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Spinner Harmeet Singh puts hosts on top

Earning points in first-class games requires hard work and patience. The young Mumbai team learnt this important lesson after their perseverance all day paid off in the final session. Defending champions Karnataka — despite a depleted side were on track to overhaul Mumbai's big first innings total of 436 before losing the plot to slip up by just 21 runs.

Karnataka were bowled out for 415 after losing six wickets for only 78 runs. **The battle of attrition was won by Mumbai courtesy left-arm spinner Harmeet Singh's 6/139, which included the prized scalp of R. Samarth (180). The lead has given Mumbai a shot in the arm and their quarter-final berth now rests on the performances of other teams in the group.**

At stumps, Mumbai were 19/2 in eight overs with an overall lead of 40 runs.

Scores: Mumbai 436 & 19/0 vs Karnataka 415 (R. Uthappa 49, R. Samarth 180, K. Kapoor 35, S. Bhavane 62, **Harmeet Singh 6/139**, A. Girap 2/128)

Round-up

Saurashtra 218 & 152 in 66.5 overs. (Cheteshwar Pujara 39 not out, Dharmendrasingh Jadeja 24, A. Mangaraj 3/51) vs Odisha 88 & 128/2 in 45 overs (Govinda Podder 41 batting, Anurag Sarangi 49 batting, S. Trivedi 1/16). **Maharashtra** 342 vs Vidarbha 114 & 274/6 (f/o) in 100 overs (R. Jangid 66, Dornic Joseph 3/40).

Andhra 548 bt Goa 198 & 214 in 81.4 overs (A.S. Desai 57, S.K. Kamat 26, S.S. Dubhashi 24, V.A. Naik 37, D. Siva Kumar 5/38, C.V. Stephen 3/70.)

Assam 344 & 26/0 in 10 overs (Pallavkumar Das batting 15) vs Kerala 266 in 97.1 overs (Amit Verma 142, Sachin Baby 32, Pritam Das 4/74, J. Syed Mohammad 3/56).

Railways 345 & 189 (Anushtup Majumdar 40, Piyush Chawla 5/67) vs UP 292 (Mohammed Saif 86, Piyush Chawla 73, Ranjit Mali 5/67) & 25/0.

Jharkhand 387 & 84/1 (Sumit 42 not out, S Yadav 1/21) bt Services 230 & 235 (Saurabh 65, Yashpal 51, Quadri 6/102).

MP 514/6 decl. vs Bengal 219 (Sudeep Chatterjee 58, Amit Banerjee not out 41, Yogesh Rawat 5/65) and (f/0) 111/1 (Abhishek Das 69 batting).

Himachal Pradesh 511 vs Hyderabad 297/1 in 106 overs (T.D. Agarwal 105 batting, P.A. Reddy 48, G.H. Vihari 138 batting).

Baroda 149 & 245 in 94. 3 overs (S.P. Wakaskar 22, A.A. Waghmole 29, S. Singh 83, L. Balaji 3/65, P. Parameswaran 2/52, A. Aswin 2/44) vs Tamil Nadu 188 & 51/1 in 14 overs (M. Vijay 26 batting).