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## LEADERS AFTER ROUND 5

Team Formidables in Gold

Team Pradeep in Silver

### GOLD

**Team Formidables** who were the winners of the 2014 & 2015 editions of the Gold Event, lead at the half way stage of the qualification. Formidables won all their 5 matches today beating Delhi Blues - 14.28 VPs., Moribus - 13.14 VPs, Poddar Housing - 16.78 VPs, Liberty - 18.97 VPs in the first four round respectively and put it across team Russia, 12.83 - 7.17 VPs in the last Round for the day. **TEAM FORMIDABLES** comprise **Kiran Nadar (Capt)**, **B Satyanarayana**, **Jaggy Shivdasani**, **Rajeshwar Tewari**, **Sunit Chokshi**, **Keyzad Anklesaria**.

Last Year Runners up, **Team Russia**, continued their consistent run to lie second at the halfway mark. **TEAM RUSSIA** comprises **Andrey Gromov (Capt)**, **Aleksandr Dubinin**, **Georgy Matushko**, **Evgeny Rudakov**, **Vitaly Ruchka**, **Youri Khokhlov**. They solitary loss was at the hands of the leaders Formidables in the last round.

**Shree Radhey** comprising **V M Lal (Capt)**, **R G Bhiwandkar**, **K S Anand Samant**, **Sandeep Karmarkar**, **Finton Lewis** lie third with 70.95 VPs. They got off to a flying start vs defending Champions Team Lavazza 19.86 - 0.14 VPs. Antonio Sementa has replaced the legendary Pakistani, Zia Mahmood, in Team Lavazza.

**Rank 4 & 5 : Manyawar** 67.95 VPs and **Divitas** 65.81 VPs.

### SILVER

**Team Pradeep** - (**Pradeep Goenka**, **Pradip Mohta**, **Mrinal Kanti Mukherjee**, **Vikrant Mehta**, **Kalyan Nandy**, **Goutam Pore**) lead in the Silver Event with 76.26 VPs.

**Team Amol** - (**Amol Deshmukh**, **V Chandrasekhar**, **U V Athavale**, **V Ravichandran**) lie second with 73.03 VPs.

**Seniors Citizen's Team** - 72.84 VPs are third followed by **Team Rajputana** - 72.33 VPs (4th) and **Team Spartans** - 71.22 VPs (5th)

Tomorrow will qualify 16 teams apiece after 10 rounds in both the Gold & Silver Event. Qualified Teams will play a Pre Quarter Final Knock Out. **Do watch matches live on BBO in the VU-Graph Theatre on the 1st Floor in Studio 6 on the Big Screen Starting 10.00 hrs.**

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### Team of Four (GOLD)

<b>Winner</b>	<b>Rs. 30,00,000</b>
<b>Runner-up</b>	<b>Rs. 15,00,000</b>
Third	Rs. 7,50,000
Fourth	Rs. 6,00,000
5 <sup>th</sup> to 8 <sup>th</sup> each	Rs. 3,60,00
9 <sup>th</sup> to 16 <sup>th</sup> each	Rs. 1,50,000
17 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup> each	Rs. 50,000

### Team of Four (SILVER)

<b>Winner</b>	<b>Rs. 12,00,000</b>
<b>Runner-up</b>	<b>Rs. 7,50,000</b>
Third	Rs. 4,00,000
Fourth	Rs. 3,00,000
5 <sup>th</sup> to 8 <sup>th</sup> each	Rs. 1,80,000
9 <sup>th</sup> to 16 <sup>th</sup> each	Rs. 75,000
17 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup> each	Rs. 30,000

### Open Pairs

<b>Winner</b>	<b>Rs. 10,00,000</b>
<b>Runner-up</b>	<b>Rs. 7,50,000</b>
Third	Rs. 6,00,000
Fourth	Rs. 4,00,000
Fifth	Rs. 3,00,000
Sixth	Rs. 2,50,000
Seventh	Rs. 2,00,000
Eighth	Rs. 1,50,000
Ninth	Rs. 80,000
Tenth	Rs. 60,000
Eleventh	Rs. 45,000
Twelfth	Rs. 30,000
13 <sup>th</sup> – 16th	Rs. 15,000

### IMP Pairs

<b>Winner</b>	<b>Rs. 2,00,000</b>
<b>Runner-up</b>	<b>Rs. 1,50,000</b>
Third	Rs. 1,25,000
Fourth	Rs. 1,00,000
Fifth	Rs. 75,000
Sixth	Rs. 50,000
Seventh	Rs. 30,000
Eighth	Rs. 20,000
Ninth	Rs. 15,000
Tenth	Rs. 10,000



*Q: When and where did your journey begin in this fascinating game?*

*A :* I had no idea about the game till I landed up in Canada to pursue my Master's degree and some of my undergraduate students (under my teaching assignment) made a fool of me one evening while sipping a glass of beer. I was hooked within about six months thereafter.

*Q: You are arguably India's best known bridge player. How did this happen?*

*A :* Many people will dispute that. However, as a player I have done my bit to be recognized as someone who can follow suit at national as well as at International level. But the fact that I have played for so many years and have travelled to more than 30 countries for Bridge, it is but natural for people to notice me.

As a caring person, I have tried to put the ethics of the game and prestige of the country ahead of anything else, both in Canada and India. Played my first Bermuda Bowl for Canada in 1985 and many more for India since. I take some credit in the formation and development of the team "Formidables" led by none other than our own Kiran Nadar and this team has been a consistent performer over past many years. Shiv Nadar recognized some of that and I was able to persuade both Shiv and Kiran to start this tournament 15 years ago and also host the Bermuda Bowl in Chennai two years ago..

Lucky to have a set of good and devoted bridge friends who worked hard to host the Commonwealth Games in 2010 in New Delhi, which were well appreciated by one and all. Same set of friends have made the HCL tournament so popular with their hard work and dedication.

India had not hosted a BFAME since 1991 ( and that too was imposed on India because Bangladesh could not manage ) and I argued and persevered with BFI officials, flew to Ningbo, China to convince the BFAME officials to finally host another in BFAME in 2009,

basically to start putting India on world map. Another BFAME followed in 2011.

I have also been fortunate enough to have been invited to YEH Bros Cup as well as NEC cup several times with different team mates and that is probably another reason that I am little more visible here and there.

*Q: Who are your mentors, partners, students who you have played with over a period of time? Any favorites?*

*A :* Partners – my list is so long that everybody would think that I can not keep a Partner for long. I have played with absolute novices to world champions. I have never bought a bridge book for myself but I have learnt everything from experience. How people think at what level. Someone has correctly said that this game is a very demanding one if one wants to play well.

Bridge is played by hundreds and thousands of people and they all think differently. By playing with players of all levels, I have tried to put myself in their place and learn how they think and feel. It has taught me a lot about human psychology. Playing or bidding hands well does not always make you a winner – many other factors go into becoming a winning player and I have tried to learn those aspects by playing with so many of them.

*Mentors* - I can name one and only name : my very old and dear friend, John Carruthers in Canada. He gave an insight into overcalls and how to handle them. My overcalls became so notoriously famous that people stopped bidding against me when I overcalled and I kept getting poor results because there was no way I could persuade them to give me a Penalty.

Another one I can recall in my younger days – Dave Ingham at the university - a proclaimed expert on squeezes. When I asked him how to execute squeezes – one sentence he muttered, " RECTIFY THE COUNT". Lose the tricks you can afford to lose and something good may happen and believe me this simple dose has given me many overtricks – but mostly one at a time.

**Favorite Partners** – Quite a few but some really stand out – In Canada, I qualified to play the Trials for the Bermuda bowl with DORAN FLOCK - a chartered accountant and a great Skier. Once he broke many bones while skiing in the Canadian mountains but he survived after being 6 months in the hospital. Later on I ended up playing with DREW CANNELL who taught me UDCA (Upside Down Carding and Attitude) on the beaches of RIO DE JANEIRO in Brazil just before the Bermuda Bowl started.

Came back to India in 1986 and I met an incredible individual as my partner – HAREN CHOKSI - who unfortunately became a victim of the deadly disease and passed away at a very young age. His wife RITA CHOKSI is still going strong at the bridge table among us.

Haren and I never filled a convention card but what a photographic memory and what a brilliant mind I saw in him. He hardly spoke on a subject but when he did, we all listened and I am not talking about bridge only. We did quite well as far as results go. Won quite a few tournaments in that short span that we were together. Got to play with him in World Championships in 1990 and also a tournament in Hong Kong and Dubai. WILL MISS YOU MY FRIEND FOR EVER !!

Among the younger partners - SUNIT Chokshi stands out quite tall (not because of his height). Whenever I played with him, he kept me on my toes.

**TWO** Rajesh's I can not forget — Rajesh Dalal (CHOTU). He preferred to play Precision and he sent me 37 pages of hand written notes. I was so moved by this gesture that I really worked hard to learn that system. Will wake up at 3 am during a tournament – sit on the toilet seat (so I don't fall asleep) and keep reading those notes. Thank you CHOTU for those wonderful eight years we played together. You were very supportive and not argumentative, as I could be.

Last but not the least, not only mine, but almost everybody's super favorite partner — one and only Rajeshwar Tewari. No need to talk much about him but I can hardly remember having a bad session playing with him. For me he is NUMERO UNO !!

The saddest experience we had was in 2005 Bermuda Bowl in Estoril, Portugal. We had played the last qualifying round against Egypt. Fortunately, we had a superrrr set against Elmahdy and Sadek – top pair of Egypt and we felt that we should qualify in top

four out of eight. Not to be – we tied for 4th and 5th with Sweden and we lost the tie breaker – Italy chose us as their opponents in quarter finals and we were OUT. If we had finished in top four, may be we could have chosen (so called) weaker opponents from bottom four and who knows what after that. C'est le vie !!

*Q: What do you think is the future of Indian bridge? Where do we go from here? How can India further their international status and standing?*

A: India has lots and lots of talent - in almost all fields; but sometimes it gets channelized in the wrong way. When we talk about bridge - it is still a past time for thousands who play this game all over the country. The few who are addicted and play to bring some laurels for the country or even for themselves lack the infrastructure, the support from the Government, the corporate world and the media. Another little disturbing feeling I see around our top players – the "we know it all" attitude and lack of cohesiveness as a team, plenty of ego, lack of respect for others and above all lack of commitment. WHY the lack of commitment ? Not easy to devote entirely to Bridge and manage family, business or some concrete source of income. Without financial support it is not easy to bring medals for the country. Most of the top teams around the world have some kind of coaching programs. Eric Kokish is known as the best coach ever in the bridge world. But coaching comes at a COST and devotion by the ones to be coached. Many years ago, Kiran did engage Kokish for Coaching via SKYPE. It worked fine for few sessions but again for the lack of commitment by few, it died a slow death.

So what I can say about the future of Indian bridge — lot of potential but too many ifs and buts to go anywhere near the top. Hopefully, India will win some medal/s in Asian Championships next year and the Sports Ministry or corporate world will notice and start supporting it in at least in a small way. Look at Cricket in our country. It is ruling the world with financial might and look at other sports. No money, No youngsters coming in and No medals.

Looking at Chess, Badminton, Tennis, Billiards and Golf – we have few known faces of International standards but they have enough financial incentives if and when they do well. Bridge players are not good enough to even get an Arjuna award while Tendulkar gets Bharat Ratna. Where is the MOTIVATION for Bridge players ?? If we didn't have a few generous



sponsors to keep the game going, bridge would have died much earlier, and sadly, it is dying a slow death in this country.

*Q: How can bridge be popularised in India? What needs to be done?*

Everybody talks about attracting Kids to Bridge and we all know that it is almost IMPOSSIBLE in this country. Kids are smart and they have many other options to keep them occupied. Parents in particular and society or the peer group in general will not encourage them to take it up, even as a mental pastime, forget the financial angle.

So what is the right TARGET group? In my personal opinion we should target the age group of around 30-35 years. Most of them have finished their formal education, have started earning and settled with life partners with a child or two. They have to be convinced that it is a good mental hobby especially as they get older. Corporate sector can take a lead in their recruitment plan and HCL can be a guiding light for them. They should give extra weightage in their annual appraisal to those employees who can play bridge. An idea worth trying!!

*Q: What advice do you have for various levels of players and partnerships?*

COUNT, COUNT and COUNT-- count the high cards and no. of cards distributed around the table - as per the bidding or as per the first few tricks. Believe me it is not a rocket science to be able to count. Just a matter of cultivating a habit.

As far as partnerships – first and foremost - LIKE and

RESPECT your partner. Otherwise discontinue. Agree on a basic system, write and exchange notes. Both partners should keep their own score sheet and MARK the hands where one needs to discuss a point later. As and when, new ideas come up – include them in your methodology as per your comfort level.

COMMUNICATION on a regular basis is the key to forming a good partnership.

*Q: You have given so many upcoming players a big boost by playing with them at the top level. They all come out richer for the experience even though it is often a baptism by fire. Your Comment.*

A: Like I mentioned above, I have played with many people and I have learnt a lot along the way from them. No one can be a good teacher /mentor unless there is a desire to learn all along. The student in a teacher should never die!!

One little regret that I have as far as bridge is concerned. I was fortunate enough to play few tournaments with Mike Lawrence (thanks to a generous sponsor) in Canada and we had good results. Mike was keen that I played with him and the sponsor was willing to send us anywhere in the world. Sadly, being a Canadian, I could not play in an American team unless I moved to USA and that never happened because I loved Canada and Canadians.

*( Opposites Attract! Mike Lawrence is The guru of bridge theory books. Who has not read his books on Overcalls, Balancing, Hand Evaluation, etc. He has written well over 30 best seller bridge books. And Subhashji, as per his own admission, hasnt bought a single book! And they almost formed a long term partnership! Bridge makes strange bed fellows - Ed)*

## BON APPETIT

India had a sizable contingent at the World Championships in Valkenburg, Netherlands in 1980. Staying in a hotel, the Indians used to go to a restaurant for meals regularly. The Maitre'd would greet the guests with " Bon Appetit", a traditional French nicety to say, "Enjoy your meal".

Agarwalaji, wanting to seem very savvy, would return the greeting, holding out his hand, saying, "Agarwala", thinking the man was introducing himself.

This went on for a few times, with the Indian contingent having a quiet giggle, till someone apprised him as to the significance of Bon Appetit, that it was a greeting.

Next day Agarwalaji goes upto the Maitre'd, and enthusiastically says, "Bon Appetit " !

The confused Maitre'd, recovers fast, extending his hand, saying, "Agarwala" !!!

## PARTICIPATING TEAMS - GOLD

Sl. No.	Team Name	Player Names
1	Hemant Jalan	<b>Hemant K Jalan</b> , Swarnendu Banerjee, Kaustabh Nandi, Kaustubh Bendre, Sandip Datta, Pritish Kushari
2	Moribus	<b>Joyjit Sensarma</b> , Rajeev Gupta, Paresh Gupta, Namit Sharma
3	Poddar Housing Ltd	<b>Anal Shah</b> , Arvind Vaidya, Milind Athawale, Anal Shah, Jitendra Solani, R Sridharan, Subhash Dhakras
4	Samadhan	<b>Ravi Raman</b> , Rahul Khambete, T V Ramani, Vijay Phatarphekar, Prahalad Rajkumar, Raghavendra Rajkumar
5	Aristos	<b>Sanjoy Bhattacharya</b> , R Sreekrishnan, S K Iyengar, Rajendra Gokhale, Arvind Srinivasan, R Venkatesh
6	Formidables	<b>Kiran Nadar</b> , B Satyanarayana, Jaggy Shivdasani, Rajeshwar Tewari, Sunit Chokshi, Keyzad Anklesaria
7	Anoop Dhawan	<b>Anoop Dhawan</b> , Manas Mukherjee, Partha Banerjee, Kingshuk Bhattacharjee, Shambhu Nath Ghosh, Biswajit Poddar
8	KH Power	<b>Arun Bahulkar</b> , Sanjay Datta, C M Kulkarni, K Durgadas, L Ravichandran, C Rangarajan
9	Sweden	<b>Gunnar Andersson</b> , Mikael Rimstedt, Ola Rimstedt, Simon Ekenberg, Simon Hult, Adam Stokka
10	Israel	<b>Levy Stern</b> , Lior Urman, Israel Yadlin, Doron Yadlin, Lungu Veronel
11	Zwederland	<b>Johan Upmark</b> , Fredick Nystrom, Ricco van Prooijen, Louk Verhees
12	Pharma Service	<b>Morten Bilde</b> , Hans Christian Graversen, Poul Clemmensen, Emil Jepsen, Dorte Cilleborg Bilde
13	Drink	<b>Guy Mendes De Leon</b> , Veri Kiljan, Luc Tijssen, Thibo Sprinkhuizen
14	Bridge Plus	<b>Angel Vanchev</b> , Zahary Zahariev, Jerry Stamatov, Diyan Danailov
15	Bridge24.pl	<b>Piotr Nawrocki</b> , Piotr Wiankowski, Kamil Nowak, Wojciech Strzemecki
16	Russia	<b>Andrey Gromov</b> , Aleksandr Dubinin, Georgy Matushko, Evgeny Rudakov, Vitaly Ruchka, Youri Khokhlov
17	K1 Bulgaria	<b>Diana Damianova</b> , Viktor Aronov, Yuliyana Stefanov, Ivan Nanev
18	McAllister	<b>John McAllister</b> , Peter Fredin, Hila Levi, Adi Asulin
19	Iceland	<b>Sveinn Eiriksson</b> , Bjarni Einarsson, Throstur Ingimarsson, Julius Sigurjonsson, Bjorgvin Kristinsson, Adalsteinn Jorgensen
20	Failla	<b>Giuseppe Failla</b> , Luca de Michelis, Andrea Manno, Massimiliano di Franco
21	Oceania	<b>Peter Gill</b> , Liam Milne, Matthew Brown, Michael Whibley
22	Liberty	<b>Mohammad Maula Al Mamun</b> , Md. Zahid Hossain, Sk. Aminur Rahman, Ali Ahammed
23	Pertamina Indonesia	<b>Robert Parasian</b> , Taufik Gautama Asbi, Julius Anthonius George, David Hutahaeen, Kurniadi Djauhari, Noldy Robert Ngantung
24	Russia - Semenov	<b>Igor Bavchine</b> , Yury Khiuppenen, Vadim Kholomeev, Ivan Semenov
25	Lavazza	<b>Norberto Bocchi</b> , Giorgio Duboin, Dennis Bilde, Antonio Sementa
26	Maya Meera Sneha	<b>Sukamal Das</b> , Satyabrata Mukherjee, Pranab Roy, Sankar Acharya, Asha Sharma, Akanksha Vyas
27	Mukul Gupta	<b>Mukul Gupta</b> , SAAbbasi, T P Khare, Anees, Gaurav Banerjee, Raju
28	Dhampur Sugar Mills	<b>Ashok Kumar Goel</b> , K.R.Venkataraman, Sumit Mukherjee, Debabrata Majumder, Sundarram Srinivasan, Sridharan Padmanabhan,
29	Bangur Cement	<b>Debasish Roy</b> , Kamal Mukherji, Ajay Bagadia, Bibas Todi, Suman Sengupta, Arabinda Roy

# PARTICIPATING TEAMS - GOLD

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Sl. No.	Team Name	Player Names
30	Doc In Doc	<b>Dr. Ashwani Mehta</b> , Renata Muller, Marshall Lewis, Edward Levy, Sunil Bhatia
31	Shri Radhey	
32	Rohit Wrapper	<b>Ajay Vaish</b> , Deepak Kothiwal, Pinaki Khan, Snehasish Roy, Asit Baran Chakraborty, Kamal Naguri
33	Dhaka Skype	<b>M Sakhawat Hossain</b> , MA Quddus, Abul Khayer, M Mahmud Hossain
34	Team NRK	<b>N.R. Kirubakaramoorthy</b> , Ramaratnam Krishnan, B. Prabhakar, Sandeep Thakral, Vivek Bhand, Bhabesh Saha
35	Alpha	<b>Daya Dhaon</b> , Rana Roy, Amarnath Banerjee, Dipak Santra, Aniruddha Bhattacharya
36	Mango	<b>Jeroo Mango</b> , Ivan Alphonso, Archie Sequeira, Ian Concessio, B. Seeniv <b>V M Lal</b> , R G Bhiwandkar, K S Anand Samant, Sandeep Karmarkar, Finton Lewisasagan, Koushik Mukherjee
37	Eden Realty Kolkata	<b>Badal Das</b> , Pranab Bardhan, Shibnath DeSarkar, Alope Kumar Sadhu, Partho S Mukherjee
38	COGITO	<b>Andrey Purushottam</b> , N.K. Gupta, Subhranshu Patnaik, Sanjay Sondhi, Abhijit Chakraborty, Samir Basak
39	Shree Cement	<b>Ravi Goenka</b> , Subir Majumdar, A.K. Sinha, Subhash Gupta, Sapan Desai, Satyabrata Lahiri
40	Aggarwal Team	<b>Inderash Aggarwal</b> , BK Aggarwal, Col KK Sabherwal, Asit Kumar Kundu, BN Rastogi
41	Standard Sabari	<b>Rajeev Sukumaran</b> , Mithun Mukherjee, Verghese Jacob, Rajnesh Gossain
42	Delhi Blues	<b>Prakash Bhandari</b> , D K Tewari, P C Gupta, J B Sengupta, Ashok Girdhar, S K Bandhopadhyay
43	Ramcharan	<b>G Veerabhadra Rao</b> , M D Choudary, G V Rao, C D Kumar, M V Subba Rao, K Srinivas, P B G Tilak
44	Mohit Mehta	<b>Mohit Kumar Mehta</b> , Sujit Basu, Swapan Kr. Ghosh, Prabir Paul, Sowmik Das, Anirban Mitra
45	HRIDHAAN	<b>Bhalchandra Ogale</b> , Ajit Chakradeo, Makarand Kulkarni, S Krishnan, Jitesh Agrawal, Anil Vijayvargiya
46	Integra	<b>Sanat Saha</b> , Suresh Kumar, S Deb, Indranil Chakraborty, Binod Kumar Shaw, Amal Kundu
47	Sarthak Behuria	<b>Sarthak Behuria</b> , Sutanu Behuria, Sidharth Behura, Kr Vijayanand Singh, Pradeep Anand Singh, Pankaj Mehta
48	Calcutta Bridge Club	<b>Swapan Some</b> , Sankar Narayan Ghosh, Suresh Ranjan Bhattacharyya, Swapan Kumar De, Suman Routh
49	Pegasus	<b>U K Pal</b> , A K Ghosh, K Chandramouli, G P Gupta, Jay Kumar R., Jitender Kumar
50	Brave	<b>T K Banerji</b> , Atulya Sood, Anil Sud, Nita Banerji
51	Mrs Hema Deora	<b>Gopinath Manna</b> , Uttam Gupta, Prasun Mukherjee, Rahul Shetty
52	MANYAWAR	<b>Prasad Keni (npc)</b> , Anil Padhye, Vinay desai, Raju Tolani, Ajay Khare, Arun Bapat, Simon Stocken
53	Magic Eyes	<b>Esther C Sophonpanich</b> , Somchai Baisamut, Vallapa Svangsopakul, Asdang Riamsree
54	Rainbow	<b>Maneesh Bahuguna</b> , Sunil Machar, Himani Khandelwal, Rajeev Khandelwal, Prakash Hegde, Rajiv Gulawani, Maneesh Bahuguna
55	Bridge The Gap	<b>Robert Sima</b> , Robert Sima, G. Lakshman, P.T. Ramjee, Sanjay Jhawar, Chanchal Dass, Vijay Ranchan
56	Divitas	<b>S Sundareshan</b> , Arjun Sawhny, Hasibul Hasan, Paban Agarwal, Sanjib Das, Subrata Saha
57	Evergreen Forest	<b>Maheswar Pradhan</b> , AM Rao, G C Pradhan, S S Behera, C R Mohapatra

## RESULTS AFTER ROUND 5 - GOLD

RANK	TEAM	VPS	RANK	TEAM	VPS
1	Formidables	76	30	COGITO	50.94
2	Russia	71.62	31	Aristos	50.91
3	Shri Radhey	70.95	32	Russia Semenov	50.49
4	Manyawar	67.95	33	McAllister	49.81
5	Divitas	65.81	34	Israel	48.21
6	Eden Realty	65.42	35	Poddar Housing	47.94
7	Indonesia	64.93	36	Team NRK	45.67
8	Hemant Jalan	63.77	37	Drink	45.61
9	Pharma Service	63.6	38	Anoop Dhawan	44.95
10	Failla	63.1	39	Samadhan	44.92
11	Magic Eyes	62.33	40	KH Power	44
12	Bridge 24PL	61.97	41	Ramcharan	43.52
13	Zwederland	61	42	Bangur Cement	42.45
14	Liberty	60.2	43	Rainbow	41.99
15	Oceania	60.18	44	Brave	41.99
16	Delhi Blues	59.78	45	Standard Sabar	41.52
17	Cal Club	59.64	46	Moribus	40.01
18	Bridge Plus	58.79	47	Maya Meera Sne	39.55
19	Sweden	56.41	48	BridgetheGap	39.4
20	Sarthak Behuri	55.87	49	Integra	39.05
21	Mrs Hema Deora	55.75	50	DOC in DOC	36.05
22	K1 Bulgaria	55.72	51	Dhaka Skype	34.3
23	Hridhaan	55.51	52	Alpha	31.62
24	Iceland	54.61	53	Mango	30.07
25	Shree Cement	53.44	54	Pegasus	28.23
26	Dhampur Sugar	53.19	55	Mohit Mehta	27.36
27	Lavazza	52.24	56	Mukul Gupta	26.38
28	Rohit Wrapper	51.28	57	ONGC C	25.13
29	Aggarwal Team	51.11	58	Evergreen Fore	16.87



## DEFENDING CHAMPS TEAM LAVAZZA SUFFER JET LAG

We started our coverage of this championship looking for action, hopefully. So logically we decided to follow last years defending champions, Team Lavazza. And Boy! We were not disappointed. Board - 1 saw both teams bid a regulation red suit slam. But Team Poddar housing fresh from their semifinals World Team Championships (Seniors) blasted a grant slam with an Ace missing. The lead didn't come. -1440. Runners up Team Russia were made to smell the coffee on the very first board.

Board : 2, Dealer : E, Vul : NS

♠ - J 10 4 3	
♥ - 7	
♦ - Q 9 5 4	
♣ - Q 10 8 6	
♠ - 9 6	♠ - K 8 7 2
♥ - Q J 10 6	♥ - A K 5 3
♦ - K J	♦ - 10 8 3 2
♣ - K 7 4 3 2	♣ - J
	♠ - A Q 5
	♥ - 9 8 4 2
	♦ - A 7 6
	♣ - A 9 5

Open Room : Lavazza - EW

W	N	E	S
<i>Sementa</i>	<i>V M Lall</i>	<i>Bocchi</i>	<i>Bhiwandkar</i>
Redbl	1S	Dbl	All Pass

Lead : CJ by East

Closed Room : Lavazza - NS

W	N	E	S
<i>Sandip K</i>	<i>D Bilde</i>	<i>Finton</i>	<i>Duboin</i>
Redbl	Pass	Pass	1H
Dbl	Redbl	Pass	1NT
Pass	2C	Pass	Pass
Dbl	Pass	2H	All Pass

Lead : H2 by South

Lavazza got ambitious early morning when they tried to punish a 1S contract just because they had 2 more HCPs. Declarer was cold for 7 tricks any which way. Defense can collect the minor suit kings and a heart. And west can get 3 trumps tops if gets his club ruffs. In the Closed Room after going round the mulberry bush - 5 rounds of bidding landed Shri Radhey in a mere 2H by East. Repeated trump leads saw the defense take 6 tricks.

Board : 4, Dealer : W, Vul : Both

♠ - A 9	
♥ - K J 10 7	
♦ - Q 7 3	
♣ - K Q 6 3	
♠ - K Q 10 7 6 5 4	♠ - 8
♥ - A Q 9	♥ - 8 6 5 4 2
♦ - 5	♦ - A 4
♣ - J 2	♣ - A 10 9 7 5
	♠ - J 3 2
	♥ - 3
	♦ - K J 10 9 8 6 2
	♣ - 8 4

Open Room : Lavazza - EW

W	N	E	S
<i>Sementa</i>	<i>V M Lall</i>	<i>Bocchi</i>	<i>Bhiwandkar</i>
1S	Dbl	Pass	2D
2S	Pass	Pass	3D
All Pass			

Lead : SK by West

Closed Room : Lavazza - NS

W	N	E	S
<i>Sandip K</i>	<i>D Bilde</i>	<i>Finton</i>	<i>Duboin</i>
1S	Dbl	1NT	3D
3S	Pass	4S	All Pass

Lead : D3 by North

### Letting Their Hair Down - Shree Radhey



Finton Lewis



Raju Bhiwandkar

# DEFENDING CHAMPS TEAM LAVAZZA SUFFER JET LAG *Contd.*

Shri Radhey's East-West Finton Lewis and Sandip Karmakar bid the hand to the hilt. That's half the story. Sandip, West, played the hand smartly making full use of the bidding. Winning the Club Ace on the table, Sandip played a low spade to the Ten (!) trying to keep South off lead till he could set up the club suit. He **had to** play for the club king-queen in. Any North worth his salt would play a club honor, irrespective of his club holding when declarer leads the jack from hand. Declarer is forced to duck. Fortune favours the brave. In the other room his team mates also played the hand in 3D making 4.

## The Torture Never Stops

Board 6 : Dealer : E, Vul : EW

♠ - Q 8 6 ♥ - A 6 3 2 ♦ - A 5 ♣ - 10 7 6 4		♠ - 10 5 2 ♥ - ♦ - K J 10 9 8 4 3 ♣ - K Q 9	
♠ - 9 7 4 3 ♥ - K Q J 8 7 ♦ - 2 ♣ - 8 5 2		♠ - A K J ♥ - 10 9 5 4 ♦ - Q 7 6 ♣ - A J 3	

Open Room : Lavazza - EW

W	N	E	S
<i>Sementa</i>	<i>V M Lall</i>	<i>Bocchi</i>	<i>Bhiwandkar</i>
		3D	3NT

All Pass

Lead : HK by West

Closed Room : Lavazza - NS

W	N	E	S
<i>Sandip K</i>	<i>D Bilde</i>	<i>Finton</i>	<i>Duboin</i>
Pass	2C	Pass!	1NT
Pass	4H	2D	2H
Dbl	All Pass	Pass	Pass

Lead : D2 by West

You open a 15-17 NT, find partner with 10 HCP and 4-4 heart fit. Hearts break 5-0, one defender holds KQJ87. You also get doubled for good measure. -300. All because the dog didn't bark While 3 Easts in the matches featuring the top two teams open 3D, Shri Radhey's Finton Lewis (East) passed with good effect.

Board-8 : Team Lavazza gifted 6 imps to Shri

Radhey when they doubled them in a cold 4H making 5.

## It Doesn't Rain - It Pours

Board : 9, Dealer : N, Vul : EW

♠ - K 7 3 2 ♥ - K 2 ♦ - Q ♣ - J 9 8 7 5 3		♠ - 6 ♥ - A 9 6 4 ♦ - A K 6 5 ♣ - A Q 4 2	
♠ - A Q 9 8 ♥ - J 10 8 ♦ - J 10 9 4 2 ♣ - 10		♠ - J 10 5 4 ♥ - Q 7 5 3 ♦ - 8 7 3 ♣ - K 6	

Open Room : Lavazza - EW

W	N	E	S
<i>Sementa</i>	<i>V M Lall</i>	<i>Bocchi</i>	<i>Bhiwandkar</i>
	Pass	1D	Pass
1S	Pass	2C	Pass
2D	Pass	2S	Pass
3D	Pass	3NT	Pass
4C	Pass	4D	Pass
4S	Pass	4NT	Pass
5C	Pass	6D	All Pass

Lead : H5 by South

Closed Room : Lavazza - NS

W	N	E	S
<i>Sandip K</i>	<i>D Bilde</i>	<i>Finton</i>	<i>Duboin</i>
	Pass	1D	Pass
1S	Pass	2C	Pass
3D	Pass	4D	Pass
4S	Pass	6D	All Pass

Lead : D3 by South

Lavazza wished they hadn't got out of bed last morning. Both tables bid a slam in diamonds by East. Lavazza South lead a heart and gave the declarer an easy ride. But Shri Radhey's **South Raju Bhiwandkar lead a trump!** Now it became choppy seas for the declarer. And he went down. Can he land on his feet after a trump lead? Ponder ye Pundits.

The Shri Radhey NS, V. M. Lall and R Bhiwandkar had All Tens scores! The Champs were pulverised 50 - 4 imps. 19.86 VPs. Fireworks to kick off these Championships!

## PARTICIPATING TEAMS - SILVER

Sl. No.	Team Name	Player's Name
1	Pradeep	Pradeep Goenka, Pradip Mohta, Mrinal Kanti Mukherjee, Vikrant Mehta, Kalyan Nandy, Goutam Pore
2	Smash	Aniruddha Sanzgiri, Makrand Lonkar, Col Satish Diwanji, Dr Milind Hajirnis, Hemant Pande, Dr Atul Dashputre
3	Team Vibrant	M K Halder, Vinay Mohan, Dipak Paul, B N Ghosh, Bhaskar Ganguly, Sanjit Dey
4	Assam Blues	T K Bhattacharjee, Sanjay Raha, Jaydeep Bhattacharjee, Chanchal Sen, Subrata Adhikari, Arnab Guha
5	ABCD Hooghly	Deshasmriti Roy Choudhury, Amar Nath Dhar, Dipak Kumar Sengupta, Pallab Sinha Roy, Samir Kumar Sil, Ashok Kumar Bose
6	Midnapur Card Club	Neta Pada Kabiraj, Ghanashyam Pal, Pradip Kr Jana, Sudipta Ray, Ashok Biswas, Sujit Kumar Sur
7	Arup Banerjees VI	Gautam Chatterjee, Arup Banerjee, Dinesh Sinha, Goutam Chatterjee, Sagar Bhuia, Tapas Das
8	Manzova Casual	Joy Narayan Roy, Mrinal De, Debasish Bose, Moloy Mondal, Manik Alam, Pijush Baroi
9	SBDVI	Shyamal Roy, Soumitra Das, Biswaroop Auddy, Deborshi Datta Gupta, Ayan Chatterjee, Sabyasachi Sadhukhan
10	Forcing	R N Chowdhury, Biplab J Guha, Bhuvanjit Shaw, Arnab Ghosh, Arjun Kumar, P Roy
11	Spartans	Anil Kumar Upadhyay, Girish Kumar, Ambrish Wadera, Raghunath Tripathi, Devi Bhatnagar, Ratnesh
12	Asansol Card Club	Jhan Ranjan Bhoumik, Ashok Kumar Sinha, Partha Pratim Mitra, Abishek Mitra, P K Roy Chowdhury
13	Jupiter Hyd	Seetharamaiah D, Srinivasarao C, Gollakota S, Ajay B Yadnik, Subhajit Choudhury, Sudhakararao P
14	Engineers	Sanjay Gupta, Naresh Jain, M.R. Goel, Madhu Sharma, Kajal Das
15	Hooghly Bridge Circle	N B Das, Anup Dutta Roy, Apurba Bhattacharjee, Somnath Mitra, Sankha Goswami, Paresh Chandra Biswas
16	Atha Group B	Provat Roy, Sujit Bhattacharjee, Pallab Roy, Amitava Banerjee, Promod Ranjan Das
17	Rainbow	R. M. Gupta, Tapas Kumar Roy, Sukanta Das, Santi Ranjan Dutta, Surajit Das, Rajesh Jain
18	Dr Sanghi	Dr R L Sanghi, S M Moin, Sunil Sinha, Sham Sharma, Anil Bharihoke, S C Bhandari
19	Balaji	Vikas Taralekar, Shankar N., Avinash Golatkar, Suhas Vichare, Gondhalekar
20	Anant	Vijay Raghavan, N Rajmohan, Rajesh Somani, Anant Somani, Mridul Das, Mukesh Ghatiya
21	Borivali Sports Club	Amod Rele, Khushru Kapadia, Ronald Miranda, Lyn Nazareth, Stanley Nazareth, Srinivas Joshi
22	Yogakshem	Deepak Pradhan, Sanjeev Nadkarni, Tusher Bedi, Subhash Bhavnani, Avijit Sarkar, Souvik Kar
23	Soumitra	Soumitra Wardekar, Ashok Vaidya, Pramod Joshi, Nitin Shirole, Sampat Shrinivasan
24	ICA	Sailaranjan Das, Deepak Pramanik, Subhasish Sarkar, Saswata Bhattacharya, Blswadip Roy, Sanjib Basak
25	Navamita	Wg Cdr T K Sarkar, Gopal Das, Prosenjit Manna, Sudip Pandit, Suvankar Basu, Tapas Bhattacharia
26	Bagchi'S IV	Tapas Mukherjee, P. K. Das Sharma, Dilip Ch. Bagchi, Rana Chakraborty, Saumitra Basu, Priyotosh Sarkar
27	Thakurs Special	Mrinal Das, Samir Das, X, Pappu Mukherjee, Achintya Thakur, Tapan Kumar Roy
28	Vidarbha	Shailendra Chhajed, V.J. Puranik, A.J. Puranik, R.P. Deshpande, Anil Mohta
29	Indian Chain	N Chitlangia, Sanjay Bajoria, Bharati Dey, Alok Daga, Ravi Saberwal
30	A. K. Bose	Abhijit Kumar Bose, Shantanu Ghosh, Anindya Bhattacharya, Soumya Das, Sayantan Kushari, Sagnik Roy
31	Indian Oil	Uday Bedekar, K R Vyas, Smita Govilkar, A V Sureshbabu, Biswajit Mahata, Subhas Mahata

# PARTICIPATING TEAMS - SILVER

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Sl. No.	Team Name	Player's Name
32	Kamalesh Gupta	Kamales Gupta, Vikram Jain, Aritra Bhattacharya, Anindra Kumar Sarkar, Joyrup Mullick, Bhaskar Sarkar
33	Rahara Card Club	Arup Dutta, Pradyut Bhattacharjee, Swetadri Saha, Wrik Chakraborty, Krishna Das Chakraborty, Ramkrishna Majumder
34	Singur Bridge Club	Sibo Prasad Ghosh, Ashis Sadhukhan, Tapas Dasgupta, Phani Bhusan Das, Netai Tudu
35	Atha Group	Dilip Atha, Siddharta Roy Chowdhury, Sahipal Ghosh, Tapan Jyoti Ghosh, Biswajit Ghosh, Chiranjeev Ballav
36	CFCO	Chandra Shekhar Majumdar, Basudeb Bhattacharya, Jay Kumar Majumdar, Partha Sarathi Mukherjee, Dr Sushil Chandra, Mrs Rita Chandra
37	Kishan IV	Rajendra Sirohia, Bulu Saha, Sukalyan Sarkar, Sanjib Majumdar, Somesh Bhattacharya
38	A. K. Dhara IV	Arjun Kr. Dhara, Kanai Sarkar, Dulal Dey, Biswajit Dutta, Bidyut Goswami, Saurav Sil
39	UP-Bihar	R. A. Siddiqui, Shantanu Rastogi, K. C. Kumar, Sujeet Kumar, Rabindra Kumar Singh, S Q Wajahat
40	Amol	Amol Deshmukh, V Chandrasekhar, U V Athavale, V Ravichandran
41	Skipper	Tonmoy Ghosh, Suraj Das, Shyama Prasad Chatterjee, Gautam Das, Subrata Chatterjee, Karuna Roy
42	MARBLES	Anupam Rai, P.K.Joel, P.K.Das, G.K.Banerjee, Pankaj Chaudhary, Pintu Sao
43	Indradhanush	S.R.S.Sastry, T.T. Chari, Laskshmi Chari, Harihara Subramanian, Lata Hari, N.C.J. John
44	DM4	C P Agarwal, Pulak Garg, R P Bhatnagar, Col R K Bhatnagar
45	Baruipur Bridge Club	B. C. Kayal, Jayanta Choudhury, Sukumar Kayal, Dipak Majumder, Alok Kumar Mondal, Tapas Adhikary
46	Intercity	Yatish Chandra, C V Kekre, A L Sancheti, A P Joglekar, R K Nagpal, Anil Kumar Bansal
47	Rajputana	K P Mathur, N K Sharma, Puneet Gangal, Pradeep Govil
48	Finesse	Dr Bhalchandra Kulkarni, Sunil Patki, Sukrit Vijaykar, Jenish Shah, Dr Rajan Joshi, Shirish Karkarey
49	Jai Ganesh	P Bhosale, S G Surve, N B Shinde, R Khare, S B Khanolkar, B Pendse
50	PMDBA	Sujit Chakrabarty, Gautam Roy, Jay Saikia, Nantu Bhattacharjee
51	Xirode	Girish Hirode, Darshan Patel, Suhas Lele, Vikrant Joseph, Rupa Bakeri, K S Deodhar
52	Constellation	Amar Jit Wadhawan, Dr Nikita Kamal, Rita Choksi, Anand Bhatia, S K Syal, D K Paul
53	Gentlemen	Capt. Marwah, Gen C B Vijan, Brig Dutt, Maj S Bhalla, R K Garg
54	Team Mukesh	Mukesh Shivdasani, Brig Vijay K Sawhney, Yogesh Tiwari, Sangram Guha, Ashok Bedi, Arun Jain
55	ATANU	Atanu Ganguly, Kishore Kumar Ganguly, Anirban Sasmal, Nilanjan Ghosh, Raj Mukherjee, Kalyan Kr Roy
56	SECURE	R S Jasuja, Asha Surana, Shashi (NK) Jain, V K Mutreja, Monica Jajoo, Puja Batra
57	Gupta's Bangalore	A S Gupta, V Krishnan, R. Anbazhagan, Prakash Eswaran
58	Six-Pack	Afshar Majeed, N. Prakasam, V. Ramkumar, Vijay Devadass, Sandip Dang, Nirmal Jain
59	Sathe's 4	A G Sathe, G C Dey, C K Damle, V K Patwardhan
60	BCDA	Col M P S Chauhan, Col Dhody, C Prakash, B S Nayyar
61	Inter-finesse	Santanu Choudhury, Biplab Mondal, Goutam Mazumder, Bablu Roy Choudhury, Pinaki Ranjan Banerjee
62	Surprise	Shrinivas V Apte, Madhav Kshirsagar, Ajoy Sonak, Shailendra Handa, Anshul Bhatt

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Sl. No.	Team Name	Player's Name
63	PBA	K R Lakhanpal, S R Malhotra, Y P Punj, Gur Iqbal Singh, S P Sharma, Ved Prakash
64	Kosmos	T C Pant, Daleep Mutreja, Rajesh Jain, Anukul Mandal, Natasha Khanderia, Ashok K Sinha
65	TWEM	Vinay Sharma, DR. K Vahalia, Inderjeet Singh, Jayant Kumar
66	Green Top	Brig. Deena N Khanna, D D Gulati, Vishal Marwah, Saranjit Dhupia, Sanjiv Bery, Vijit Bery
67	Ushakiran	Hemant Kher, Nitin Dharmadhikari, Usha Joshi, Dr Ajay Kumar Saha, Janardan Nambiar, Ajit Mahadar
68	Kumar Properties Ltd Pune	J K Bhosale, Abhay Todankar, C Dayal, Anant Golwalkar
69	Filmnagar cultural centre Hyderabad	J V Ramana Murthy, G Madanmohan Rao, S Rajagopala Rao, R Chandra Mohan
70	Senior Citizens	Montu Mukherjee, Pramod Kumar Mishra, J. Pratihari, Dinabandhu Sahu
71	Gems of UP	B N Batra, H S Dua, Vikas Gupta, Sanjay Amist, B K Sahoo, Anuj Sharma
72	Bhamidipati	A Balaram, P P Swamy, B Ramamohan Rao, D Murali Krishna, S M Nigam, Prabhat Gupta
73	SKD1955	Vrishali Paranjpe, Kalyan Roychowdhury, Swapan Kr. Dutta, Mihir Kr. Dey, Manik Roy, Prabhat Mukherjee
74	JHONTUS IV	Sanat Roy, S.P. Roy, P.K. Roy, Dipak Sarkar, Goutam Banerjee, Bijon Kumar Mondal
75	VILLAGERS	Susanta Mandal, Nemaia Dutta, Prasanta Mandal, Santanu Chakraborty, Bikas Dutta, Tanmoy Majumder
76	TBA	Devendranath T, Nageswara Rao K, Divakara Reddy K, Karunakar Reddy K, Placid Faria, Mohan Gurnath S
77	Harmony	Savleen Thadani, Gopika Tandan, Sailaja Tahiliani, Devanshu Datta, Ashok Singh, Dilip Coehlo
78	Hakuna Matata	Ranjan Bhattacharya, Richa Shriram, Bindiya Judge, Mangalam Punj, Pradip Ghosh, Pintu Maity
79	Bankura Club	Subhasis Roy, Partha Sarathi Samanta, Tapan Roy, Shyama Prasad Banerjee, Sailen Das, Sanjeeb Ganguly
80	PCBA	Mr. V.G . Gujrathi , Mr. V.V. Phadke, Dr. Jayant Pingle, Mr. Shriram Gharpure , Mr. Prasanna Bhide, Mr. Satish Gole
81	Spade ace	SK Sharma, Ibrat Khan, D.C. Bhargava, Sandeep Nyati
82	LOTUS	Subhash Prakash Mehta, Prasanna Kumar Hota, Shiv Shankar Gupta, Sukhdev Gupta, Girdhar Lal Tandon, Ram Prasad Rehan
83	AR DAS'S IV	Amiya Ranjan Das, Debashis Bhadra, Amalendu Sanyal, Arup Dey, Ananda Hazra, Siddhartha Ghosh
84	Multi	V. N. Puri, R.K. Gupta, Arun Chopra, Ajay Tankha, Rakesh Nanda, B. S. Gupta
85	Nuts & Bolts	A. K. Sinha, J. N. Pandey, A. K. Guha, S. Krishnamoorthi
86	Rajasthan Royal	Umesh Bhargava, Suniti Rathore, Gajendra Vyas, D M Mehta
87	Target	S. Dharni, A.K. Narang, V.D. Gupta , S.M. Gupta, Dr. Bagga, Sandeep Narang
88	SHIVA	V Dasmahapatra, Arup Hudait, S Srinivasan, Sudhakar Babu, Pritam Das
89	Nagbagan Card Club	Ashim Kumar Ghosh, Gautam Biswas, Sapan Ghosh, Saurendra Nath Chakraborty
90	CBA	H S Dhariwal, Col Govinder Singh, Manju, Wg Cdr Rusell, Paramjit Singh, R P Mishra
91	P K Thakurs IV	P K Thakur, M Dey, J Sarkar, S Banerjee, R Dey
92	Big Boss	Gautam Basu, Indranath Chatterjee, Chandan Chowdhury, Mihir Majumder, Nirmal Roy
93	Sunpar	



# RESULTS AFTER ROUND 5 - SILVER

RANK	TEAM	VPS	RANK	TEAM	VPS
1	Pradeep	76.26	47	Shiva	48.91
2	Amol	73.03	49	TBA	48.65
3	Senior Citizens	72.84	50	TAD	48.41
4	Rajputana	72.33	51	Team Mukesh	48.25
5	Spartans	71.22	52	SKD1955	47.26
6	A. K. Bose	68.79	53	Midnapur Card Club	46.92
7	Kamales Gupta	67.3	54	Bhamidipati	46.59
8	SBDVI	66.13	55	CFCO	46.36
9	Sunpar	64.72	56	Hooghly Bridge Circle	46.02
10	Manzova Casual	64.07	57	Anant	45.98
11	Borivali Sports Club	64.03	58	Kumar Properties Ltd Pune	45.96
12	PBA	63.65	59	Surprise	44.88
13	Big Boss	63.14	60	Jhontus IV	44.56
14	Six-Pack	63.03	61	Constellation	44.08
15	DM4	62.09	62	Smash	43.9
16	Dr Sanghi	61.88	63	Indian Oil	43.81
17	Villagers	61.73	64	Singur Bridge Club	43.79
18	Bagchi's IV	61.57	65	Skipper	43.47
19	Target	61.51	66	UP-Bihar	43.04
20	Rahara Card Club	61.31	67	Sathe's 4	42.68
21	Indian Chain	60.98	68	Green Top	41.77
22	Spade Ace	59.66	69	Marbles	41.31
23	Soumitra	59.38	70	Secure	41.3
24	Multi	59.18	71	Jai Ganesh	40.98
25	Atanu	57.94	72	Assam Blues	40.33
26	Yogakshem	57.51	73	Nuts & Bolts	39.88
27	Team Vibrant	57.5	74	Nagbagan Card Club	39.57
28	Rainbow	57.28	75	Navamita	39.25
29	Xirode	57.23	76	ABCD Hooghly	39.22
30	Atha Group B	56.15	77	Engineers	39.21
31	CBA	55.65	78	PCBA	38.65
32	Kishan IV	55.64	79	Indradhanush	37.92
33	ICA	55.6	80	Asansol Card Club	37.72
34	Arup Banerjees VI	55.52	81	BCDA	37.32
35	Filmnagar Cul. Centre Hyd.	54.33	82	Kosmos	36.58
36	Gentlemen	54.19	83	PMDBA	35.78
37	Gupta's Bangalore	54.1	84	Thakurs Special	33.88
38	Baruipur Bridge Club	52.74	85	A. K. Dhara IV	33.44
39	Lotus	52.32	86	Forcing	31.6
40	Hakuna matata	51.4	87	Balaji	31.49
41	Inter-finesse	51.26	88	Ushakiran	29.15
42	GEMS of UP	51.23	89	P K Thakurs IV	28.97
43	Bankura Club	51.17	90	TWEM	28.7
44	Finesse	50.86	91	Intercity	26.88
45	Jupiter Hyd	50.84	92	Atha Group	26.21
46	A R Das's IV	50.33	93	Rajasthan Royal	23.9
47	Vidarbha	48.91			

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### NO MOBILE PHONES



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THEY WILL BE RANDOM CHECKS & STRICT IMPLEMENTATION OF PENALTIES**

## STRICTLY NO SMOKING IN THE PLAYING AREA

### STRICT PENALTIES WILL BE IMPOSED



**In case emergency :**  
**Designated smoking areas**  
1. Exit Door (Opposite Gold Open Room)  
2. Exit Door (Opposite Silver Closed Room)  
**Statutory Warning :** Neither the Bulletin Editor nor the Organisers support or encourage smoking.

## IMPORTANT - MP PAIRS ENTRY

Please note that the Entry for Match Point Pairs event, which commences tomorrow morning, **will close today at 8 PM. No entry will be taken tomorrow.** All participants are requested to kindly adhere to the entry timings. Also remember that those who have qualified to the Last-16 stage of Gold / Silver Team event, and plan to participate in MP Pair event will also have to give their entries today only. They will not be seeded to the next elimination round of MP Pairs, if the entry is not received by today. It may also be noted that those who reach the Semi-final stage of team event will be returned their MP Pairs entry fee, as they can't participate in the event.

## HELP THE DAILY BULLETIN EDITOR

In case you come across any interesting hand - be it Bidding, Defense or Play of a Hand, please submit it to the Bulletin Editor in the Bulletin Room on the first floor (Adjacent to Vu-graph theatre). You may also send across any interesting bridge or non bridge related episode, and share the experiences with the rest of the bridge fraternity, adding to the pleasure of those present and others who could not make it here. Thanks a lot in advance. **You can also Call or Whatsapp : +91 98210 74808 (Bulletin Room)**

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## TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

<b>Sep 13 SWISS LEAGUE FOR TEAM OF FOUR GOLD &amp; SILVER EVENTS CONTINUES</b>		
	1000 – 1130 Hrs.	T-4, Round – 6 (10 Boards)
	1145 – 1315 Hrs.	T-4, Round – 7 (10 Boards)
	1315 – 1430 Hrs.	Lunch Break
	1430 – 1600 Hrs.	T-4, Round – 8 (10 Boards)
	1615 – 1745 Hrs.	T-4, Round – 9 (10 Boards)
	1745 – 1815 Hrs.	Tea Break
	1815 – 1945 Hrs.	T-4, Round – 10 (10 Boards)
		(TOP 16 Teams to qualify for Pre-QF Knock-out)
<b>Sep 14 TEAM OF FOUR GOLD &amp; SILVER EVENT – KO Pre-QF (4 * 14 Boards)</b>		
	1000 – 1200 Hrs.	Session – 1
	1215 – 1415 Hrs.	Session – 2
	1415 – 1515 Hrs.	Lunch Break
	1515 – 1715 Hrs.	Session – 3
	1715 – 1745 Hrs.	Tea Break
	1745 – 1945 Hrs.	Session – 4
<b>OPEN MP PAIRS – ELIMINATION – 1 (3 Sessions of 18 Boards each)</b>		
	1030 – 1300 Hrs.	Pair Elimination – I, Session I
	1300 – 1400 Hrs.	Lunch Break
	1400 – 1630 Hrs.	Pair Elimination – I, Session II
	1630 – 1700 Hrs.	Tea Break
	1700 – 1930 Hrs.	Pair Elimination – I, Session III
	1630 – 1700 Hrs.	Tea Break
	1700 – 1930 Hrs.	Pair Elimination – I, Session III
<b>Sep 15 TEAM OF FOUR GOLD &amp; SILVER EVENT – KO QF (4 * 14 Boards)</b>		
	1000 – 1200 Hrs.	Session – 1
	1215 – 1415 Hrs.	Session – 2
	1415 – 1515 Hrs.	Lunch Break
	1515 – 1715 Hrs.	Session – 3
	1715 – 1745 Hrs.	Tea Break
	1745 – 1945 Hrs.	Session – 4
<b>OPEN MP PAIRS – ELIMINATION – 2 (3 Sessions of 18 Boards each)</b>		
	1030 – 1300 Hrs.	Pair Elimination – 2, Session I
	1300 – 1400 Hrs.	Lunch Break
	1400 – 1630 Hrs.	Pair Elimination – 2, Session II
	1630 – 1700 Hrs.	Tea Break
	1700 – 1930 Hrs.	Pair Elimination – 3, Session III
<b>SWISS PAIRS EVENT – (8 rounds of 6 boards each)</b>		
	1045 – 1330 Hrs.	Round 1 to Round 3
	1330 – 1430 Hrs.	Lunch Break
	1430 – 1715 Hrs.	Round 4 to Round 6
	1715 – 1745 Hrs.	Tea Break
	1745 – 1930 Hrs.	Round 7 to Round 8
	2000 Hrs. Onwards	Cocktails & Dinner (Hosted by HCL)

### BBO SCHEDULE FOR WEDNESDAY SEP 13, 2017

<b>10.00 Hrs:</b>	<b>T-4 GOLD, Swiss League</b>	<b>R-6 (4 Tables)</b>
<b>11.45 Hrs:</b>	<b>T-4 GOLD, Swiss League</b>	<b>R-7 (4 Tables)</b>
<b>14.30 Hrs:</b>	<b>T-4 GOLD, Swiss League</b>	<b>R-8 (4 Tables)</b>
<b>16.15 Hrs:</b>	<b>T-4 GOLD, Swiss League</b>	<b>R-9 (4 Tables)</b>
<b>18.15 Hrs:</b>	<b>T-4 GOLD, Swiss League</b>	<b>R-10 (4 Tables)</b>

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