

🏏 IMC Over-50s World Cup 2025 🏏



India Secures Plate Final Victory in Sri Lanka

MUMBAI, INDIA – February 25, 2025 – The International Masters Cricket (IMC) Over-50s World Cup concluded a rigorous two-week schedule, with Pakistan defeating Sri Lanka by 6 wickets in the Final. The tournament, hosted in **Sri Lanka** from **February 7 to February 24, 2025**, brought together **14 veteran national teams**, including India, Pakistan, Australia, England, South Africa, and West Indies, to compete in a total of 56 matches, highlighting the enduring passion and competitive spirit of master's cricket.

India's Competitive Performance

The Indian squad, led by Captain **Pawan Malik**, showcased a strong competitive spirit against global rivals. Their league campaign in Group B saw them achieve a respectable record of **Four Wins and three losses**, accumulating **8 points** with a Net Run Rate (NRR) of **1.006**, placing them mid-table in their group.

The team's primary achievement came in the Plate competition. Displaying resilience and skill, the **Indian Over-50s team Defeated Wales (O50) by 11 Runs** in the **Plate Final** on February 22. This victory underscored the commitment of the players to represent the nation successfully on the international master's stage.

"The opportunity to don the national colours and compete against the world's best veteran teams was an incredible moment for every player," commented a VCI representative. "Our Plate Final victory is a testament to their hard work and dedication. This tournament not only rekindled old rivalries but reaffirmed the deep camaraderie that defines this level of the game."

The Indian Squad

The 17-member squad representing Veterans Cricket India (VCI) was: **Pawan Malik (Captain), Dinesh Sharma, Fakir Dungaria, Iqbal Khan, Krishna Rajgopalan, Mandar Phadke, Murugan Mayilswamy, Nagesh Singh, Abhijit Ganguly, Ravinder Bhandari, Rodney Charles, Sadik Shaikh, Sandeep Shinde, Sohail Masood, Sukumar Ramanujam, Velu Thangavelu, and Vinayak Samant.**

India's Matches

Date	Fixture	Match Scorecard	Summary	Venue
09-Feb-25	India (O50) vs Australia (O50)	IND 191/7 (45)-AUS 194/7 (44)	Australia (O50) Won by 3 Wickets	P Sara Oval, Colombo
10-Feb-25	West Indies (O50) vs India (O50)	IND 165/4 (31.5)-WI 164/8 (45)	India (O50) Won by 6 Wickets	CCC Ground, Colombo
12-Feb-25	Wales (O50) vs India (O50)	IND 212/9 (45)-Wales 217/7 (45)	Wales (O50) Won by 5 Runs	Colts Ground, Colombo
13-Feb-25	Canada (O50) vs India (O50)	IND 254/2 (35.3)-CAN 251/5 (45)	India (O50) Won by 8 Wickets	Pujitha Uduwana Cricket Ground, Horana
15-Feb-25	India (O50) vs South Africa (O50)	IND 318/7 (45)-SA 162/10 (29.1)	India (O50) Won by 156 Runs	D S Senanayake Ground, Colombo
18-Feb-25	Pakistan (O50) vs India (O50)	IND 225/10 (39)-PAK 226/10 (44.3)	Pakistan (O50) Won by 1 Run	Pujitha Uduwana Cricket Ground, Horana
20-Feb-25	India (O50) vs New Zealand (O50)	IND 263/9 (45)-NZ 125/10 (29.1)	India (O50) Won by 138 Runs	FTZ Grounds, Katunayake
22-Feb-25	India (O50) vs Wales (O50)	IND 299/5 (45)-Wales 288/7 (45)	India (O50) Won by 11 Runs	MCA Ground, Colombo

About Veterans Cricket India (VCI)

Veterans Cricket India (VCI) is the leading organization dedicated to promoting, organizing, and developing structured cricket for players aged (40s,50s,60s & 70s) and above in India, facilitating both domestic and international competition.

