Women	2	2	61	105.17	0	0
Kaynat Hafeez	Pakistan A Women	2	2	39	61.90	0	0

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Omaima Sohail	Pakistan A Women	2	3	2-3	14.00	2.00
Saima Malik	Pakistan A Women	2	3	2-5	10.00	3.60
Rameen Shamim	Pakistan A Women	2	3	2-11	14.00	4.29

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ACC MEN'S U19 ASIA CUP (4 50-OVER MATCHES)

The Asian Cricket Council (ACC) has done extensive work at the junior level to build a fine generation of players for the higher stages. That base has been getting stronger and stronger with junior-level events. The ACC Under-19 Asia Cup was initiated in 1989, soon after the senior Asia Cup. Pakistan Cricket Board was amongst the leaders in the formation of ACC and has contributed immensely towards its development.

The tenth ACC Under-19 Asia Cup was held in the United Arab Emirates.. Pakistan entered the event as one of the favourites alongside India, who have won the event a record eight times including one joint title with Pakistan. But both the strong and formidable teams lost in the semi-finals. Pakistan lost to the hosts while India went down against a resurgent Bangladesh.

Pakistan opened the tournament with a seven-wicket win over Nepal. Tall and fast-paced Mohammad Zeeshan rocked the inexperienced Nepal batters with figures of 6-19 for a paltry total of 152 in 47.2 overs. Pakistan romped home in 26.2 overs for the loss of just three wickets. The talented duo of Azan Awais with 56 not out and skipper Saad Baig shone with 50 to seal the victory.

Pakistan's best win came against arch-rivals India in a creditable eight-wicket margin. Towering pacer Mohammad Zeeshan destroyed the much-vaunted Indian batting with figures of 4-46 while Ubaid Shah and Amir Hassan took two wickets apiece. Pakistan's destructive bowling kept India down to 259-9 in 50 overs with skipper Uday Saharan hitting 60 and Sachin Dhas scoring 58.



Pakistan chased down the target in 47 overs for the loss of three wickets with Azan Awais scoring a brilliant 105, Saad Baig 68 not out and Shahzaib Khan 63.
Pakistan continued to dominate the event with a convincing 83-run win against Afghanistan. Pakistan started off well with a decent 115-run opening stand between Shahzaib Khan (79) and Shamyl Hussain (75) while Mohammad Riazullah hit a rapid 69-ball 73 but the middle order faltered as they were bowled out for 303 with two overs remaining unused. Ubaid Shah and Mohammad Tayyab Arif grabbed three wickets apiece as Afghanistan were bowled out for 220 in 48.4 overs.

Three wins in three games lifted Pakistan to semi-finals where they were favourites against a lowly ranked UAE, but it turned out to be a bad day for Pakistan. Surprisingly, Pakistan Under-19 chose to field which gave UAE some advantage. The home team managed 193 in 47.5 overs with skipper Aayan Afzal Khan scoring a match-turning 55. His contribution gave UAE some hope and a fighting total. Pakistan batters were overconfident in their approach and despite Saad Baig's 50, a dogged 41 by Azan Awais and a late hand of 27 by Amir Hassan, managed 182 in 49.3 overs.





TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Ashiqur Rahman Shibli	Bangladesh U19	5	5	378	84.37	2	2
Azan Awais	Pakistan U19	4	4	222	78.72	1	1
Ariful Islam	Bangladesh U19	5	4	184	92.92	-	2

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Raj Limbani	India U19	4	12	7-13	12.50	3.82
Mohammad Zeeshan	Pakistan U19	4	11	6-19	10.81	3.68
Maruf Mridha	Bangladesh U19	4	10	4-41	11.40	3.56

ICC MEN'S U19 CRICKET WORLD CUP 2024 (6 50-OVER MATCHES)

The Under-19 World Cup is the best platform for young and upcoming players to announce themselves for senior-level cricket. Pakistan has been one of the top teams in ICC U19 World Cup history, winning the titles in 2004 and 2006. But since then they have finished as semi-finalists at the most.

In the ICC Men's U19 World Cup 2024 Pakistan had a strong squad under the leadership of Saad Baig while batting great Mohammad Yousuf was appointed head coach. Pakistan's pace attack was one of the best in the event yet. Pakistan's batting did very well in the initial matches but succumbed in the semi-final. Pakistan cruised to the semi-finals with relative ease and showed that they can break the shackles this time around and win the titlebut lost to Australia in the semi-final in a hard fought contest.

Pakistan opened the campaign with a thumping 181-run annihilation of Afghanistan. Opener Shahzaib Khan batted with maturity during his 126-ball 106, spiced with three sixes and ten boundaries. His innings set the cornerstone for a healthy 284-9 in 50 overs. Skipper Saad also chipped in with a 52-ball 55, smoking four sixes and three boundaries. Pakistan's pace duo of Ubaid Shah (4-26) and Mohammad Zeeshan (3-17) rocked Afghanistan who were bowled out for 103 in 26.2 overs.

Nepal, by all means, should have been an easy prey for Pakistan but it didn't turn out that way. A jittery five-wicket win gave Pakistan a wake-up call. Nepal managing to play all 50 overs for 197 all out was a credit to them. Bipin Rawal (39) and Deepak Dumre (26) led the fight to give their team a respectable total. Left-arm spinner Arafat Minhas took three wickets while two each were grabbed by Ubaid Shah and Ahmad Hassan. When Pakistan batted they made heavy weather of a modest target against some tight bowling, reaching the target in the 47.4 overs for the loss of five wickets. Azan Awais with 63 not out made sure there was no upset.

The Nepal near-mishap lifted the Pakistan team as they trounced New Zealand by ten wickets in a one-sided match. Pakistan's attack wrecked New Zealand for a paltry 140 in 38 overs. Left-arm spinner Arafat Minhas grabbed three wickets for only six runs. Pakistan achieved the modest target in just 25.2 overs as Shahzaib Khan (80 not out) and Shamyl Hussain (54 not out) remained unseparated in their solid opening stand.

But the usual inconsistency associated with Pakistan teams again haunted them as they narrowly avoided an upset against Ireland in the Super Six Stage. The three-wicket win was hard-earned as Pakistan made a 182-run target look tough to overhaul. At 78-4, with all in-form top-order batters gone it was left to Ahmad Hassan to anchor the chase with a fighting 57 not out as victory was achieved for the loss of seven wickets in 43.4 overs. Earlier, Ireland were bowled out for 181 in 48.4 overs with Ubaid Shah (3-31), Ali Raza (2-18), Amir Hassan (2-34) and Ahmad Hassan (2-37) sharing the spoils.

Pakistan's toughest test came against Bangladesh as they squeaked a narrow five run victory in a tense finish. Defending a below-par 156-run target, Pakistan owed their victory to the pace duo of Ubaid Shah (5-44) and Ali Raza (3-44) to snatch a hard-fought victory. At 127-9, Bangladesh had all but lost the match but Rohanat Doullah Borson almost snatched victory from the jaws of defeat. He added 21 for the last wicket but Mohammad Zeeshan bowled Maruf Mridha to give Pakistan a much-needed victory and a place in the semi-finals.

The eventual champions Australia fought hard and were lucky to carry the day by a solitary wicket. The defeat left Pakistan distraught as they fought hard to almost defend a low total of 179. Surprisingly, Pakistan batters were bogged down and did not play to their potential as in-form Shahzaib Khan took 30 balls to score just four runs. Azan Awais and Arafat Minhas held the innings with knocks of 52 each. Pakistan were rocked by tall paceman Tom Straker who finished with figures of 6-24. Pakistan did fight hard and from 102-4 they caught their rivals napping at 155-7. But Oliver Peake scored 49 to bring Australia closer to the finish line. Rafael MacMillan (19 not out) and Callum Vidler completed the win with just five deliveries left. Ali Raza 4-34 and Arafat Minhas 2-20 gave Pakistan a sniff but Ubaid Shah and Mohammad Zeeshan failed to get the tail-enders out.

Despite another semi-final defeat, Pakistan can take heart from the fact that they groomed players like Shahzaib Khan, Azan Awais, Shamyl Hussain, Saad Baig, Ali Raza, Haroon Arshad, Mohammad Zeeshan and Ubaid Shah for future. They all can graduate to play for Pakistan seniors in the time to come.



TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Uday Saharan	India U19	7	7	397	77.69	1	3
Musheer Khan	India U19	7	7	360	98.09	2	1
Harry Dixon	Australia U19	7	7	309	81.31	-	3

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Kwena Maphaka	South Africa U19	6	21	6-21	15.28	3.81
Saumy Pandey	India U19	7	18	4-19	22.94	2.68
Ubaid Shah	Pakistan U19	6	18	5-44	18.00	4.12





PAKISTAN WOMEN'S U19 TO BANGLADESH (4 T20 TRI-SERIES MATCHES)

Pakistan Cricket Board understands the importance of grooming young talent – both in men's and women's cricket – and that has helped mature the young and upcoming players. Besides arranging tournaments at the domestic level, PCB is also giving tours to the under-age teams and the results are there to be noted. These tours provide the young players a chance to counter a variety of conditions and challenge themselves in alien conditions.

As a part of that policy, Pakistan Women's U-19 team visited Bangladesh to feature in a tri-series that also involved Sri Lanka. Although Pakistan Women's team did not qualify for the finals, some good players like Samiya Afsar, Eyman Fatima and Komal Khan impressed in the batting department. Anosha Nasir, Mahnoor Aftab, Maham Anees, Laiba Nasir and Zaib-un-Nisa caught the eye in the bowling department.
Pakistan Women were unlucky to see their first match at Cox's Bazar rained off as it deprived them of a good chance to open the tri-series. Hosts Bangladesh had the better of Pakistan in the second match by 36 runs.

The home team scored 136-4 in their 20 overs with 32 from Sumiya Akter and 31 from Arbin Tani. Anosha Nasir was the pick of bowlers for Pakistan, taking 2-22. Pakistan faltered in the chase despite a solid 51-run opening stand between Eyman Fatima (39) and Samiya Afsar (25). They lost seven wickets in scoring the next 49 runs and finished on 100-7 in their allotted 20 overs.

Unsuccessful chase again haunted the Pakistan team in their third game, this time losing by 31 runs to Sri Lanka. Vishmi Gunaratne propelled Sri Lanka to a healthy 134-2 in 20 overs. Eyman and Samiya once again provided Pakistan a solid opening stand of 42 but the tempo could not be kept by the later batters as Pakistan finished on 103-4, losing the chance to play the final.

Hosts Bangladesh again proved stronger as they clinched the next game by four wickets. Pakistan Women managed to score 96-5 in their 20 overs against some tight bowling by the home bowlers. Samiya Afsar held the innings together with a fine 48 while Areesha Ansari scored 26 but other betters failed to match that scoring and Pakistan fell to a paltry total.

Despite the low total to defend, Pakistan bowlers led by Anosha Nasir (3-11) and Mahnoor Aftab (2-17) kept a tight leash. It was only skipper Sumaiya Akter (38) who stood between Pakistan bowlers to guide the home team to victory in 17 overs.

TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Nethmi Poorna Senarathna	Sri Lanka Women Under-19s	4	4	132	91.03	0	1
Vishmi Gunaratne	Sri Lanka Women Under-19s	4	4	130	107.44	0	1
Rabeya	Bangladesh Women Under-19s	4	4	105	111.7	0	1

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Rabeya	Bangladesh Women Under-19s	4	6	3-13	16.00	4.06
Anosha Nasir	Pakistan Women Under-19s	3	5	3-11	14.40	4.42
Nishita Akter Nishi	Bangladesh Women Under-19s	4	5	3-19	18.00	6.13



NATIONAL MEN'S U13 ONE-DAY TOURNAMENT (39 45-OVER MATCHES)

Catch them young", is the policy of successful sports organisations as the strategy allows to spot the talent at a very young age. Once you spot the talent at an early age, then you have time to guide them to further maturity at the next level of competition. The Under-age events, like U16, U13, U15 and U19 have helped form a good base for senior teams.

The U13 events initiated by the Pakistan Cricket Board in the last few years have yielded great talent. The National Inter-Region U-13 tournament 2023-24 consisted of 16 teams, divided into three pools. Two of the pools have five and one six teams.

The event was held from February 1 to 19, 2024 with 39 matches of 30-over-a-side played in three cities. More than 260 players took part in the competition. Pakistan Cricket Board distributed prize money of 930,000 PKR which is a great incentive for the young and upcoming players. The winners, Peshawar, pocketed PKR 500,000, and runners-up, Karachi, bagged PKR 250,000. The player of the tournament, best bowler, batter, wicket-keeper, fielder and player of the final match were awarded PKR 30,000 each.

The Pool A games took place in Karachi, while the Pool B games in Faisalabad and Pool C games were staged in Lahore. At the end of the group stage, the top team from each of the three pools advanced to the Triangular stage. The top two teams from the Triangular stage played the final. The triangular stage and final were held in Faisalabad from 15 to 19 February.



Karachi, Quetta, Hyderabad, Dera Murad Jamali and Larkana were placed in Group A. They contested hard-fought matches and from there Karachi qualified for the Triangular stage. Karachi won all its four matches.

The Pool B comprised Peshawar, Rawalpindi, Islamabad, FATA and Abbottabad regions. Peshawar qualified for the next stage with a clean sheet in four matches.

As expected, Lahore region showed they had the best talent from Pool C to reach the next stage, winning four of their five matches with one no result. Sialkot, Multan, Faisalabad, Bahawalpur and Azad Jammu & Kashmir were the other teams from this Pool.

The Triangular stage saw some good matches. Peshawar and Karachi qualified for the final which was played at Bohranwali Ground in Faisalabad.

Peshawar put up a good total of 165-7 in their allotted 30 overs. Mursaleen Khan was the top scorer with 51 not out while Farooq Akbar made 33. For Karachi Hassan Ahmed Siddique grabbed 3-23. Karachi's reply was solid until they were caught in chaos and finished on 125 all out in 22.4 overs, losing by 40 runs. For them Faisal Qurban scored 38 and Masood Ali 20. Left-arm spinner Sanaullah turned the match in Peshawar's favour with figures of 4-17. He was also declared player of the match.

PLAYER OF THE TOURNAMENT
MOHAMMAD ABUZAR ABID
(222 RUNS FROM FOUR MATCHES, HYDERABAD U13)

BEST BATTER OF THE TOURNAMENT
MURSALEEN KHAN
(250 RUNS FROM SEVEN MATCHES, PESHAWAR U13)

BEST BOWLER OF THE TOURNAMENT
MOHAMMAD AQIL
(20 WICKETS FROM SEVEN WICKETS, KARACHI U13)

BEST WICKET-KEEPER OF THE TOURNAMENT
ALI RAZA (LAHORE U13) & MUDASSAR (QUETTA U13),
SEVEN DISMISSALS EACH

BEST FIELDER OF THE TOURNAMENT
MOHAMMAD AQIL
(SIX CATCHES, KARACHI U13)

TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Mursaleen Khan	Peshawar Region Under-13s	7	7	250	84.46	0	2
Mohammad Saad	Peshawar Region Under-13s	7	7	241	103.88	0	1
Aaish Malik	Karachi Region Under-13s	7	7	227	109.66	0	2

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Mohammad Aqil	Karachi Region Under-13s	7	20	4-15	11.10	3.70
Sanaullah	Peshawar Region Under-13s	7	16	5-5	11.69	2.98
Hamdan Faisal	Peshawar Region Under-13s	6	13	3-4	12.46	2.33

NATIONAL MEN'S U16 ONE-DAY TOURNAMENT (39 45-OVER MATCHES)

The gradual stages of player development include U13, U16 U19 and "A" teams. These events form the basis of the development of players at national level. The National U16 tournament is one of the most important events of the domestic calendar.

The National U16 One Day Cup 2023-24 was played from 21 February to 9 march across three cities, Karachi, Faisalabad and Lahore. The 16 regional teams were divided into three pools with Pool A and B comprising five teams each while Pool C has six teams. In the 50-over tournament, Pool A games were played in Karachi. The Pool B teams played their matches in Faisalabad while the Pool C games took place in Lahore.

Once again as part of incentives, the Pakistan Cricket Board handed a total of PKR 0.93 million in prize money. The winner of the tournament bagged a prize money of PKR 0.5 million, while the runners-up were awarded PKR 250,000. The player of the tournament, best batter, best bowler, best wicket-keeper, best fielder and player of the final match pocketed PKR 30,000 each.

Karachi region topped Pool A, winning all four of their matches. Hyderabad finished with three wins. The other teams in the Pool – Dera Murad Jamali, Larkana and Quetta – gave a good account of themselves and had some good players. FATA region surprised all and sundry by topping the Pool B, winning all four of their matches. That was a great achievement as other teams in the Pool were Rawalpindi, Peshawar, Islamabad and Abbottabad. But there was no such upset in Pool C as Lahore came up to expectations with five wins in as many matches. Faisalabad, Multan, Bahawalpur, Sialkot and Azad Jammu & Kashmir were the other teams in the Pool.

The Triangular stage saw Karachi emerging as an unbeatable team, winning both their matches to qualify for the final. Lahore won their match against FATA who were unable to show their first round performances, losing both their matches.

The final was played at the LCCA ground in Lahore with Karachi clinching the title with a 28-run win over Lahore. Batting first, Karachi put up a solid 232-8 in their 50 overs. Aun Abbas scored a brilliant 79 while Huzaifa Ahsan chipped in with a useful 56. In reply, Lahore fell short by 28 runs as they were bowled out for 204 in 48.4 overs. Mohammad Azam fought till the end but his fine knock of 77 and Taj Mohammad's 49 went in vain. For Karachi, Asad Umar 5-43 and Niqab Shafiq 3-42 shared the spoils in bowling to help Karachi carry the day.



PLAYER OF THE FINAL MATCH
ASAD UMAR
(KARACHI U16)

PLAYER OF THE TOURNAMENT
USMAN KHAN
(376 RUNS, NINE WICKETS, FATA U16)

BEST BATTER OF THE TOURNAMENT
MOHAMMAD ROHAN KHAN
(339 RUNS, HYDERABAD U16)

BEST BOWLER OF THE TOURNAMENT
TAJ MUHAMMAD
(22 WICKETS, LAHORE U16)

BEST WICKET-KEEPER OF THE TOURNAMENT
MOHAMMAD AZAM
(163 RUNS, 12 DISMISSALS, LAHORE U16)

BEST FIELDER OF THE TOURNAMENT
SUDAIS AHMED
(SIX CATCHES, ABBOTTABAD U16)

TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Usman Khan	FATA Region Under-16s	6	6	376	98.43	1	3
Mohammad Rohan	Hyderabad Region Under-16s	4	4	339	111.15	1	2
Ali Hasnain Badshah	Multan Region Under-16s	5	5	292	164.97	1	1

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Taj Mohammad	Lahore Region Under-16s	8	22	6-30	19.91	3.48
Niqab Shafiq	Karachi Region Under-16s	7	16	5-16	21.19	2.96
Saad Sakhawat	Karachi Region Under-16s	7	16	5-17	21.00	3.14

MEN'S INTER-COLLEGE RAMADAN T20 CUP (63 T20 MATCHES)

Men's Inter-College Ramadan T20 Cup took place from 22 March to 8 April. Ever since Moshin Naqvi took over as Chairman PCB, he stressed on raising grassroot facilities and introduced Inter-College competition in the main cities. He pledged his support for grassroot cricket and initiated the Inter-College tournament in Ramadan. "Our primary focus at the PCB is to foster and enhance cricket at the grassroots level and I remain steadfast in our commitment to achieve this through the revitalisation of college cricket," he said at the launch of the event.

A total of 63 matches – 21 each in Karachi, Lahore, and Islamabad – were held within a 18-day timeframe, with PTV broadcasting eight matches on its network which not only increased the interest of the game but also helped in identifying talent at this level. Government Jinnah College emerged victorious in the Karachi-leg event by defeating Government College 36-B Landhi at Eid Gah Ground, Nazimabad by three wickets, while Punjab College clinched the trophy at the LCCA ground by triumphing over Government College University by six wickets. In Islamabad, IMPCC College H-8/4 claimed the title when they defeated Westminster by 63 runs.

"I am delighted with the meticulous planning and execution of the tournament at such short notice. On behalf of the PCB, I assure you that we will organise an even grander and more elaborate tournament next year, encompassing more teams, venues, cities, incentives and rewards.
"One of the immediate successes of this tournament is the selection of a significant number of players by district teams. These players would have missed out on this opportunity if it weren't for this tournament. Therefore, I consider this a significant achievement and a strong testament to its place and value in the Pakistan cricket calendar.

"While the tournament has been rewarding for the players, I am certain that more educational institutions will be enticed to participate and commence preparations for next year's tournament," said Naqvi, who himself watched most of the matches in Lahore which highlighted his interest in the event.

All three finals were competitive and attracted good crowds. Government Jinnah College carried the day by three wickets. The winners routed Government Landhi College for a paltry 75 in 17.5 courtesy their top four bowlers who all grabbed two wickets apiece. Jinnah College too found it hard to score and it was only after losing their seven wickets that they reached the target in 14.3 overs. Kashan Faheem was the only one who scored 25 in the match.

Punjab College won the Lahore region final, beating Government College University by six wickets. Mohammad Ayaz hit a brilliant 67-ball 100 with five sixes and ten boundaries to propel Government College University to 159-5 in their 20 overs. But Punjab College were up to the task in their chase, crossing the line for the loss of four wickets in 18.4 overs. Haider Shahjahan Baig 62 and Abu Mursad 46 set up the chase with a solid 124-run stand for the second wicket.

The Islamabad Region final was won by IMPCC H-8/4 as they beat Westminster by 63 runs in a convincing manner. The winners compiled 173-6 in their 20 overs with opener Fahad Saleem cracking a 46-ball 59 and Abdul Jabbar scoring a 47-ball 56. Westminster were halted by a brilliant opening spell by Husnain Ali who took 3-25 as they managed 110-7.

The Inter-College threw up some exciting talent who showed the knack to quickly adapt to the demands of T20 cricket. Mohammad Ayaz of Government College University topped the batting chart with 392 in five matches with an impressive strike rate of 164. Haider Shahjahan Baig with 391 runs and a strike rate of solid 181 looked the real talent. Obaid Shahid of Punjab College (186.49), Mohammad Ghazi Ghori of Government College for men (175.65) and Abdul Jabbar of IMPCC H-8/4 (144.78) were also impressive in strike rates.



TOP 3 BATTERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	INNS	RUNS	SR	100	50
Mohammad Ayaz	Government College University	5	5	392	164.02	2	2
Haider Shahjahan Baig	Punjab College	5	5	391	181.02	1	4
Obaid Shahid	Punjab College	5	5	276	186.49	1	2

TOP 3 BOWLERS

NAME	TEAM	MATS	WKTS	BB	SR	ECON
Naeem Gul	Government Jinnah College	5	13	5-10	9.23	4.60
Ahmed Arif	Punjab College	5	11	4-2	8.91	4.47
Saifullah Khan	Government College 36-B Landhi	5	10	3-9	9.30	4.97





CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT 2022-23



The Pakistan Cricket Board delivered another operationally and financially successful fiscal year which ended on 30 June 2023.

During this period, the PCB hosted England twice after 17 years for two memorable series. Similarly, New Zealand also toured Pakistan twice for the red and white-ball series, and our teams toured Sri Lanka, the Netherland, New Zealand, Sharjah and participated in ICC Men's T20 World Cup in Australia.

On the domestic front, the PCB once again delivered a complete season of scheduled cricketing activities. The PCB reinstated departmental cricket structure and all its scheduled matches of National T20, National U19 Championship and Cup, National U16, Quaid-e-Azam Trophy, Hanif Mohammad Trophy, the Pakistan Cup and Hanif Mohammad Cup were delivered successfully.

Pakistan women's wing also had a busy 2023-24 season, hosting South Africa and West Indies cricket teams for the ICC Women's Championship 2022-25, which included eight T20Is as well. During the season, the Pakistan women's team also toured Bangladesh, New Zealand and England for a white-ball series, and they also featured in the 19th Asian Games in China. The women's wing introduced the first-ever domestic contracts for the women cricketers for the 2023-24 season. More than 70 cricketers were awarded contracts in this regard.

The HBL PSL 2023 was organised across four venues in Pakistan - Lahore, Karachi, Rawalpindi and Multan, and was very successfully conducted. Despite an increase in cost due to an increase of venues from two to four, the overall profitability of PSL increased as compared to last year. This increase in profitability resulted from an efficient and an economical management of the event by the PCB-PSL team.

On the financial side, gross revenues, as compared to the previous year, increased by PKR7.4 billion primarily due to an increase in countries touring Pakistan, which resulted in an increase in commercial revenues from sale of commercial contracts, an increase in ICC Members' Distribution and due to an increase in our investment income resulting from better management of available reserves.

Likewise, the increase in host series corresponding expenses also increased by PKR4.86 billion as compared to last year. Furthermore, the continuously high inflation in Pakistan also contributed in expenses being on higher side. However, this increase in cost was offset by the increase in our revenues.

In summation, for 2022-23 fiscal year, the Pakistan Cricket Board earned a pre-tax operational surplus of PKR3.9 billion and an after-tax surplus of PKR3.08 billion.

The fiscal year 2024-25 will be an important and challenging year since the PCB is scheduled to host the ICC Champions Trophy in 2025 after the gap of almost 29 years. This will be in addition to all our hone international and domestic cricketing activities.

In conclusion, PCB's financial health continues to strengthen with cash reserves reaching its highest level ever.

I would like to acknowledge the major contributions made by our business partners like HBL PSL franchises, the broadcasters and all our commercial partners along with PCB staff.

JAVED MURTAZA

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT 2022-23

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT
TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF PAKISTAN CRICKET BOARD
REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Opinion

We have audited the annexed financial statements of **Pakistan Cricket Board** ("the Board"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at **June 30, 2022**, and the statement of income and expenditure, the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of changes in general fund, the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information (*hereinafter referred as "the financial statements"*).

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Board as at June 30, 2022, and its financial performance, the changes in general fund and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as applicable in Pakistan.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs) as applicable in Pakistan. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Board in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants as adopted by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Pakistan (the Code) and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter

We draw attention to the note 5.1.2 and note 6.2 of the accompanying financial statements which describe that the Board has capitalized and in process of capitalizing certain costs in connection with the construction and installation of civil works, flood lights and electric screens at Rawalpindi Cricket Stadium, Iqbal Cricket Stadium Faisalabad, Ghari Khuda Buksh Cricket Stadium and National Cricket Academy Lahore, however, the lease agreements in respect of such stadiums and academy have not been finalized yet with the concerned government departments. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of Management and Board of Governors for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with those requirements of the IFRSs as applicable in Pakistan, relevant to preparation of such financial statements and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Board's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless Federal Government either intends to liquidate the Board or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Board of Governors are responsible for overseeing the Board's financial reporting process.

Information Other than the Financial Statements and Auditors' Report Thereon

We understand that there will be no other information accompanying the financial statements. Accordingly, we do not have any obligation to report on such information.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs as applicable in Pakistan will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs as applicable in Pakistan, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Board's internal control.

- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.

- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Board's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Board to cease to continue as a going concern.

- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Board of Governors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Other Matter

The financial statements of the Board for the year ended June 30, 2021 were audited by another auditor who expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements on April 26, 2022.

*The engagement partners on the audit resulting in this independent auditors' report are **Mehmood A. Razzak** (Baker Tilly Mehmood Idrees Qamar, Chartered Accountants) and **Nouman Razaq Khan** (PKF F.R.A.N.T.S., Chartered Accountants).*

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Chartered Accountants
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Date: February 12, 2024

UDIN: AR202210151Rl0qgYnfE

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Date: February 12, 2024

UDIN: AR202210205m3hEBd9Vf

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2022-23

PAKISTAN CRICKET BOARD
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT JUNE 30, 2022

ASSETS	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
Non-current assets			
Property and equipment			
- Operating fixed assets	5	2,245,202,554	1,579,798,907
- Capital work-in-progress	6	51,852,595	1,096,906,738
Investment property	7	308,178,258	-
Intangible assets	8	12,593,491	3,745,113
Long-term investment	9	37,500	37,500
Long-term security deposits		9,430,784	9,390,658
		2,627,295,182	2,689,878,916
Current assets			
Stores and spares		60,814,090	45,841,498
Due from sponsors, franchisees, boards and associations	10	3,478,334,011	2,475,189,259
Loans and advances	11	452,638,925	302,123,603
Short-term prepayments	12	9,741,548	25,841,561
Other receivables	13	576,604,647	233,728,363
Taxation - net	14	576,152,277	465,269,325
Short-term investments	15	15,638,947,381	13,139,147,381
Cash and bank balances	16	1,438,290,071	564,087,388
		22,231,522,950	17,251,228,378
TOTAL ASSETS		24,858,818,132	19,941,107,294
FUND AND LIABILITIES			
General fund		17,304,552,163	16,263,237,513
Non-current liabilities			
Long-term liabilities	17	32,278,463	59,652,840
Deferred revenue	18	627,713,473	95,649,676
Long-term security deposits		18,732,956	599,215
		678,724,892	155,901,731
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	19	5,532,099,536	3,204,925,480
Current portion of long-term liabilities and deferred revenue	20	1,343,441,541	317,042,570
		6,875,541,077	3,521,968,050
TOTAL FUND AND LIABILITIES		24,858,818,132	19,941,107,294
CONTINGENCIES AND COMMITMENTS	21	-	-

The annexed notes from 1 to 44 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Chief Financial Officer **Chief Operating Officer**

PAKISTAN CRICKET BOARD
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

INCOME	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
Revenue from:			
- Tours outside Pakistan		55,010,000	105,338,225
- Tours inside Pakistan and neutral venues	22	1,051,557,517	493,835,845
- Tournaments:			
- Domestic	23	70,037,264	38,546,153
- International	24	2,811,484,659	2,459,310,000
- Pakistan Super League:			
- Revenue	25	3,341,247,927	3,809,232,667
- Share of franchisees - COVID - 19 Relief		-	(1,637,977,346)
		3,341,247,927	2,171,255,321
		7,329,337,367	5,268,285,544
Sponsorship and logo income		118,693,890	54,490,386
Rental income	26	67,291,650	27,069,306
Return on investments and bank deposits	27	1,173,614,872	928,117,677
Other income	28	344,934,646	52,879,204
		1,704,535,058	1,062,556,573
Total income		9,033,872,425	6,330,842,117
EXPENDITURE			
Direct expenses related to:			
- Tours outside Pakistan	29	(496,531,389)	(565,392,354)
- Tours inside Pakistan and neutral venues	30	(1,344,069,953)	(760,595,962)
- Tournaments:			
- Domestic	31	(1,553,340,144)	(1,132,573,191)
- International	32	(237,492,910)	(5,737,409)
- Pakistan Super League	33	(1,267,264,164)	(2,408,883,350)
- Cricket promotional expenses	34	(1,016,564,633)	(744,074,342)
		(5,915,263,193)	(5,617,256,608)
Administrative expenses	35	(1,440,000,255)	(1,177,074,035)
Depreciation and amortization	36	(238,219,853)	(185,613,697)
Financial and other charges	37	(5,667,289)	(106,982,947)
		(1,683,887,397)	(1,469,670,679)
Total expenditure		(7,599,150,590)	(7,086,927,287)
Surplus / (deficit) for the year before taxation		1,434,721,835	(756,085,170)
Taxation	38	(393,407,185)	(79,841,639)
Surplus / (deficit) for the year after taxation		1,041,314,650	(835,926,809)

The annexed notes from 1 to 44 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Chief Financial Officer **Chief Operating Officer**

PAKISTAN CRICKET BOARD
STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
Surplus / (deficit) for the year after taxation	**1,041,314,650**	(835,926,809)
Other comprehensive income	-	-
Total comprehensive income / (loss) for the year	**1,041,314,650**	(835,926,809)

The annexed notes from 1 to 44 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Chief Financial Officer **Chief Operating Officer**

PAKISTAN CRICKET BOARD
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	General Fund Rupees
Balance as at July 01, 2020	**17,099,164,322**
Deficit for the year after taxation	(835,926,809)
Other comprehensive income	-
Total comprehensive loss for the year	(835,926,809)
Balance as at June 30, 2021	**16,263,237,513**
Surplus for the year after taxation	1,041,314,650
Other comprehensive income	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	1,041,314,650
Balance as at June 30, 2022	**17,304,552,163**

The annexed notes from 1 to 44 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Chief Financial Officer **Chief Operating Officer**

PAKISTAN CRICKET BOARD
STATEMENT OF CASHFLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Surplus / (deficit) for the year before taxation		**1,434,721,835**	(756,085,170)
Adjustments for non-cash items:			
Depreciation and amortization	*36*	**266,883,098**	207,947,229
Provision for expected credit losses	*33 & 35*	**23,882,003**	129,432,926
Unrealised exchange (gain) / loss		**(1,537,974)**	98,816,986
Gain on disposal of operating fixed assets	*28*	**(6,507,277)**	(396,990)
Adjustment of advance rent		**(3,355,664)**	(3,355,664)
Settlement loss for unfunded gratuity	*17.1.1*	**-**	871,963
Interest expense on lease liabilities	*37*	**5,259,318**	5,132,600
Financial charges	*37*	**1,089,874**	714,060
		285,713,378	439,163,110
Cash flows before working capital changes		**1,720,435,213**	(316,922,060)
Cash flows from working capital changes			
(Increase) / decrease in current assets:			
Stores and spares		**(14,972,592)**	772,519
Due from sponsors, franchisees, boards and associations		**(1,003,144,752)**	257,795,509
Loans and advances		**(174,397,325)**	(156,943,735)
Short-term prepayments		**16,100,013**	38,315,691
Other receivables		**(342,876,284)**	(43,519,002)
		(1,519,290,940)	96,420,982
Increase in current liabilities:			
Trade and other payables		**3,856,031,168**	1,707,933,440
Cash generated from operations		**4,057,175,441**	1,487,432,362
Financial charges paid		**(1,089,874)**	(714,060)
Income tax paid		**(504,290,137)**	(266,476,997)
Staff retirement benefits - gratuity paid		**-**	(288,390,475)
Leave encashment paid		**-**	(73,656,600)
Long-term loans - net		**-**	1,761,006
		(505,380,011)	(627,477,126)
Net cash generated from operating activities		**3,551,795,430**	859,955,236
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Capital expenditure incurred		**(206,999,982)**	(287,638,137)
Proceeds from disposal of property and equipment		**9,575,646**	548,470
Long-term security deposits - net		**18,093,615**	(18,400)
Net cash used in investing activities		**(179,330,721)**	(287,108,067)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		**3,372,464,709**	572,847,169
Effects of exchange rate on cash and cash equivalents		**1,537,974**	(98,816,986)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year		**13,703,234,769**	13,229,204,586
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	*39*	**17,077,237,452**	13,703,234,769

The annexed notes from 1 to 44 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Chief Financial Officer **Chief Operating Officer**

PAKISTAN CRICKET BOARD
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

1. STATUS AND NATURE OF BUSINESS

The Pakistan Cricket Board (hereinafter referred to as "*PCB*" or the "*Board*") was constituted as a statutory body in Pakistan on September 18, 1979, by the Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism vide S.R.O 848 (I) / 79. The constitution of the Board was reissued on October 18, 2007, by the Ministry of Sports vide S.R.O 64 (KE) / 2007, under the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 3 read with section 4 of the Sports (Development and Control) Ordinance, 1962 (XVI of 1962). In 2013, constitution was reissued again vide S.R.O 100(I)/2013, dated February 14, 2013, by the Federal Government under the powers conferred by the Ordinance as aforementioned. In 2014, a revised constitution was issued vide S.R.O 43 (KE) / 2014, dated July 10, 2014, under the powers conferred by the Ordinance as aforementioned. During 2015 and 2016, certain amendments were made vide S.R.O 38 (KE) / 2015, and S.R.O. 20 (KE) / 2016, respectively under the powers conferred by the Ordinance as aforementioned. S.R.O 43 (KE) / 2014, has now been repealed and superseded by S.R.O. 1045 (I) / 2019, on August 19, 2019. Under the PCB Constitution, the Board is a body corporate having perpetual succession and a common seal with powers to acquire, hold or dispose of property, and may sue or be sued in its name. The head office of PCB is situated at Gaddafi Stadium, Lahore.

PCB as the sole regulator for the game of cricket in Pakistan performs its functions according to the objectives laid down in its Constitution which primarily relate to regulating the affairs of cricket all over Pakistan. Accordingly, PCB promotes and regulate all formats of domestic and international cricket for men, women, physically challenged or otherwise handicapped such as the blind, deaf and others in the country. For this purpose, PCB generates funds from its own sources without any donation or funding from any third party or any Provincial or Federal Government.

PCB provides monetary grants to its Constituent Members as defined in the PCB Constitution i.e. all entities constituted pursuant to the terms thereof. This is to ensure development of cricket right from the grass root levels. PCB, as the autonomous governing body of Pakistan cricket, is also responsible for monitoring the functions conducted by these Constituent Members in respect of affairs pertaining to cricket in their respective jurisdictions.

Additionally, for the purpose of regulation of the game and those affiliated with the game or PCB in any manner whatsoever, PCB has put in place codes and regulations relating to the matters of discipline, anti-corruption, anti-doping and other issues concerning activities involving the game, followed by the measures to implement the same.

PCB organizes cricket tournaments and series round the year at domestic levels all over Pakistan to give opportunities to the youngsters. On the international level, PCB organizes its home series in Pakistan and at other neutral venues and also sends the national teams for participation in cricket tournaments in collaboration with the International Cricket Council, Asian Cricket Council and other Foreign Cricket Boards. In this regard, the selection of teams for domestic and international purposes is one of the most important functions and responsibilities of PCB.

In order to fulfil its functions, PCB is additionally authorized to develop cricket infrastructure within Pakistan for which it undertakes any act deemed appropriate to own, acquire, deal with, obtain or let on lease moveable or immoveable property and other ancillary and related functions.

2. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with approved accounting and reporting standards as applicable in Pakistan. Approved accounting and reporting standards comprise of such International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS Standards) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) as applicable in Pakistan.

3. BASIS OF PREPARATION

3.1 These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except otherwise stated in the respective notes and policies. In these financial statements, except for the amounts reflected in statement of cash flows, all transactions have been accounted for on accrual basis.

3.2 Functional and presentation currency

These financial statements are presented in Pakistan Rupee (Rs. / Rupees) which is the Board's functional currency. Amounts presented in the financial statements have been rounded off to the nearest of Rs. / Rupees, unless otherwise stated.

3.3 Significant accounting judgments and critical accounting estimates / assumptions

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the approved accounting and reporting standards requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires the management to exercise its judgment in the process of applying the Board's accounting policies. Estimates and judgments are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience, including expectation of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The areas where various assumptions and estimates are significant to the Board's financial statements or where judgments were exercised in application of accounting policies are as follows:

- Useful lives, residual value, depreciation method and impairment of the property and equipment (Note 4.2)
- Useful lives, residual value, depreciation method of investment property (Note 4.3)
- Useful lives, residual value, amortization method of intangible assets (Note 4.4)
- Allowance for slow moving / obsolete items (Note 4.6)
- Provision for expected credit losses (Note 4.8)
- Current income tax expense, provision for current tax and recognition of deferred tax asset (for carried forward tax losses) (Note 4.9)
- Provision of unfunded gratuity (Note 4.10.1)
- Provision of earned leave (Note 4.10.3)
- Revenue from contracts with customers (Note 4.14)
- Contingencies (Note 4.18)

4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The significant accounting policies which have been adopted in the preparation of financial statements of the Board are consistent with previous years.

4.1 Standards, interpretations and amendments to accounting and reporting standards as applicable in Pakistan which are effective in current period

New accounting standards / amendments and IFRS interpretations that are effective for the year ended June 30, 2022

There are certain amendments and interpretations to the accounting and reporting standards which are mandatory for accounting periods beginning on or after July 01, 2021. However, these are not considered to be relevant / do not have any significant impact on the Board's financial statements, that's why have not been detailed here.

New accounting standards / amendments and IFRS interpretations that are not yet effective

The following new accounting standards, interpretations and amendments to accounting and reporting standards are effective for accounting periods, beginning on or after the date mentioned against each of them. These amendments, interpretations and standards are, either not relevant to the Board's operations, or are not expected to have a significant impact on the Board's financial statements other than certain additional disclosures.

Standards or Interpretations	Effective from annual period beginning on or after
Amendments to IFRS 3 'Business Combinations' that updated an outdated reference in IFRS 3 without significantly changing its requirements.	January 1, 2022
Amendments to IFRS 9 'Financial Instruments' - regarding fees in the '10 percent' test for the derecognition of financial liabilities.	January 1, 2022
Amendments to IFRS 10 'Consolidated Financial Statements' and IAS 28 'Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures' - sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture.	Date to be determined. Earlier application is permitted.
Amendments to IFRS 16 'Leases' - regarding lease incentives.	January 1, 2022
Amendments to IAS 1 'Presentation of Financial Statements' - Classification of liabilities as current or non-current and disclosure of accounting policies.	January 1, 2023
Amendments to IAS 8 'Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors' - regarding the definition of accounting estimates.	January 1, 2023
Amendments to IAS 12 'Income Taxes' - regarding deferred tax on leases and decommissioning obligations.	January 1, 2023
Amendments to IAS 16 'Property, Plant and Equipment', prohibiting the Company from deducting from the cost of property plant and equipment, amount received from selling items produce while the Company is preparing the asset for its intended use.	January 1, 2022
Amendments to IAS 37 'Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets' regarding the costs of fulfilling the contract to include when assessing whether a contract is onerous.	January 1, 2022
Amendments to IAS 41 'Agriculture' - taxation in fair value management.	January 1, 2022

Certain annual improvements have also been made to a number of IFRSs.

Other than the aforesaid standards, interpretations and amendments, the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) has also issued the following standards which have not been adopted locally by the Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan:

- IFRS 1 – First Time Adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards
- IFRS 17 – Insurance Contracts

4.2 **Property and equipment**

4.2.1 **Operating fixed assets and depreciation**

Owned:

a) **Measurement**

Operating fixed assets except freehold land are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, if any. Freehold land is stated at cost less impairment loss if any. Cost comprises purchase price, including import duties and non-refundable purchase taxes, after deducting trade discounts and rebates, and includes other costs directly attributable to the acquisition or construction, erection and installation.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognized as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Board and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repair and maintenance costs are charged to statement of income and expenditure during the year in which they are incurred.

b) **Depreciation**

Depreciation on property and equipment is charged to statement of income and expenditure on straight line method so as to write off the cost of an asset over its estimated useful life at the rates given in note 5. Full month depreciation is charged on additions when available for use while no depreciation is charged in the month of disposal.

c) **Disposal**

An item of property and equipment is derecognized upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition of the asset (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and carrying amount of the asset) is included in the statement of income and expenditure in the year the asset is derecognized.

d) **Impairment**

The carrying amounts of the Board's property and equipment are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount of such asset is estimated. An impairment loss is recognized wherever the carrying amount of the asset exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognized in the statement of income and expenditure. A previously recognized impairment loss is reversed only if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the asset's recoverable amount since the last impairment loss was recognized. If that is the case, the carrying amount of the asset/cash generating unit is increased to its recoverable amount. That increased amount cannot exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation, had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset in prior years.

4.2.2 **Right of use assets**

a) **Measurement**

Right of use assets are initially measured at cost being the present value of lease payments, initial direct costs, any lease payments made at or before the commencement of the lease as reduced by any incentives received. These are subsequently measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, if any.

b) **Depreciation**

Depreciation is charged on straight line basis over the shorter of the lease term or the useful life of the asset. Where the ownership of the asset transfers to the Board at the end of the lease term or if the cost of the asset reflects that the Board will exercise the purchase option, depreciation is charged over the useful life of asset.

The Board has elected to apply the practical expedient not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for short-term leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less and leases of low-value assets. The lease payments associated with these leases are recognised as an expense on a straight line basis over the lease term.

4.2.3 **Capital work-in-progress**

Capital work-in-progress represents expenditures on property and equipment in the course of construction and installation. Transfers are made to relevant property and equipment category as and when assets are available for use and the costs can be measured reliably. Capital work in progress is stated at cost less identified impairment loss, if any.

4.2.4 **Advance against purchase of non-current assets**

Advance payments for the purchase of operating fixed assets and intangible assets are classified under the non-current assets.

4.3 **Investment property**

a) **Measurement**

Property not held for own use or for sale in the ordinary course of business is classified as investment property. The Board uses cost model for valuation of its investment property. Freehold land has been valued at cost less any impairment loss whereas buildings on freehold land have been valued at cost less accumulated depreciation and any impairment loss. A property is transferred to, or from, investment property when there is a change in use.

Rental income from investment property that is leased to a third party under an operating lease is recognised in the statement of income and expenditure on a straight line basis over the lease term.

b) **Depreciation**

Depreciation on investment property is charged to statement of income and expenditure on straight line method, so as to write off, the cost over its estimated useful life at the rates given in Note 7. Full month depreciation is charged in the month of addition while no depreciation is charged in the month of disposal.

c) **Judgement and Estimates**

The useful life, residual value and depreciation method are reviewed on a regular basis. The effect of any change in estimate is accounted for on a prospective basis. Any gain or loss on disposal of an investment property (calculated as the difference between the net proceeds from disposals and the carrying amount of the investment property) is recognized in statement of income and expenditure.

4.4 Intangible assets

Intangible assets are recognized when it is probable that the expected future economic benefits will flow to the entity and the cost of the asset can be measured reliably. Cost of the intangible asset include purchase cost and directly attributable expenses incidental to bring the asset for its intended use. Intangible assets are amortized using the straight line method over a period of three years. Intangible assets are stated at cost less accumulated amortization and accumulated impairment losses, if any. Amortization on additions to intangible assets is charged from the month in which an asset is acquired or capitalized while no amortization is charged for the month in which the asset is disposed off.

4.4.1 Judgement and Estimates

The useful lives, residual values and amortization method are reviewed on a regular basis. The effect of any change in estimate is accounted for on a prospective basis.

4.5 Investment in associate

Associate is an entity over which the Board has significant influence but not control, generally accompanying a shareholding between 20% and 50% of the voting rights. Investment in associate is accounted for using the equity method of accounting and is initially recognised at cost. The Board's investment in associate includes goodwill identified on acquisition, net of any accumulated impairment loss.

The Board's share of its associate's post-acquisition profits or losses is recognised in the statement of income and expenditure, and its share of post-acquisition movements in reserves is recognised in general fund. The cumulative post acquisition movements are adjusted against the carrying amount of the investment. When the Board's share of losses in an associate equals or exceeds its interest in the associate, including any other unsecured receivables, the Board does not recognise further losses, unless it has incurred obligations or has made payments on behalf of the associate.

4.6 Stores and spares

Stores and spares are stated at lower of cost and net realizable value. Cost is determined by using the moving average method. Items in transit are valued at cost comprising invoice value plus other charges incurred thereon. Allowance is made for slow moving and obsolete items. Net realizable value signifies the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less estimated costs of completion and selling expenses.

4.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash-in-hand, cash at banks on current, saving and deposit accounts and other short term highly liquid instruments that are readily convertible into known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

4.8 Trade and other receivables

Trade receivables (including due from sponsors, franchisees, boards and association) represents the Board's unconditional right to an amount of consideration.

Trade receivables are initially recognized at original invoice amount (as agreed in agreement) which is the fair value of the consideration to be received and subsequently measured at cost less allowance for expected credit loss.

The Board uses simplified approach for measuring the expected credit losses for all trade and other receivables. The Board uses a time-related provision matrix to estimate expected credit losses wherein trade receivables are grouped and provided for, on basis of time since outstanding. Debts considered irrecoverable, are written off.

4.9 Taxation

4.9.1 Current

Provision for current tax is based on taxable income for the year determined in accordance with the prevailing law for taxation of income. The charge for current tax is calculated using prevailing current tax rates or tax rates after taking into account minimum taxation, rebates and tax credits, if any, expected to apply to the income for the year, if enacted. For revenues covered under final tax regime, current tax is based on applicable tax rates applied to such revenues. The charge for current tax also includes adjustments, where considered necessary, to provision for tax made in previous years arising from assessments framed during the year.

4.9.2 Deferred

Deferred tax is accounted for by using the balance sheet liability method on all timing differences between carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and their tax base. Deferred tax liabilities are recognized for all taxable temporary differences. The Board recognizes deferred tax assets on all deductible temporary differences to the extent it is probable that future taxable income will be available against which these deductible temporary differences can be utilized. Deferred tax asset is also recognized for the carry forward of unused tax losses and unused tax credits to the extent it is probable that future taxable income will be available against which the unused tax losses and unused tax credits can be utilized. Deferred tax is charged to / credited in the statement of income and expenditure except in case of items credited or charged to statement of comprehensive income in which case it is included in statement of comprehensive income.

The carrying amount of all deferred tax assets is reviewed at each statement of financial position date and adjusted to the appropriate extent, if it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax assets to be utilized.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realized or liability is settled, based on the tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the statement of financial position date.

Deferred tax asset, the potential tax benefit of which amounts to Rs. 929.607 million (2021: Rs. 1,232.170 million) at year-end has not been recognized considering the tax losses incurred in previous years and probability of tax losses in future as a matter of prudence. Deductible temporary differences against which no deferred tax asset has been recognized amount to Rs. 1,156.860 million (2021: Rs. 1,134.262 million). Further, the amount and expiry of unused tax losses and tax credits available at year-end for which no deferred tax asset has been recognized are given as follows:

Nature	Rupees	Expiry (Tax Year)
Minimum Tax		
Tax Year 2018	21,016,299	2023
Tax Year 2021	73,875,564	2026
Alternate Corporate Tax		
Tax Year 2019	41,292,892	2029
Tax Year 2020	368,916,554	2030

Nature	Rupees	Expiry (Tax Year)
Unused Tax Losses		
Depreciation / amortization losses	306,954,273	No Expiry

4.10 Employee benefits

4.10.1 Defined benefits plan - unfunded gratuity

Effective from July 01, 2011, the Board reintroduced a unfunded gratuity scheme for all its regular employees who remain in PCB service for a continuous period of 3 years from the date of introduction of this scheme. Employees under the scheme were entitled to the amount equal to last drawn salary multiplied by years of service. Gratuity scheme was discontinued effective May 15, 2020 and liability against the gratuity scheme was fully paid to employees in the prior years.

As per IAS 19, plan obligation is determined by using projected unit credit method, actuarial gain and loss for defined benefit plans are recognized in the other comprehensive income when they occur. Amounts recorded in the statement of income and expenditure are limited to current and past service cost. All other charges in the net defined benefit liability are recognized in the other comprehensive income with no subsequent recycling to the statement of income and expenditure. Any past service cost (vested and non-vested) is recognized immediately in the statement of income and expenditure upon changes in the benefit plans.

4.10.2 Defined contribution plan - employees provident fund

The Board operates employee's provident fund for its permanent employees. Equal monthly contributions at the rate of 8.33% of basic pay are made by both, the PCB and employees to the fund. Any employee who leaves before the span of three years is not entitled to PCB contribution. The charge is recognized in the statement of income and expenditure.

4.10.3 Earned leaves

Entitlement of the employees of the Board to accumulating earned leaves up to a maximum of two years (48 leaves), encashable on retirement or resignation has been discontinued by the Board w.e.f. May 15, 2020. Under the new policy, employees are entitled to accumulate non-encashable earned leaves up to a maximum of 14 working days.

4.11 Lease Liabilities

The Board as a lessee

The Board assesses whether a contract is or contains a lease, at inception of the contract. The Board recognises a right-of-use asset and a corresponding lease liability with respect to all lease arrangements in which it is the lessee, except for short-term leases (defined as leases with a lease term of 12 months or less) and leases of low value assets. For short term lease leases, the Board recognises the lease payments as an operating expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease unless another systematic basis is more representative of the time pattern in which economic benefits from the leased assets are consumed.

The lease liability against right-of-use asset is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted by using the rate implicit in the lease. If this rate cannot be readily determined, the lessee uses its incremental borrowing rate.

The lease liability is subsequently measured by increasing the carrying amount to reflect interest on the lease liability (using the effective interest method) and by reducing the carrying amount to reflect the lease payments made.

The Board as a lessor

Leases for which the Board is a lessor are classified as finance or operating leases. Whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee, the contract is classified as a finance lease. All other leases are classified as operating leases. When the Board is an intermediate lessor, it accounts for the head lease and the sublease as two separate contracts. The sublease is classified as a finance or operating lease by reference to the right-of-use asset arising from the head lease.

Amounts due from lessees under finance leases are recognised as receivables at the amount of the Board's net investment in the leases. Finance lease income is allocated to accounting periods so as to reflect a constant periodic rate of return on the Boards' net investment outstanding in respect of the leases.

4.12 Creditors and other payables

Liabilities for the creditors and other amounts payable are carried at cost, which is the fair value of the consideration to be paid in future for the goods and/or services received, whether or not billed to the Board.

4.13 Financial instruments

Financial instruments comprise due from sponsors, franchisees, boards and associations, short term investments, long term loans, long term security deposits, other receivables, cash and bank balances, creditors and other payables, obligations against the assets subject to finance lease and retention money payable.

Financial assets and liabilities are recognized at the time the Board becomes a party to contractual provisions of the instruments. Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recognized immediately in profit or loss.

4.13.1 Financial assets

All regular way purchases or sales of financial assets are recognized and derecognized on a trade date basis. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the time frame established by regulation or convention in the marketplace.

All recognized financial assets are measured subsequently in their entirety at either amortized cost or fair value, depending on the classification of the financial assets.

Classification of financial assets

a) Debt instruments measured at amortized cost

Debt instruments that meet the following conditions are measured subsequently at amortized cost:

- The financial asset is held within a business model whose objective is to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows; and
- The contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

Amortized cost and effective interest method

The amortized cost of a financial asset is the amount at which the financial asset is measured at initial recognition minus the principal repayments, plus the cumulative amortization using the effective interest method of any difference between that initial amount and the maturity amount, adjusted for any loss allowance. The gross carrying amount of a financial asset is the amortized cost of a financial asset before adjusting for any loss allowance.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortized cost of a debt instrument and of allocating interest income over the relevant period. Interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of a financial asset.

As at reporting date, the Board carries cash and cash equivalents, due from sponsors, franchisees, boards and associates, other receivables and short term investments at amortized cost.

b) Debt instruments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVTOCI)

Debt instruments whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets and the contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding are measured subsequently at FVTOCI.

As at reporting date, the Board does not hold any debt instrument classified as at FVTOCI.

c) Equity instruments designated as at FVTOCI

On initial recognition, the Board may make an irrevocable election (on an instrument by instrument basis) to designate investments in equity instruments as at FVTOCI.

As at reporting date, the Board does not hold any equity instruments designated at FVTOCI.

d) Financial assets measured subsequently at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)

By default, all other financial assets are measured subsequently at FVTPL.
As at reporting date, the Board does not hold any assets classified at FVTPL.

Impairment of financial assets

The board recognises a loss allowance for expected credit losses on financial assets that are measured at amortised cost. The amount of expected credit losses is updated at each reporting date to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition of the respective financial instrument.

The Board recognises lifetime ECL for trade receivables by using simplified approach. For all other financial instruments, the board recognises lifetime ECL when there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition. However, if the credit risk on the financial instrument has not increased significantly since initial recognition, the board measures the loss allowance for that financial instrument at an amount equal to 12-month ECL. Lifetime ECL represents the expected credit losses that will result from all possible default events over the expected life of a financial instrument. In contrast, 12-month ECL represents the portion of lifetime ECL that is expected to result from default events on a financial instrument that are possible within 12 months after the reporting date.

The ECL rate for trade receivables is determined based on historical loss rates and varies depending on whether and the extent to which settlement of the trade receivables is overdue and it is also adjusted as appropriate to reflect current economic conditions and estimates of future conditions. The key drivers of the loss rate are the nature of the receivable as well as location and type of customer. The historical loss rates are adjusted to reflect current and forward-looking information on macroeconomic factors affecting the ability of the customers to settle the receivables. In assessing whether the credit risk of other financial asset has significantly increased the board takes into account qualitative and quantitative reasonable and supportable forward looking information.

Write-off policy

The Board writes off financial assets against allowance for ECL when there is information indicating that the amount is not recoverable due to the conflict in invoices with customer. Financial assets written off may still be subject to enforcement activities under the board's recovery procedures, taking into account legal advice where appropriate. Any recoveries made against financial assets written-off are recognised in statement of income and expenditure.

Derecognition of financial assets

Financial assets are derecognized when the Board loses control of the contractual rights that comprise the financial asset. The Board loses such control if it realizes the rights to benefits specified in contract, the rights expire or the Board surrenders those rights. Financial liabilities are derecognized when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expired.

Financial assets and liabilities are set off and the net amount is reported in the financial statements when there is legally enforceable right to set off and the Board intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realize the assets and to settle the liabilities simultaneously.

4.13.1 Financial liabilities

Subsequent measurement of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities that are not:
a) contingent consideration of an acquirer in a business combination;
b) held for trading; or
c) designated as at FVTPL, are measured subsequently at amortized cost using the effective interest method.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortized cost of a financial liability and of allocating interest cost of a financial liability. Expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments (including all fees and points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life of the financial liability, or (where appropriate) a shorter period, to the amortized cost of a financial liability.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

The Board derecognizes financial liabilities when, and only when, the Board's obligations are discharged, cancelled or have expired. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability derecognized and the consideration paid and payable is recognized in statement of income and expenditure.

4.14 Revenue recognition

The Board has applied the five-step model under IFRS 15 – Revenue from contract with customers to determine when to recognize revenue and in what amount by:

- Identifying the contracts with customers.
- Identifying the separate performance obligations (PO).
- Determining the transaction price.
- Allocating the transaction price to the separate PO.
- Recognizing revenue when each PO is satisfied.

The Board recognizes revenue from the following major sources:

- Sale of international and domestic media rights, after allowance for commission and charges.
- Commercial sponsorship agreements;
- Match income (ticket sales) received for all matches;
- Distributions from external entities;
- Donations and special funds;
- Return on investments; and
- Rental Income.

Revenue from tours and tournaments is recognized in statement of income & expenditure in the period such tours and tournaments are completed, until such period, the amount received if any, is treated as a deferred revenue.

a) International and domestic media rights

The Board enters into agreements with broadcast partners in respect of international and domestic broadcast rights for the viewing of live and archive footage of cricket matches.

Media rights revenue is recognized at the completion of the relevant series covered by the underlying contract. The Board has provided a right to use its intellectual property to the broadcast partners where the control of the rights is transferred to the customer at the point in time a match is completed as defined in the agreement (at which the customer is able to use and benefit from the license).

b) Commercial sponsorships

The Board enters into contracts with customers for the sponsorship of matches, series, teams and services in exchange for promoting the brand of the sponsor. Consideration received under sponsorship agreements may be cash or value in kind goods and services (non-cash). The fair value of non-cash transactions received or expected to be received are included in the total transaction price of the agreement. Value in kind elements are typically specified in the sponsorship agreements and there is no significant judgement involved in estimating such consideration. Revenue is recognized in line with the contractual terms and period.

c) Match income

The Board recognizes revenue from the sale of tickets for cricket matches, less any commission or service charges payable under the contract. Revenue is attributed to the Board at a point in time when each match has been played and is therefore recognized upon completion of the relevant event.

d) Distributions

The Board recognizes distributions received from ICC on receipt basis and amortize it on a straight-line basis over the term of the payment.

e) Donations and specific funds

These are accounted for on receipt basis and donations/special funds in kind, are recognized at their fair value.

f) Return on investments

Return on bank balances and term deposit receipts is recognized on a time-proportion basis using an effective interest rate method.

g) Rental Income

Rental income arising from operating leases is accounted for on straight line basis over the lease terms.

4.15 Pakistan Super League

Tournament related Income and Expenses of the Pakistan Super League are recognized in the statement of income and expenditure in the year in which the tournament is completed. Until then, such Incomes and Expenses are carried in the statement of financial position. Central pool revenues are recorded after giving effect to associated costs and distributions to franchises. Indirect cost incurred by PCB for management of PSL operations is being allocated to PSL on the basis of percentage approved by the Board of Governors which is based upon the extent of individual involvement of PCB officials from various departments into the operations of PSL.

4.16 Contract Assets and Liabilities

In accordance with IFRS - 15:

- A contract asset is recorded when PCB has a right to consideration in exchange for services, transferred to customer; and
- A contract liability is recorded if PCB receives, consideration or has a right to receive consideration that is unconditional (which is earlier).

4.17 Foreign currency transactions

Transactions in foreign currency during the year are initially recorded in the functional currency at the rate prevailing at the date of transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at functional currency rate of exchange prevailing at the reporting date. All differences are taken to the statement of income and expenditure.

4.18 Contingencies and commitments

The assessment of the contingencies inherently involves the exercise of significant judgment as the outcome of the future events cannot be predicted with certainty. The management based on the availability of the latest information, estimates the value of contingent assets and liabilities which may differ on the occurrence / non-occurrence of the uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the management.

4.19 Provisions

Provisions are recognised in the statement of financial position when the Board has a legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events and it is probable that outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate of the amount can be made. However provisions are reviewed at each reporting date and adjusted to reflect current best estimate.

4.20 Transaction with related parties

Transactions with related parties are based on arm's length at normal commercial rates on the same terms and conditions as applicable to third party transactions. Parties are said to be related if they are able to influence operating and financial decisions of the Board.

4.21 Off setting of financial assets and liabilities

A financial asset and a financial liability are offset and the net amount is reported in the financial statements if the Board has a legally enforceable right to set-off the recognized amounts and intends either to settle on a net basis or to realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

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	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
5. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT			
Operating fixed assets	5.1	2,209,508,819	1,543,935,184
Right-of-use assets	5.2	35,693,735	35,863,723
		2,245,202,554	1,579,798,907

5.1 Operating fixed assets

	Freehold land	Building on freehold land	Building on leasehold land	Motor vehicles	Flood lights	Furniture, fixtures and office equipment	Electrical equipment	Computer and allied equipment	Ground maintenance equipment	Total
	Rupees									
As at July 01, 2021										
Cost	50,037	4,610,752	1,969,718,134	321,185,707	348,093,293	345,784,837	627,955,250	48,917,460	134,173,204	3,800,488,674
Accumulated depreciation	-	(4,610,752)	(787,386,289)	(166,061,744)	(346,659,927)	(224,062,546)	(577,713,012)	(35,555,821)	(114,503,399)	(2,256,553,490)
Net book value	50,037	-	1,182,331,845	155,123,963	1,433,366	121,722,291	50,242,238	13,361,639	19,669,805	1,543,935,184
Year ended June 30, 2022										
Opening net book value	50,037	-	1,182,331,845	155,123,963	1,433,366	121,722,291	50,242,238	13,361,639	19,669,805	1,543,935,184
Additions during the year	-	-	1,591,577	25,117,658	-	23,526,565	24,520,539	12,768,920	21,661,193	109,586,452
Tansferred to investment Property	(50,037)	(197,109,559)	-	-	-	-	(143,077,873)	-	-	(340,237,469)
Adjustments			(10,347,577)							(10,347,577)
Transfer from CWIP	-	197,109,559	713,988,928	-	-	-	231,499,965	-	-	1,142,598,452
Disposals										
Cost	-	-	-	(10,331,302)	-	-	-	(1,299,117)	-	(11,630,419)
Accumulated depreciation	-	-	-	7,376,535	-	-	-	1,185,515	-	8,562,050
	-	-	-	(2,954,767)	-	-	-	(113,602)	-	(3,068,369)
Depreciation charge for the year	-	-	(87,119,429)	(55,827,255)	(500,032)	(43,690,095)	(27,194,016)	(8,806,583)	(9,820,444)	(232,957,854)
Net book value	-	-	1,800,845,344	121,459,599	933,334	101,558,761	135,990,853	17,210,374	31,510,554	2,209,508,819
As at June 30, 2022										
Cost	-	-	2,675,351,062	335,972,063	348,093,293	369,311,402	740,897,881	60,387,263	155,834,397	4,685,847,361
Accumulated depreciation	-	-	(874,505,718)	(214,512,464)	(347,159,959)	(267,752,641)	(604,907,028)	(43,176,889)	(124,323,843)	(2,476,338,542)
Net book value	-	-	1,800,845,344	121,459,599	933,334	101,558,761	135,990,853	17,210,374	31,510,554	2,209,508,819
Depreciation rate %	-	5	5	20	20	20	20	33.33	20	

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	Freehold land	Building on freehold land	Building on leasehold land	Motor vehicles	Flood lights	Furniture, fixtures and office equipment	Electrical equipment	Computer and allied equipment	Ground maintenance equipment	Total
	Rupees									
As at July 01, 2020										
Cost	50,037	4,610,752	1,824,059,306	267,729,201	348,093,293	301,300,820	620,239,556	38,177,722	115,899,577	3,520,160,264
Accumulated depreciation	-	(4,610,752)	(706,363,905)	(119,123,970)	(346,109,884)	(184,655,051)	(549,596,841)	(30,916,952)	(110,922,331)	(2,052,299,686)
Net book value	50,037	-	1,117,695,401	148,605,231	1,983,409	116,645,769	70,642,715	7,260,770	4,977,246	1,467,860,578
Year ended June, 2021										
Opening net book value	50,037	-	1,117,695,401	148,605,231	1,983,409	116,645,769	70,642,715	7,260,770	4,977,246	1,467,860,578
Additions during the year	-	-	16,169,281	55,225,308	-	44,484,017	4,913,268	11,374,014	18,273,627	150,439,515
Transfer from CWIP	-	-	129,489,547	-	-	-	2,802,426	-	-	132,291,973
Disposals										
Cost	-	-	-	(1,768,802)	-	-	-	(634,276)	-	(2,403,078)
Accumulated depreciation	-	-	-	1,768,802	-	-	-	482,796	-	2,251,598
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(151,480)	-	(151,480)
Depreciation charge for the year			(81,022,384)	(48,706,576)	(550,043)	(39,407,495)	(28,116,171)	(5,121,665)	(3,581,068)	(206,505,402)
Net book value	50,037		1,182,331,845	155,123,963	1,433,366	121,722,291	50,242,238	13,361,639	19,669,805	1,543,935,184
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Depreciation rate %	-	5	5	20	20	20	20	33.33	20	

5.1.1 Operating fixed assets include assets having cost of Rs. 1,605,698,458 (2021: Rs. 1,504,354,936) that have been fully depreciated.

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5.1.2 PCB has capitalized certain costs in connection with construction and installation of civil works, flood lights and electric screens and equipment at Rawalpindi Cricket Stadium, Iqbal Cricket Stadium Faisalabad, National Cricket Academy Lahore and Ghari Khuda Buksh Cricket Stadium while lease agreements in respect of such stadiums / academy have not been finalized yet with concerned government departments. Stadium wise break-up of cost of such assets is as follows:

	June 30, 2022				June 30, 2021
	Buildings	Flood lights	Electric screens / equipment	Total	
	Rupees				
Stadiums / Academy					
Rawalpindi Cricket Stadium	449,581,469	34,941,463	62,615,556	**547,138,488**	556,526,690
Iqbal Cricket Stadium, Faisalabad	-	71,722,078	62,275,720	**133,997,798**	133,997,798
National Cricket Academy, Lahore	80,374,395	1,000,215	-	**81,374,610**	82,435,690
Ghari Khuda Buksh Cricket Stadium	105,417,111	-	-	**105,417,111**	105,417,111
	635,372,975	**107,663,756**	**124,891,276**	**867,928,007**	878,377,289

5.2 Right-of-use assets

Right of use assets comprise of land relating to cricket stadiums. The term of lease agreements executed between PCB and government departments in respect of PCB's cricket stadiums are as tabulated below. Right-of-use assets is being depreciated over the remaining lease terms.

Stadium	Lessor	Date of lease agreement	Period of lease	on fee for commercial use of land	Annual Lease Rentals Rupees
Gaddafi Stadium Lahore	Government of Punjab	5-May-95	40 years	20%	1,000
National Stadium Karachi	Government of Pakistan	7-Aug-19	99 years	-	5,057,800
Abbottabad Cricket Stadium	Government of Knyber Pakhtunkhwa	14-Sep-01	45 years	20%	7,500
Bugti Cricket Stadium	Government of Baluchistan	31-Jul-01	40 years	20%	1,000
Niaz Stadium Hyderabad	District Government Hyderabad	28-Jun-07	30 years	20%	50,000
Multan Cricket Stadium	Multan Cricket Organization Trust	8-Nov-12	10 years	40%	80,000
Mirpur Cricket Stadium	Mirpur Development Authority	14-Jul-08	30 years	20%	50,000

5.2.1 Particulars disclosed above in respect of National Stadium Karachi are related to allotted 104.5 acres of land, out of which 59.8 acres of land is not in possession of the Board.

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5.2.2 Movement of right-of-use assets

	Cost			Accumulated depreciation			Net book value
	Opening balance	Additions	Closing balance	Opening balance	Depreciation for the year	Closing balance	
	Rupees						
Right-of-use assets - June 30, 2022	**36,718,180**	**327,625**	**37,045,805**	**854,457**	**497,613**	**1,352,070**	**35,693,735**
Right-of-use assets - June 30, 2021	36,718,180	-	36,718,180	408,475	445,982	854,457	35,863,723

	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
6. CAPITAL WORK-IN-PROGRESS			
Capital work-in-progress	6.1	48,612,595	1,088,892,247
Advance against capital work-in-progress		3,240,000	8,014,491
		51,852,595	1,096,906,738

6.1 Capital work-in-progress

	June 30, 2022					
	Rawalpindi Cricket Stadium	National Cricket Academy	Islamabad Cricket Stadium	National Stadium Karachi	Cricket House	Total
	Rupees					
Opening balance	-	53,743,689	61,287,105	769,354,727	270,924,925	1,155,310,446
Additions	-	-	-	33,056,293	69,262,507	102,318,800
Transfer to operating fixed assets	-	-	-	(802,411,020)	(340,187,432)	(1,142,598,452)
	-	53,743,689	61,287,105	-	-	115,030,794
Accumulated impairment						
Opening balance	-	5,131,094	61,287,105	-	-	66,418,199
Charge during the year	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	5,131,094	61,287,105	-	-	66,418,199
Closing balance	-	48,612,595	-	-	-	48,612,595

	June 30, 2021					
	Rawalpindi Cricket Stadium	National Cricket Academy	Islamabad Cricket Stadium	National Stadium Karachi	Cricket House	Total
	Rupees					
Opening balance	135,583,033	53,743,689	61,287,105	686,819,903	213,350,025	1,150,783,755
Additions	987,890	-	-	82,534,824	57,574,900	141,097,614
Adjustment	(4,278,950)	-	-	-	-	(4,278,950)
Transfer to operating fixed assets	(132,291,973)	-	-	-	-	(132,291,973)
	-	53,743,689	61,287,105	769,354,727	270,924,925	1,155,310,446
Accumulated impairment						
Opening balance	18,204,647	5,131,094	61,287,105	-	-	84,622,846
Transfer	(18,204,647)	-	-	-	-	(18,204,647)
	-	5,131,094	61,287,105	-	-	66,418,199
Closing balance	-	48,612,595	-	769,354,727	270,924,925	1,088,892,247

6.2 PCB is in process of capitalizing cost of civil works in connection with the construction of National Cricket Academy Lahore, while lease agreement in respect of the academy has not been finalized yet with concerned government departments.

6.3 During 2010, M/S Iqbal.A.Nanji & Co Private Limited, independent professional valuer, assessed the realizable value of civil works and as a result an impairment loss continues to be recognized against the capital work in progress in these financial statements. Currently, works on certain projects is suspended and the Board intends to resume construction on these projects in near future.

6.4 An MOU was executed on 7th day of May 2012 between CDA and PCB with respect to Islamabad Cricket Stadium. In 2016, CMA No. 4295 was filed in SMC No. 20/2007 challenging the handing over of the land to PCB stating that the same was part of the Margalla Hill National Park Area. On June 07, 2018, an Order was passed by the Honorable Supreme Court of Pakistan to the effect that the MoU signed between CDA and PCB was declared void-ab-initio and the amount paid by PCB as security to CDA was forfeited for the restoration of the land to its original state. Accordingly, the possession of the land has been taken over by CDA and impairment provision has been recognized for the costs incurred on the land.

7. INVESTMENT PROPERTY

	Note	Cost			Accumulated depreciation				Net book value	Annual depreciation rate
		As at July 01, 2021	Transfer from operating fixed assets	As at June 30, 2022	As at July 01, 2021	Depreciation charged for the year	Transfer / Adjustment	As at June 30, 2022		
		Rupees								%
Freehold land		-	50,037	50,037	-	-	-	-	50,037	-
Building on freehold land	7.1	-	344,798,184	344,798,184	-	32,059,211	4,610,752	36,669,963	308,128,221	5 & 20
June 30, 2022		-	344,848,221	344,848,221	-	32,059,211	4,610,752	36,669,963	308,178,258	
June 30, 2021		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	

7.1 The Board as a lessor has entered into an operating lease on its investment property at Cricket House. The lease has a term of 3 years. The Board has no restrictions on the realisability of its investment properties and no contractual obligations to purchase, construct or develop investment properties or for repairs, maintenance and enhancements.

The Cricket House is located on 20-A, Shadman Colony, Jail Road, Lahore. It comprises of 1st floor (9,250 sq. ft), 2nd floor (10,597 sq. ft), 3rd floor (10,598 sq. ft) and 4th floor (10,598 sq. ft) having a total covering area of 41,043 sq. ft.

7.2 Amount recognized in statement of income and expenditure:	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
- Rental income	26	33,664,064	-
- Depreciation	36	32,059,211	-

	Within one year	After one year but not more than five years	More than five years
	Rupees		
- Undiscounted future cashflows	60,616,179	93,837,448	-

7.3 As of the reporting date, the amounts in the table represent the projected minimum rentals due under operational leases:

7.4 The fair value of investment property as at June 30, 2022 ranges between Rs. 1,579 million to Rs. 1,930 million. The fair value of the investment property has been determined on the basis of readily available current market information after making relevant inquiries by the Infrastructure and Real Estate Department of the Board.

8. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
Software licenses and website		241,429	1,261,849
Advance against computer software		12,352,062	2,483,264
		12,593,491	3,745,113

8.1 Software licenses and website

	Cost			Amortization			Net book value	Annual amortization rate
	Opening balance	Additions / adjustments	Closing balance	Opening balance	Amortization / Adjustments for the Year	Closing balance		
	Rupees							%
Software licenses and website - June 30, 2022	13,557,734	348,000	13,905,734	12,295,885	1,368,420	13,664,305	241,429	33.33
Software licenses and website - June 30, 2021	13,108,691	449,043	13,557,734	11,300,040	995,845	12,295,885	1,261,849	33.33

8.2 The Board has entered into a contract for implementation of Microsoft Dynamics 365. The balance represents cost incurred till date and the amortization will be charged once the implementation is completed.

9. LONG-TERM INVESTMENT

2022	2021		Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
Number of shares					
3,750	3,750	Ordinary shares of Rs. 10/- each	9.1	37,500	37,500

9.1 It represents the investment in an associate, Avant Hotels (Private) Limited. The Board holds 37.5% equity of the associate. Summarized financial information of the associate is as follows:

	Un-audited	
	June 30, 2022 Rupees	December 31, 2022 Rupees
Total Assets	37,899	37,899
Total Liabilities	14,156,352	13,266,661
Loss for the period	(889,691)	(1,682,482)
Cash and cash equivalents	37,899	37,899

Board's share of the associate's post acquisition losses amounting Rs. 5,331,920 (2021: Rs. 4,998,286), restricted up to the cost of the investment, is not recognized as management considered that it would have immaterial impact on the financial statements.

10. DUE FROM SPONSORS, FRANCHISEES, BOARDS AND ASSOCIATIONS

	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
Unsecured:			
Due from sponsors:			
- Considered good		3,139,299,516	2,390,004,910
- Considered doubtful		846,883,443	846,883,443
		3,986,182,959	3,236,888,353
Due from Franchisees		64,870,719	78,442,260
Due from Boards and Associations:			
- Considered good		274,163,776	6,742,089
- Considered doubtful		4,709,912	4,709,912
		278,873,688	11,452,001
		4,329,927,366	3,326,782,614
Less: Allowance for expected credit losses	10.1	851,593,355	851,593,355
		3,478,334,011	2,475,189,259

10.1 Allowance for expected credit losses

Balance as at July 01,	851,593,355	688,210,624
Provided for the year	-	163,382,731
Balance as at June 30,	851,593,355	851,593,355

11. LOANS AND ADVANCES

	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
Unsecured:			
Advances to employees:			
- Considered good		159,678,794	49,047,687
- Considered doubtful		10,469,103	4,839,471
		170,147,897	53,887,158
Advance to suppliers:			
- Considered good		184,735,804	244,923,223
- Considered doubtful		27,425,756	11,507,036
		212,161,560	256,430,259
Advances to players:			
- Considered good		108,224,327	8,152,693
- Considered doubtful		7,207,606	4,873,955
		115,431,933	13,026,648
		497,741,390	323,344,065
Less: Allowance for expected credit losses	11.1	45,102,465	21,220,462
		452,638,925	302,123,603

11.1 Allowance for expected credit losses

Balance as at July 01,	21,220,462	21,220,462
Provided for the year	40,494,025	-
Reversed during the year	(16,612,022)	-
Balance as at June 30,	45,102,465	21,220,462

12. SHORT-TERM PREPAYMENTS

Prepaid expenses	7,632,305	24,469,950
Prepaid insurance	2,109,243	1,371,611
	9,741,548	25,841,561

13. OTHER RECEIVABLES

Accrued profit on bank accounts and term deposit receipts		456,537,381	162,681,868
Accrued rentals:			
- Considered good	13.1	120,067,266	71,046,495
- Considered doubtful		7,243,057	7,243,057
		127,310,323	78,289,552
Others - Considered doubtful		13,907,895	13,907,895
		597,755,599	254,879,315
Less: Allowance for expected credit losses		21,150,952	21,150,952
		576,604,647	233,728,363

13.1 It includes lease rentals amounting to Rs. 3.789 million (2021: Rs. 2.778 million) due from Avant Hotel (Private) Limited, a related party.

		Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
14.	**TAXATION - NET**			
	Opening balance - net of provision for taxation		**465,269,325**	278,633,967
	Advance tax paid/deducted during the year		**504,290,137**	266,476,997
			969,559,462	545,110,964
	Less: Provision for taxation during the year	***38.1***	**(369,589,451)**	(79,841,639)
	Prior taxation	***38.2***	**(23,817,734)**	-
			(393,407,185)	(79,841,639)
			576,152,277	465,269,325
15.	**SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS**			
	Investments held at amortized cost:			
	- Term deposit receipts (Foreign currency)	***15.1***	**1,648,000,000**	633,200,000
	- Term deposit receipts (Local currency)	***15.2***	**13,990,947,381**	12,505,947,381
			15,638,947,381	13,139,147,381

15.1 It included term deposits amounting to US $ 8.00 million (2021: US $ 4.00 million) having interest rates ranging from 1.5% to 3.45% (2021: 0.25% to 0.80%) per annum and maturity ranging from 1 to 3 months.

15.2 These represent term deposits placed in local currency with different banks at interest rates ranging from 7.10% to 16.25% (2021: 6.50% to 13.50%) per annum and have maturity ranging from 3 to 12 months.

		Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
16.	**CASH AND BANK BALANCES**			
	Cash in hand		**22,776**	130,539
	Cash at bank - saving accounts	***16.1***	**1,438,267,295**	563,956,849
			1,438,290,071	564,087,388

16.1 These include foreign currency balance of US $ 1,802,269 (2021: US $ 613,584) and carry interest rates ranging from 6.25% to 12.75% (2021: 5% to 6.25%) per annum.

		Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
17.	**LONG-TERM LIABILITIES**			
	Employee benefits - unfunded gratuity	***17.1***	**-**	-
	Lease liabilities	***17.2***	**32,278,463**	32,037,691
	Retention money payable		**-**	27,615,149
			32,278,463	59,652,840

		Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
17.1	**Employee benefits - unfunded gratuity**			
	Movement in plan obligation:			
	- Liability at the beginning of the year		**-**	287,518,512
	- Charge for the year	***17.1.1***	**-**	871,963
			-	288,390,475
	Less: Paid during the year		**-**	(288,390,475)
	Liability at the end of the year		**-**	-
17.1.1	**Charge for the year**			
	Current service cost		**-**	871,963
			-	871,963
17.2	**Lease liabilities**			
	Minimum lease payments			
	As at the beginning of the year		**49,302,742**	44,170,142
	Recognized during the year		**685,958**	-
	Interest expense for the year		**5,259,318**	5,132,600
	As at the end of the year		**55,248,018**	49,302,742
	Less: Current portion of lease liabilities	***20***	**22,969,555**	17,265,051
	Non-current portion of lease liabilities		**32,278,463**	32,037,691

17.3 Expected maturity analysis of undiscounted future contractual cash flows is as below:

	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
- Less than a year	**5,247,300**	5,197,300
- Between 1-5 years	**20,989,200**	20,789,200
- Over 5 years	**478,513,339**	465,750,849
	504,749,839	491,737,349
Less: Future finance cost	**(449,501,821)**	(442,434,607)
Present value of finance lease liabilities	**55,248,018**	49,302,742

17.4 The incremental borrowing rate used as discounting factor for lease liabilities was 14% (2021: 14%).

18. DEFERRED REVENUE	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
Rent received against lease of shops	*18.1*	**30,623,515**	33,979,179
Advance in respect of sponsorship and TV rights	*18.2*	**1,917,561,944**	361,448,016
		1,948,185,459	395,427,195
Less: Current portion			
- Rent received against lease of shops	*20*	**3,355,664**	3,355,664
- Contract liability in respect of sponsorship and TV rights	*20*	**1,317,116,322**	296,421,855
		1,320,471,986	299,777,519
		627,713,473	95,649,676

18.1 Certain shops at Gaddafi Stadium Lahore have been sub leased for a period of 30-38 years, for which the lease money was received in advance. The carrying value represents the sum received in advance for the remaining period of the leased term.

18.2 This relates to contract liability against Bilateral Series and Pakistan Super League Broadcasting rights, and advances received from Habib Bank Limited, Pepsi Cola Interrational and Trans Group FZE.

19. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
Creditors		**1,359,818,897**	675,141,048
Payable to contractors and consultants		**92,472,447**	65,598,967
Commercialization fee payable		**28,865,249**	23,597,939
Payable to boards and associations		**131,100,229**	460,352,584
Payable to franchisees		**475,656,955**	606,296,391
Payable to players		**201,353,301**	444,771,270
Accrued liabilities	*19.1*	**3,045,845,270**	763,722,633
Retention money of contractors		**80,684,990**	68,875,595
Withholding tax payable		**51,334,207**	28,719,346
Payable to Surrey County	*19.2*	**4,838,019**	4,838,019
Recoveries under PCB vehicle policy	*19.3*	**13,923,269**	11,191,923
Others		**46,206,703**	51,819,765
		5,532,099,536	3,204,925,480

19.1 It includes Rs. 3,005.57 million (2021: Rs. 665.863 million) due for distribution to Franchises in the next Financial year on account of Central Pool Income relating to Pakistan Super League.

19.2 It represents unutilized amount received from Surrey County, England regarding development of cricket in northern areas of Pakistan.

19.3 It represents recoveries against cars allocated to employees of PCB in Scale FH-1 & FH-2 under "Pakistan Cricket Board Vehicle Policy, 2012". Employees are entitled to purchase the allocated cars by paying the purchase price in monthly installments over the period of five years. However, the employees have the option to pay off the entire purchase amount before the expiry of five years period.

20. CURRENT PORTION OF LONG-TERM LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED REVENUE	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
Lease liabilities	*17.2*	**22,969,555**	17,265,051
Deferred revenue:			
- Rent received against lease of shops	*18*	**3,355,664**	3,355,664
- Contract liability in respect of sponsorship and TV right	*18*	**1,317,116,322**	296,421,855
		1,343,441,541	317,042,570

21. CONTINGENCIES AND COMMITMENTS

21.1 Contingent liabilities

21.1.1 Some ex-employees of PCB have filed law suits against their termination, which are pending for adjudication. The Board's legal advisor is of the view that PCB has good arguable cases but the outcome/decision of any subjudice matter lies with the courts in which the cases are pending. Accordingly, no provision for the same has been made in these financial statements.

21.1.2 Two separate suits for recovery have been instituted by and against PCB and an ex-chairman (and vice versa) involving claim of profits and costs amounting to Rs. 7.274 million and Rs. 14.181 million respectively. The Board's legal advisor is of the view that PCB has a reasonably strong position in both of the suits instituted by and against PCB, but the assessment of potential loss at this stage cannot be made, as both the suits are pending litigation.

21.1.3 Various suits have been filed by and against the PCB versus ex-chairman of the PCB for recovery of different amounts including profits and costs, against invalid or lawful actions and payments against alleged vehicle allowance, accommodation allowance and daily allowance, or payable to other party against the services rendered by him in favor of the PCB. These suits are pending adjudication at the honorable Civil Court Lahore. These financial statements does not include any adjustment with respect to these cases, as the probability and amount of inflow/outflow is not determinable at this stage.

21.1.4 As referred to in note 5.1.2 and 6.2, lease agreements in respect of Rawalpindi Cricket Stadium, Iqbal Cricket Stadium Faisalabad, Ghari Khuda Buksh Stadium and National Cricket Academy Lahore have not been finalized with government departments and currently no related liability can be determined reliably. The related liability, if any, would be recognized in the subsequent financial statements. However, the management does not anticipate any significant adjustments.

21.1.5 Through orders dated May 29, 2013 and June 13, 2013, Deputy Commissioner Inland Reveue (DCIR) concluded proceedings under section 161/205 of the Income Tax Ordinance, 2001 by raising tax demand amounting to Rs. 310.500 million and Rs. 291.100 million for the tax year 2011 and 2012 respectively. Feeling aggrieved the Board filed appeals before Commissioner Inland Revenue Appeals [CIR(A)]. Pursuant to the CIR(A) orders dated June 25, 2013 and October 30, 2013 for tax year 2011 and 2012 respectively, the DCIR filed appeals before the Appellate Tribunal Inland Revenue, which were concluded vide Appellate Tribunal order dated February 28, 2014. The DCIR further filed reference against the said order before the Honorable Lahore High Court (LHC). The matter is still pending for adjudication. The Management of PCB is confident that this will not result in outflow of resources, consequently no provision is recognized in these financial statements.

21.1.6 The FBR issued two notices dated June 6, 2017 and June 7, 2017 for tax year 2016 and 2015 respectively regarding collection of tax under section 236A of the Income Tax Ordinance, 2001. In response to these notices, the Board filed writ petitions before the Lahore High Court (LHC) where the honorable court vide order dated October 21, 2020 directed the DCIR to decide the legal objections raised by the Board. Subsequently, vide orders dated December 09, 2020, the DCIR raised tax demand of Rs. 157.00 million and Rs. 299.00 million for tax year 2015 and 2016 respectively. Feeling aggrieved the Board filed appeal before the Commissioner Inland Revenue Appeals CIR(A), who wide his order dated April 14, 2022 deleted the tax demand while charged minimum penalty of Rs. 10,000 raised u/s 236A. Being aggrieved, both the Board and the CIR(Legal), LTU, filed cross appeals before Honorable ATIR against the CIR(A) order.The honorable ATIR vide its order dated 26.10.2022 has confirmed the order of CIR(A). The management is confident of favorable outcome and no outflow of resources is expected, consequently no provision recognized in these financial statements.

21.1.7 Additional Commissioner Inland Revenue Audit (ADCIR) initiated proceedings through notice issued in March 2015 under section 122 of the Income Tax Ordinance, 2001 for the tax year 2011. The amendment proceedings were concluded vide order dated June 28, 2016 against which the PCB filed appeal before the CIR(A). The CIR(A) in his order dated October 23, 2018 deleted the additions made by DCIR on account of exchange loss and minimum tax u/s 113, however confirmed the addition on account of provision of doubtful debts of Rs.59.600 million. Being aggrieved, both the PCB and DCIR filed appeal before Appellate Tribunal Inland Revenue against the CIR(A) order.

The honorable ATIR has decided both the appeals in favor of the PCB dated December 12, 2021. The (CIR (Legal), LTO Lahore) FBR, feeling aggrieved, has filed a reference in the Honorable High Court against the ATIR order and the case is pending for hearing. The amount intended by the CIR (Legal) in the reference is Rs. 0.177 million. The management is confident of the favorable outcome, consequently no provision is recognized in these financial statements.

21.1.8 Through DCIR notices dated 22 May 2018 for tax years 2015 and 2016 proceedings were initiated for levy of super tax under section 4B of the Ordinance. The proceedings were concluded by orders dated June 28, 2018. Pursuant to which PCB filed an appeal before CIR(A) who annulled the case vide order dated June 27, 2019. Subsequently, the DCIR amended the assessment orders for 2015 and 2016 and issued orders for tax years 2017 & 2018 with an aggregate tax demand of Rs. 264.600 million. Feeling aggrieved, PCB filed appeals before CIR(A) who vide its order dated 28 May 2020 nullified the tax demand for TY 2015, 2017 and 2018 and reduced the tax demand to Rs. 23.818 million for TY 2017.

Being aggrieved with the order of the CIR(A), PCB filed an appeal before Appellate Tribunal Inland Revenue (ATIR) who vide its order dated November 08, 2021 confirmed the orders of CIR(A). The CIR (Legal, LTO has filed reference in the Honorable Lahore High Court against the orders of ATIR in the matter of charging super tax on receipt amount rather than on net income and the case is pending for adjudication. Management is confident that there will be no outflow of resources, consequently, no provision is recognized in these financial statements.

21.1.9 Additional Commissioner Punjab Revenue Authority through show cause notice dated December 29, 2018 initiated proceedings under section 24 of Punjab Sales Tax Act, 2012 for tax year 2016 and 2017 having sale tax amount of Rs. 528.820 million. Along with filing a detailed response with the Punjab Revenue Authority (PRA), PCB filed writ petition before the Honorable Lahore High Court against the impugned show cause notice. Pursuant to the directions of the Lahore High Court, PCB filed a de-registration application before the PRA. The PRA declined this application vide its order, dated September 15, 2020. PCB has now filed a writ petition against the Punjab Revenue Authority claiming that it is not liable to pay sales tax under the Punjab Sales Tax on Services Act 2012. The Honorable Judge grant interim relief to the PCB. The Case was last fixed for hearing before Honorable Lahore High Court on December 06, 2022 however, next date of hearing has yet been fixed in this petition. These financial statements do not reflect any adjustment related thereto, as the matter is subjudice before the Honorable Court.

21.1.10 Under the Finance Act, 2022, super tax at the prescribed tax rates of up to 4% for tax year 2022 and subsequent tax years has been levied on the income of high earning persons through section 4C of the Income Tax Ordinance, 2001 (the Ordinance). As per the directions of the Honorable Supreme Court of Pakistan in order dated 06.02.2023 the FBR has issued notice dated February 23, 2023 demanding the Board to pay 50% of the Super tax liability for tax year 2022. The Board feeling aggrieved filed an intra court appeal in the Honorable Lahore High Court. The hearing proceedings have not been finalized yet. Management is confident of favorable outcome, consequently no provision is recognized in these financial statements.

21.1.11 An MOU was executed on May 07, 2012 between CDA and PCB with respect to Islamabad Cricket Stadium. In 2016, CMA No. 4295 was filed in SMC No. 20/2007 challenging the handing over of the land to PCB stating that the same was part of the Margalla Hill National Park Area. On June 07, 2018 an Order was passed by the Honorable Supreme Court of Pakistan to the effect that the MoU signed between CDA and PCB was declared void ab initio and the amount paid by PCB as security to CDA was forfeited for the restoration of the land to its original state. Accordingly, the possession of the land has been taken over by CDA and impairment provision has been recognized for the costs incurred on the land in these financial statements.

21.1.12 Blitz Advertising (Private) Limited filed a civil suit before the honorable Civil Court Lahore, seeking inter alia, an injunction against an encashment of an Insurance Bond, amounting Rs. 1,056.979 million submitted to PCB against security for payments by the Company for the media rights agreements relating to Pakistan Super League 2020. An interim injunction was granted by the Honorable Court against PCB. The PCB later filed an appeal before the District Court Lahore against the ad-interim injunction, which was dismissed on July 13, 2020.

The PCB filed a writ petition bearing no. 34162 of 2020 before the honorable Lahore High Court, Lahore, which later set aside the District Court's order and directed the Civil Court Lahore to decide the stay application within a period of 30 days. The Civil Court Lahore dismissed the application of Blitz.

However, the claimant file a writ petition no. 56592 of 2020 before the honorable Lahore High Court, Lahore and it was ordered by the honorable high court that the parties "maintain a status quo". The case was later withdrawn by Blitz on May 23, 2022. The arbitration proceedings under Section 34 of the Arbitration Act, 1940 are in process before the London court of International Arbitration (LCIA).

21.1.13 Blitz Advertising (Private) Limited initiated two separate arbitrations before the LCIA pursuant to PSL Television Broadcast Media Rights Agreement (Pakistan Region) for 2019-21, bearing LCIA No. 204806 and the PSL Live Streaming Media Rights Agreement (Pakistan Region) for 2019-21, bearing LCIA No. 204859, seeking inter alia a declaration that payments demanded by PCB pursuant to the aforementioned agreements in relation to the PSL 2020 were illegal and an injunction against the encashment of the aforementioned insurance bond by PCB amounting Rs. 1,056.979 million. Both of these arbitration proceedings were consolidated into a single arbitration. PCB brought counter claims, inter alia, for the principal outstanding amount i.e. Rs. 1,452.326 million under the PSL Television Broadcast Media Rights Agreement and Rs. 222.552 million under the PSL Live Streaming Medial Rights Agreement in addition to late payment interest due perusal to the aforementioned agreements amounting Rs. 23.955 million and Rs. 5.631 million and also the damages suffered by the Board as a result of the actions of Blitz. The sole arbitrator issued a final award dated December 16, 2021, wherein inter alia, all of the claims of Blitz were rejected and most of the counter-claims by the PCB were accepted and furthermore amounts of Rs. 630.849 million, US$837,890, UK£42,462, Rs.3.000 million Rs. 0.069 million, Rs. 0.701 million and Rs. 0.049 million were awarded to PCB. Subsequently, the PCB moved an application under Section 14 and 17 of the Arbitration Act, 1940 before the honorable Civil Court, Lahore to have the aforementioned LCIA final award, dated December 16, 2021, made the rule of the court.

21.1.14 The PCB initiated two separate arbitrations against Techfront International FZE, before the LCIA pursuant to PSL Television Broadcast Media Rights Agreement (for all regions other than the Pakistan Region) for 2019-21, bearing LCIA No. 204854 and the PSL Live Streaming Media Rights Agreement (for all regions other than the Pakistan Region) for 2019-21, bearing LCIA No. 204855, seeking inter alia a declaration that payments amounting US$ 1,125,000/- in addition to late payment interest (under the TV agreement) and US$ 250,000/- in addition to the late payment interest (under the Live Streaming Agreement. Both of these arbitration proceedings were consolidated into a single arbitration.

The sole arbitrator (hearing the aforementioned arbitration between Blitz and PCB), was appointed by LCIA who issued a final award dated November 25, 2021, wherein inter alia, all of the claims of the PCB were accepted and amounts of US$ 1,033,432.08, US$ 229,200.48, UK£ 46,189.85, Rs. 3.000 million Rs. 0.035 million Rs. 0.701 million and Rs. 0.049 million were awarded to PCB. The arbitrator earlier gave an interim award, dated June 04, 2021, pursuant to an application moved by the PCB under Articles 24.5 and 24.6 of the LCIA Rules, 2014 due to non-payment by Techfront of its share of the LCIA costs. Pursuant to this award, the arbitrator directed that Techfront pay to the PCB an amount of UK£ 30,344.1 and also rejected the counter claims of the Techfront from the scope of arbitration. Subsequently, the PCB moved two separate applications under Section 14 and 17 of the Arbitration Act, 1940 before the honorable Civil Court, Lahore to have the aforementioned LCIA interim and final award, dated June 04, 2021 and November 25, 2021 respectively, made the rule of the court.

21.1.15 Blitz Advertising (Private) Limited initiated two separate arbitrations before the LCIA pursuant to PSL Television Broadcast Media Rights Agreement (Pakistan Region) for 2019-21, bearing LCIA No. 204931 and the PSL Live Streaming Media Rights Agreement (Pakistan Region) for 2019-21, bearing LCIA No. 204932, which were consolidated into a single arbitration.

Due to non payment of the LCIA costs, the arbitrator, through is email dated October 06, 2021, decided to issue a Final Award wherein ordering the withdrawal of Blitz claims. PCB made a submission claiming recovery of costs of the arbitration, which the arbitrator accepted through an award, dated January 06, 2022. Subsequently, the PCB moved an application under Section 14 and 17 of the Arbitration Act, 1940 before the honorable Civil Court, Lahore to have the aforementioned LCIA final award, dated January 01, 2022, made the rule of the court.

21.1.16 The PCB has filed a writ petition no. 4101/2021 before the honorable Lahore High Court, Rawalpindi Bench challenging the demand of the property tax by the Excise Department vide PT-10 challans in respect of Rawalpindi Stadium amounting Rs. 1.679 million. The Honorable Court vide order dated December 21, 2021 issued notices to the Respondents and suspended the operations of the impugned notices. On January 20, 2022, the honorable Court was pleased to dispose off the writ petition with the direction to the respondent to treat the writ petition as Representation and decide the matter in accordance with the law. The honorable Court further held that no coercive measures with regard to property tax shall be taken. The hearing was held before the Director Excise and Taxation, Rawalpindi dated March 17, 2022 who issued an order dated March 30, 2022 and accepted the appeal and PCB was exempted from the payment of property tax in respect of the Rawalpindi Cricket Stadium, Rawalpindi.

21.1.17 M/s Rare Builders (Private) Limited filed an appeal against the PCB before the Independent Adjudicator under Clause 37 of the PCB Constitution. The Appellant claimed that the amount of Rs. Rs. 26.446 million on account of work done under the Agreement dated July 29, 2008 for the construction of the Cricket Academy at Multan along with markup and further prayed that the letter dated February 18, 2016 signed by the Chairman to be declared illegal. PCB responded by filing a reply to the Appeal on July 21, 2022, and the learned Independent Adjudicator, vide order dated September 09, 2022 dismissed the Appeal as being withdrawn.

21.1.18 There are a number of cases by or against PCB and various parties including but not limited to various cricket clubs, Pakistan Mobile Communications Limited, Abbott Laboratories Pakistan Limited, and other parties on matters which are pending adjudication at various honorable courts. These financial statements does not include any adjustment because either the cases do not have an underlying financial impact, or the financial impact at this stage is not clear.

21.1.19 DCIR through show cause notice dated 21 May 2016 issued under section 14 of Federal Excise Act 2005, has raised the issue that Pakistan Cricket Board was required to pay Federal Excise Duty (FED) amounting to Rs. 97.7 million on Board's certain income streams. The Board preferred filing a writ petition (W.P no. 28354/2016) before the LHC. The LHC has granted the interim relief and the matter is still pending for adjudication. Management is confident of favorable outcome and no outflow of resources is expected, consequently no provision recognized in these financial statements.

21.1.20 Through computer balloting held on 14 Sept 2015, the case of the Board for the tax year 2014 was selected for income tax audit to be conducted under section 177 of the Ordinance. The Board filed writ petition before the LHC contesting the selection of audit. Pursuant to the judgement dated 1st Jan 2017 of the LHC in WP No. 32597/2015, the DCIR again initiated audit proceedings. Due compliance was made through filing reply letters along with the relevant details/documents. Through order dated 31 Oct 2017 (serviced on 16 May 2018), the DCIR amended assessment by making an addition of Rs 691.1 million in taxable income in respect of various heads. Board filed appeal with CIR(A) who rejected the submission of Board and maintained the order of DCIR. Feeling aggrieved of the CIR(A) order dated 17 June 2021, the Board has filed an appeal before the Tribunal, which subsequently was decided in favor of the Board through order dated 01 February 2022.

21.1.21 Through notice dated 4 May 2012 issued by Commissioner Inland Revenue (CIR) the tax year 2010 was selected for audit under section 177 of Income Tax Ordinance 2001. The Board filed writ petition before LHC contesting the audit. Pursuant to the LHC judgement dated 17 Nov 2017, DCIR initiated audit proceedings which were concluded vide order dated 30 March 2019 with additions of Rs. 567.6 million in taxable income. The Board being aggrieved on certain issues filed appeal against the impugned order before CIR(A) which is pending adjudication. Management is confident that there will be no outflow of resources, consequently no provision is recognized in these financial statements.

21.1.22 Additional Commissioner Punjab Revenue Authority through show cause notice dated 29 Dec 2018 initiated proceedings under section 24 of Punjab Sales Tax Act 2012 for tax year 2016 & 2017 having **contested** sales tax amount of Rs. 528.8 million. Along with filing a detailed response with the Punjab Revenue Authority (PRA); the Board filed writ petition before the Honorable Lahore High Court against the impugned show cause notice. Pursuant to the directions of the Lahore High Court, PCB filed a de-registration application before the PRA. The PRA declined this application vide its order, dated 15 Sep 2020. PCB has now filed a writ petition against the Punjab Revenue Authority claiming that it is not liable to pay sales tax under the Punjab Sales Tax on Services Act 2012. The Honorable Judge was pleased to grant interim relief to the PCB however the matter is yet to be concluded. The Honorable Judge granted interim relief to the PCB and case proceedings are underway. The Board is hopefull for a favourable outcome of the case. thus not required to record any related provision in the financial statements.

21.1.23 Additional Commissioner LTU, Lahore raised a demand of PKR 46.97 million vide order dated 31 May 2016 relating to tax year 2010 under section 122(5A). Subsequent to PCB appeal before Commissioner Appeal, the CIR (A) vide order # 31 dated 27 Jan 2020 partial relief was given to PCB. Both PCB and DCIR filed cross appeals before Appellate Tribunal Inland Revenue which were subsequently decided in favor of the PCB.

21.1.24 Through Issuance of Orders passed by the DCIR LTU, Lahore dated 23 Dec 2016 for the tax year 2016 & 2017 the impugned demand of Rs. 3 million was created. PCB filed appeals before the CIR (A) against the impugned departmental order and the CIR (A) vide order 10 dated 22 July 2020 confirmed the demand. The board feeling aggrieved filed appeal before Appellate Tribunal Inland Revenue. The hearing proceedings have not been finalized yet. Management is confident of favorable outcome, consequently no provision is recognized in these financial statements.

21.2 Contingent asset

21.2.1 Asian Cricket Council (ACC) sold commercial rights of Asia Cup 2010, 2012 & 2014 to a Singapore entity named Nimbus Sport International (Pte.) Ltd under agreement dated June 7, 2010 (the said Agreement). Subsequently Nimbus Sport International assigned its rights and obligations in the said Agreement to Nimbus Communications Ltd (NCL). Pursuant to the said assignment and the Agreement, NCL was required to pay ACC a sum of USD 21.69 Million as consideration for the commercial rights for the 2014 edition of Asia Cup tournament. By letter dated November 18, 2013 NCL unilaterally terminated the agreement. By that time NCL had given a SBLC equivalent to USD 6.507 million as financial guarantee for their payment obligations. The value of SBLC amounted to USD 6.50 Million being 30% of the Rights Fee. Subsequently, ACC proceeded to sell the subject rights to another broadcaster at a reduced value due to paucity of time since NCL had left at the eleventh hour, jeopardizing the sale of commercial rights for the subject event.

Later on, ACC lodged its claim with Indian Overseas Bank to recover the amount of SBLC but the issuing bank rejected this claim on technical grounds. Thereafter ACC filed a suit in Bombay High Court, India against Indian Overseas Bank to recover USD 6,507,000 due under the SBLC and the case is yet to come for hearing.

In view of above, the amount of USD 6,507,000 pending due to litigation as detailed above, has not been taken into account by ACC while calculating distribution for Asia Cup 2014 among the member boards that includes PCB as well. It is agreed between the ACC Member Boards that once this money is recovered, that too shall be distributed in a similar manner as that of distribution of Asia Cup revenues. Resultantly, PCB has also not booked its one sixth share of this amount as a receivable; pending outcome of the underlying litigation.

21.3 Commitments

There is no commitments as at June 30, 2022 excpet detailed in note 8.2. (2021: Rs. 488 million).

		2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
22.	**REVENUE FROM TOURS INSIDE PAKISTAN AND NEUTRAL VENUES**		
	TV rights	**629,622,906**	330,844,121
	Gate money	**104,288,638**	-
	Sponsorship fee and instadia rights	**277,526,359**	154,292,320
	Radio broadcasting rights	**6,244,196**	2,542,083
	Telephony and audio streaming rights	**33,875,418**	6,157,321
		1,051,557,517	493,835,845
23.	**REVENUE FROM TOURNAMENTS - DOMESTIC**		
	Sponsorship	**48,500,000**	26,829,628
	TV rights	**20,030,514**	10,850,775
	Miscellaneous	**1,506,750**	865,750
		70,037,264	38,546,153
24.	**REVENUE FROM TOURNAMENTS - INTERNATIONAL**		
	Preparation fee *24.1*	**52,788,750**	-
	Share of revenue *24.2*	**2,701,150,002**	2,459,310,000
	Sponsorship	**57,545,907**	-
		2,811,484,659	2,459,310,000

24.1 This includes preparation fee relating to ICC Men T-20 World Cup 2021, ICC U-19 World Cup 2022 and ICC Women World Cup 2022 amounting to USD 250,000, USD 25,000 and USD 50,000 respectively (2021: Nil).

24.2 This includes share of revenue relating to ICC Member's Distribution amounting to USD 15,500,000 (2021: USD 15,000,000).

		Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
25.	**PAKISTAN SUPER LEAGUE**			
	Franchise fee		**2,670,030,000**	2,485,242,000
	Other income		**100,380,287**	118,921,025
	Board's share of central pool revenue	*25.1*	**570,837,640**	1,205,069,642
			3,341,247,927	3,809,232,667
	Less: Share of franchisees - COVID - 19 Relief		**-**	(1,637,977,346)
			3,341,247,927	2,171,255,321

25.1 Board's share of central pool revenue

TV rights:		
- Media and radio rights	**3,343,853,091**	2,514,695,761
- TV production cost	**(846,239,231)**	(688,194,089)
	2,497,613,860	1,826,501,672
Sponsorship	**2,589,862,793**	1,331,601,525
Gate money	**317,811,045**	52,432,044
Total central pool revenue	**5,405,287,698**	3,210,535,241
Less: Distributed to franchisees	**(4,834,450,058)**	(2,005,465,599)
	570,837,640	1,205,069,642

		Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
26.	**RENTAL INCOME**			
	Gaddafi Stadium Lahore - shops		**32,616,996**	26,058,716
	National Stadium Karachi - lands	*26.1*	**1,010,590**	1,010,590
			33,627,586	27,069,306
	Cricket House Lahore	*7.2*	**33,664,064**	-
			67,291,650	27,069,306

26.1 It represents lease rental income from Avant Hotel (Private) Limited, a related party.

27.	**RETURN ON INVESTMENTS AND BANK DEPOSITS**		
	Interest on term deposit receipts:		
	- Foreign currency	**782,619**	3,688,380
	- Local currency	**1,083,928,331**	861,987,062
		1,084,710,950	865,675,442
	Interest on bank deposits:		
	- Foreign currency	**1,429,454**	572,590
	- Local currency	**87,474,468**	61,869,645
		88,903,922	62,442,235
		1,173,614,872	928,117,677
28.	**OTHER INCOME**		
	Exchange gain - net	**323,718,887**	-
	Players' fine	**22,519**	4,285,000
	Gain on disposal of operating fixed assets	**6,507,277**	396,990
	Coaching course fee	**6,522,500**	2,162,500
	Scrap sales	**-**	410,452
	Miscellaneous	**8,163,463**	45,624,262
		344,934,646	52,879,204
29.	**DIRECT EXPENSES RELATED TO TOURS OUTSIDE PAKISTAN**		
	Players and officials match fee, allowances and incentives	**258,014,214**	283,095,344
	Players related other expenses	**36,061,561**	63,612,952
	Travelling expenses	**167,442,815**	164,598,856
	Accommodation expenses	**21,647,244**	35,570,549
	Others	**13,365,555**	18,514,653
		496,531,389	565,392,354

30. DIRECT EXPENSES RELATED TO TOURS INSIDE PAKISTAN	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
Players match fee, allowances and incentives		**165,197,438**	123,894,965
Players related other expenses		**16,556,309**	9,866,565
Travelling expenses		**41,887,500**	18,093,678
Accommodation expenses		**188,276,879**	121,866,568
Team and match officials expenses		**36,333,790**	25,263,765
Event management expenses:			
Advertisement expenses		**48,442,022**	14,371,941
TV production cost		**512,627,376**	334,129,551
Match day expenses		**28,356,543**	10,752,995
Security expenses		**138,782,811**	44,721,680
Catering expense		**121,676,043**	28,424,821
Equipment hire rental charges		**15,535,226**	15,236,287
Players medical expenses		**13,840,015**	6,941,075
Repair and maintenance		**4,843,327**	1,957,167
Cleaning and janitorial		**3,627,250**	1,407,611
Others		**8,087,424**	3,667,293
		895,818,037	461,610,421
	30.1	**1,344,069,953**	760,595,962

30.1 These represent expenses related to international series hosted by PCB in Pakistan or at neutral venues. There were 28 match days and 73 tour days in 2022 while 19 match days and 56 tour days in 2021.

31. DIRECT EXPENSES RELATED TO TOURNAMENTS - DOMESTIC	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
Players and officials match fee, allowances and incentives		**284,496,860**	243,070,700
Prize money		**35,550,000**	34,318,002
Players related other expenses		**108,410,927**	75,067,248
Travelling		**124,164,253**	59,800,893
Accommodation		**440,908,223**	320,481,941
Match and team officials expenses		**106,101,795**	67,640,927
Fuel and power		**9,771,389**	11,056,599
Match day expenses		**5,108,930**	2,094,966
Security expenses		**25,368,494**	6,204,945
Catering expenses		**69,123,140**	30,226,827
Committees expenses		**2,199,629**	1,040,861
Ground rent		**11,893,960**	4,119,020
Production cost		**312,978,882**	233,877,367
Marketing and advertisement		**12,076,625**	35,978,371
Others		**5,187,037**	7,594,524
	31.1	**1,553,340,144**	1,132,573,191

31.1 These represent domestic tournaments held by PCB on its own or with collaboration of sponsors in Pakistan.

32. DIRECT EXPENSES RELATED TO TOURNAMENTS - INTERNATIONAL	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
Players match fee, allowances and incentives		**67,598,615**	-
Players related other expenses		**31,776,678**	3,267,718
Officials match fee, allowances and incentives		**17,314,223**	25,924
Travelling		**18,873,586**	239,250
Accommodation		**63,023,220**	1,430,877
Match day expenses		**12,846,010**	420,753
Catering expenses		**12,162,500**	240,110
Others		**13,898,078**	112,777
	32.1	**237,492,910**	5,737,409

32.1 These represent expenses incurred in respect of ICC-Men's T-20 World Cup, ICC-Women's World Cup, ICC-Women's Championship Round-1, U-19 Asia Cup 2021, ICC-U-19 World Cup 2022 (2021: ICC Women's Championship Round 2 (Pak vs Sri-Lanka) and U-19 ICC Cricket World Cup 2020).

33. DIRECT EXPENSES RELATED TO PAKISTAN SUPER LEAGUE	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
Direct costs:			
Venue hiring cost		-	303,619,400
Event management expenses		**70,689,529**	254,001,209
Match day expenses		**176,859,958**	64,842,392
Marketing and advertisement		**43,350,432**	138,293,504
Security expenses		**189,874,788**	80,939,045
TV production cost		-	457,354,341
Prize money		**111,249,995**	213,273,024
Staff remuneration		**13,169,501**	26,887,461
Travel and accommodation		**161,709,526**	270,957,535
Foreign players match fee and insurance		-	83,707,479
Legal and professional		**63,201,600**	21,967,761
Match officials' expenses		**98,206,184**	79,515,194
Daily allowance		**3,063,000**	58,795,560
Anti corruption and anti doping		**9,556,502**	14,551,601
Liaison and protocol officers' expenses		**20,222,802**	10,293,613
Provision for expected credit losses		-	129,432,926
Exchange loss		**77,592,493**	-
Medical expenses		**36,206,185**	34,457,492
Repair and maintenance		**3,244,101**	4,460,861
Others		**7,749,146**	12,122,787
		1,085,945,742	2,259,473,185
Indirect costs:			
Allocation of indirect costs	*33.1 & 4.15*	**181,318,422**	149,410,165
	33.2	**1,267,264,164**	2,408,883,350

33.1 This includes depreciation and amortization expense amounting to Rs. 28.663 million (2021: Rs. 22.333 million).

33.2 These expenses represent Pakistan Super League (PSL) tournament hosted by PCB. All matches of PSL-7 were played in Pakistan. (2021: This represents expenses related to PSL 6 and 4 matches of PSL 5 hosted by PCB in Pakistan or at neutral venues. For PSL 5, all 4 remaining matches were played in Pakistan and for PSL 6, 14 matches were played in Pakistan while 20 matches were played in UAE).

34. CRICKET PROMOTIONAL EXPENSES	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
International			
Central contract fee		**226,508,677**	183,049,918
Players related other costs		**73,184,821**	44,811,959
Coach and trainer fee		**160,156,456**	189,172,668
Committees expenses		**23,661,949**	28,657,474
PCB Awards		**1,718,052**	150,000
Players' training camp		**228,183**	-
		485,458,138	445,842,019
Domestic			
Central contract fee		**365,149,850**	158,010,625
Coaching expense		**4,220,004**	2,756,693
Players development program		**107,023,332**	103,025,218
Committees expenses		**5,402,357**	1,729,669
Grants	*34.1*	**49,310,952**	32,710,118
		531,106,495	298,232,323
		1,016,564,633	744,074,342

34.1 Grants to:

Pakistan Blind Cricket Team	**17,974,700**	17,098,295
Pakistan Deaf Cricket Team	**20,247,731**	7,556,615
Ground operations and domestic tournaments	**5,995,765**	5,605,208
Veterans	**5,092,756**	2,450,000
	49,310,952	32,710,118

35. ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES			
Salaries, wages and other benefits		**1,141,773,331**	971,534,813
Traveling and allowances		**24,161,562**	26,192,411
Vehicle running expenses		**21,520,841**	10,557,077
Entertainment		**16,195,165**	11,340,406
Communication		**9,553,825**	8,367,093
Committees expenses		**1,746,933**	1,425,951
Repair and maintenance		**72,962,392**	68,367,362
Printing and stationery		**4,520,258**	4,796,529
Insurance		**29,852,388**	23,106,482
Utilities net of recoveries		**90,316,454**	53,703,842
Marketing and advertisement		**18,763,488**	6,343,278
Auditors' remuneration		**2,245,152**	1,873,765
Legal and professional		**98,385,924**	79,669,780
Commercialization fee		**5,267,310**	4,655,343
Rent, rates and taxes		**1,341,496**	5,865,420
Office security expenses		**3,122,575**	3,186,656
Fee and subscriptions		**3,273,804**	727,915
Medical expenses		**927,930**	2,124,934
Cleaning expenses		**3,444,794**	3,559,737
Grants under Benevolent Fund		**2,500,000**	6,000,000
Provision for expected credit losses - net		**23,882,003**	-
Other expenses		**16,215,904**	10,123,943
		1,591,973,529	1,303,522,737
Less: Allocation of indirect costs to PSL	*4.15*	**(151,973,274)**	(126,448,702)
		1,440,000,255	1,177,074,035

36. DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
Depreciation on:			
- Property and equipment	*5.1*	**232,957,854**	206,505,402
- Right of use assets	*5.2.2*	**497,613**	445,982
- Investment property	*7*	**32,059,211**	-
		265,514,678	206,951,384
Amortization on intangible assets	*8.1*	**1,368,420**	995,845
Less: Allocation of indirect costs to PSL	*33.1 & 4.15*	**(28,663,245)**	(22,333,532)
		238,219,853	185,613,697

37. FINANCIAL AND OTHER CHARGES			
Exchange loss - net		**-**	101,764,218
Bank charges		**1,089,874**	714,060
Interest expense on lease liabilities		**5,259,318**	5,132,600
		6,349,192	107,610,878
Less: Allocation of indirect costs to PSL	*4.15*	**(681,903)**	(627,931)
		5,667,289	106,982,947

38. TAXATION			
Current tax expense:			
- For the year	*38.1*	**369,589,451**	79,841,639
- Prior year	**38.2**	**23,817,734**	-
		393,407,185	79,841,639

38.1 Tax expense for the year comprises of the following:

Minimum tax u/s 113	**-**	79,841,639
Minimum tax u/s 153	**369,589,451**	-
	369,589,451	79,841,639

38.2 This represents tax demand in respect of super tax under section 4B of the Ordinance for Tax Year 2016 which was previously pending for adjudication before Appellate Tribunal Inland Revenue (ATIR). During the year, ATIR confirmed the demand as altered and reduced by the Commissioner Inland Revenue (Appeals) amounting Rs. 23.818 million against which the Board has recorded provision accordingly (refer to note 21.1.8 for detail).

38.3 Relationship between tax expense and surplus / deficit

The current tax expense for the year represents minimum tax under section 153 (2021: minimum tax under section 113) of the Income Tax Ordinance, 2001 (the Ordinance). There is no relationship between tax expense and surplus / deficit as the provision for taxation is based on minimum tax, accordingly no reconciliation has been presented.

39. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
Investments held at amortized costs - term deposit receipts	*15*	**15,638,947,381**	13,139,147,381
Cash and bank balances	*16*	**1,438,290,071**	564,087,388
		17,077,237,452	13,703,234,769

40. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The related parties comprise retirement funds, members of Board of Governors, key management personnel and associate. Significant transactions of the Board with related parties are as under:

Relationship	Nature of transactions	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
Employees Provident Fund Trust	Amount contributed	**37,996,907**	35,756,795
Avant Hotels (Private) Limited (Associated Company)	Rental income	**1,010,590**	1,010,590

40.1 Key management personnel

Key management personnel are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing, and controlling the activities of the entity, directly or indirectly. The Board considers its Chairman, Board of Governors, Members of Management Committee and team members (Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer) to be key management personnel.

Significant transactions:

		2022		2021
		Ramiz Raja 13-Sep-21 to June-22	Ehsan Mani Jul-21 to 12-Sep-21	Ehsan Mani
		---------- Rupees ----------		Rupees
Chairman	Rented accommodation	-	**2,230,760**	4,503,506
	Vehicle allowance & costs on security vehicle:			
	- Fuel cost of owned vehicle	**252,137**	**332,338**	327,586
	Driver cost	**719,558**	**196,171**	834,684
		971,695	**528,509**	1,162,270
	Utility and mobile phone bills	**294,049**	**173,901**	396,280
	Costs of security guards & servants	**382,000**	**326,317**	709,840
	Medical expenses reimbursed	**373,332**	**34,196**	114,372
	Travelling expenses:			
	- Daily allowance and accommodation	**442,776**	**1,512,198**	3,781,665
	- Travelling	**3,486,403**	-	909,599
		3,929,179	**1,512,198**	4,691,264
	Business entertainment	**11,656**	**40,111**	381,027
				5,961,911

		Governing Board	
Members of governing board:			
	Travelling expenses:		
	Daily allowance and accommodation	**399,195**	467,021
	Travelling	**692,918**	311,826
		1,092,113	778,847
	Meeting allowance	**670,000**	570,000
		1,762,113	1,348,847
Team members	Salaries and benefits	**72,471,223**	71,716,446

40.2 The outstanding balances, if any, of such parties have been disclosed in respective notes to the financial statements.

41. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

41.1 Financial risk factors

The Board's financial liabilities comprise of creditors and other payables, lease liabilities, retention money payable and long-term deposits. The main purpose of these financial liabilities is to raise finances for Board's operations. The Board financial assets comprise of due from sponsors, franchisees, boards and associations, short-term investments, loans and advances (players and employees), long-term security deposits, other receivables and cash and bank balances that arrive directly from its operations.

The Board's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including currency risk, price risk and interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The Board's overall risk management programme focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimize potential adverse effects on the financial performance.

Risk management is carried out by the Chairman and Chief Financial Officer (CFO). The Chairman and CFO provide principles for overall risk management, as well as policies covering specific areas such as currency risk, equity price risk, interest rate risk, credit risk and liquidity risk.

(a) Market risk

(i) ***Currency risk***

Currency risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. Currency risk arises mainly from future commercial transactions or receivables and payables that exist due to transactions in foreign currencies.

The Board's major transactions in foreign currencies are in US Dollar. The following analysis demonstrates the sensitivity to a reasonably possible change in US Dollar exchange rate, with all other variables held constant, of the Board's surplus for the year before tax:

	2022	2021
Reporting date rate - Rupees per US Dollar	**206.00**	158.30
Changes in US Dollar Rate	**+10%**	+10%
Surplus / (deficit) for the year before tax - Rupees	**164,159,237**	(756,085,170)

(ii) ***Interest rate risk***

This represents the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

The Board has no significant interest bearing liabilities. The Board's interest rate risk mainly arises from investment in Term Deposit Receipts (TDRs).

At reporting date the interest rate profile of the Board's interest bearing financial instruments was:

	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
Fixed rate instruments		
Financial assets: Investments - at amortized cost	**15,638,947,381**	13,139,147,381
Floating rate instruments		
Financial assets: Bank balances - saving accounts	**1,438,267,295**	563,956,849

Fair value sensitivity analysis for fixed rate instruments

The Board does not account for any fixed rate financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss. Therefore, a change in interest rate at the statement of financial position date would not affect income or expenditure of the Board.

Cash flow sensitivity analysis for variable rate instruments

The following analysis demonstrates the sensitivity to a reasonably possible change in interest rates, with all other variables held constant, of the Board's surplus for the year before tax. This analysis is prepared assuming the amounts of floating rate instruments outstanding at statement of financial position dates were outstanding for the whole year.

		Changes in interest rate	*Effects on income before tax*
		%	*Rupees*
Investments - at amortized cost	**2022**	**+1.00**	**156,389,474**
		-1.00	**(156,389,474)**
	2021	+1.00	131,391,474
		-1.00	(131,391,474)
Bank balances - saving accounts	**2022**	**+1.00**	**14,382,673**
		-1.00	**(14,382,673)**
	2021	+1.00	5,639,568
		-1.00	(5,639,568)

(b) Credit risk

Credit risk represents the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation. The carrying amount of financial assets represents the maximum credit exposure. The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date was as follows:

	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
Long term security deposits	**9,430,784**	9,390,658
Due from sponsors, franchisees, boards and associations	**3,478,334,011**	2,475,189,259
Loans and advances	**267,903,121**	57,200,380
Other receivables	**576,604,647**	233,728,363
Short-term investments	**15,638,947,381**	13,139,147,381
Bank balances	**1,438,267,295**	563,956,849
	21,409,487,239	16,478,612,890

The age of due from sponsors, franchisees, boards and associations and related impairment loss at reporting date was:

	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
The age of due from sponsors, franchisees, boards and associations		
Not more than one year	**3,478,334,011**	2,475,189,259

Credit risk related to financial assets is managed by established procedures and controls relating to receivables credit risk management. Outstanding receivables are regularly monitored.

At June 30, 2022, seven parties that owed the Board more than Rs. 3,755 million (2021: seven parties that owed the Board more than Rs. 2,639 million) accounts for approximately 87% (2021: 81%) of total amount due from sponsors, franchisees, boards and associations.

The credit quality of financial assets that are neither past due nor impaired can be assessed by reference to external credit ratings (if available) or to historical information about counterparty default rate. The table below shows the bank balances including term deposits held with some major counterparties at the statement of financial position date:

	Rating				
Bank	**Short term**	**Long term**	**Agency**	**2022** Rupees	2021 Rupees
Al-Baraka Bank Limited	A-1	A+	VIS	**4,097,303,209**	1,963,110,287
Bank Alfalah Limited	A-1+	AA+	PACRA	**69,901,811**	724,051,244
Faysal Bank Limited	A-1+	AA	PACRA	**177,898,599**	94,907,292
JS Bank Limited	A-1+	AA-	PACRA	**3,750,000,000**	3,050,000,000
MCB Bank Limited	A-1+	AAA	PACRA	**107,075,110**	48,569,284
Samba Bank Limited	A-1	AA	VIS	**2,100,000,000**	2,900,000,000
MCB Islamic Bank Limited	A-1	A	PACRA	**507,202,295**	507,202,295
Soneri Bank Limited	A-1+	AA-	PACRA	**3,000,000,000**	3,000,000,000
United Bank Limited	A-1+	AAA	VIS	**5,548,613**	5,439,792
National Bank of Pakistan	A-1+	AAA	PACRA	**11,506,103**	1,078,950
Dubai Islamic Bank	A-1+	AA	VIS	**1,600,000,000**	500,000,000
Habib Metropolitan Bank	A-1+	AA+	PACRA	**1,583,745,086**	908,745,086
HBL Islamic	A-1+	AAA	VIS	**67,033,850**	-
				17,077,214,676	13,703,104,230

Due to the Board's long standing business relationships with these counterparties and after giving due consideration to their strong financial standing, the management does not expect non-performance by these counter parties on their obligations to the Board. Accordingly, the credit risk is minimal.

(c) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that an entity will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities.

The Board's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Board's reputation. The management believes the liquidity risk to be low.

The table below analyses the Board's financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the statement of financial position date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

	Carrying Amount	Contractual cash flows	Less than 1 year	Between 1 and 5 years	More than 5 years
	---------- Rupees ----------				
June 30, 2022					
Lease liabilities	55,248,018	504,749,839	5,247,300	20,989,200	29,011,518
Retention money payable	80,684,990	80,684,990	80,684,990	-	-
Long-term security deposits	18,732,956	18,732,956	-	18,732,956	-
Trade and other payables	5,400,080,339	5,400,080,339	5,400,080,339	-	-
June 30, 2021					
Lease liabilities	49,302,742	491,737,349	5,197,300	20,789,200	23,316,242
Retention money payable	96,490,744	96,490,744	68,875,595	27,615,149	-
Long-term security deposits	599,215	599,215	-	599,215	-
Trade and other payables	3,107,330,539	3,107,330,539	3,107,330,539	-	-

41.2 ***Fair values of financial instruments***

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction in the principal (or most advantageous) market at the measurement date under current market conditions regardless of whether that price is directly observable or estimated using another valuation technique.

The Board classifies fair value measurements using a fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements. The fair value hierarchy has the following levels:

(i) Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1).
(ii) Inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices) (level 2).
(iii) Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs) (level 3).

The Board's policy is to recognize transfer into and transfers out of fair value hierarchy levels as at the end of the reporting periods. There were no transfers amongst the levels during the current year.

Valuation techniques used to determine fair values

Level 1: The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets is based on quoted market prices at the reporting date. A market is regarded as active if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service, or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis. These instruments are included in Level 1.

Level 2: The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market is determined by using valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximize the use of observable market data where it is available and rely as little as possible on entity specific estimates. If all significant inputs required to fair value an instrument are observable, the instrument is included in Level 2.

Level 3: If one or more of the significant inputs is not based on observable market data, the instrument is included in Level 3.

The carrying values of all the financial assets and liabilities reflected in the financial statements are a reasonable approximation of their fair values. As at year-end, all financial assets and financial liabilities are carried at cost / amortized cost except for long term investment in unquoted equity instruments which is classified as financial asset through other comprehensive income.

41.3 **Financial instruments by categories**	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
Financial assets - at amortized cost		
Due from sponsors, franchisees, boards and associations	**3,478,334,011**	2,475,189,259
Advances to employees and players - net	**267,903,121**	57,200,380
Other receivables	**576,604,647**	233,728,363
Long-term security deposits	**9,430,784**	9,390,658
Short-term investments	**15,638,947,381**	13,139,147,381
Cash and bank balances	**1,438,290,071**	564,087,388
	21,409,510,015	16,478,743,429
Financial assets - at fair value through profit or loss		
Long-term investment	**37,500**	37,500
	21,409,547,515	16,478,780,929
Financial liabilities - at amortized cost		
Long-term security deposits	**18,732,956**	599,215
Lease liabilities	**55,248,018**	49,302,742
Retention money payable	**80,684,990**	96,490,744
Creditors and other payables	**5,400,080,339**	3,107,330,539
	5,554,746,303	3,253,723,240

42. **CORRESPONDING FIGURES**

Corresponding figures have been rearranged or reclassified, wherever necessary, for the purposes of comparison. Following major reclassification have been made during the year:

Description	Reclassified from	Reclassified to	2021 Rupees
Advances to franchisees	Payable to franchisees (note 19)	Due from Franchisees (note 10)	78,442,260

43. **DATE OF AUTHORIZATION**

These financial statements have been authorized for issuance by Board of Governors of PCB on 16 JAN 2024.

44. **GENERAL**

Figures have been rounded off to the nearest rupee, unless otherwise stated.

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