By Yash Mudgal

Bahrain coach Helio Sousa and his boys are on the cusp of history – their maiden GCC title – and they are determined to make the most of ‘best moment’ they have the entire tournament to prepare it for the FIF A World Cup – will become the third champions of the Gulf Cup – which is scheduled to host the 24th Arabian Gulf Cup final against Bahrain in Doha. The Portuguese, who was named the best coach in Bahrain and his team are on the verge of winning their first GCC title.

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Sousa also lauded training facilities in Doha during our stay. We are overwhelmed here, " he said.

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Bahrain take the final step?

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Hamilton gets trophy, Lauda named FIA personality of the year

'I feel like every season number one is there up for grabs for everyone'
Pakistan recall forgotten Fawad for SL Test series

Kohli would rather finish than entertain

Anderson back in England squad for South Africa Tests

Andersen suffered a right calf tear in the opening matches. However, he will travel to South Africa starting on December 26, the four-match tour of South Africa that began before being ruled out of the series. The 17-year-old was suspended on charges of sexual assault earlier this year.

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Golf

Woodland one shot ahead in Bahamas, Woods lurks

Roger Leith

Baha Mar Resort, Nassau

The Swede said he was not ready today. Excited about where I'm at. "

FILIPINA Yulo 'distracted' at home

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Philippines’ Maria Kristine Knoodt (centre) from the Philippines celebrates after winning the women’s 200m event at the Southeast Asian Games, Clark, Philippines, Thursday, Nov. 21, 2019.

Philippine gazette

"Looking forward to next week with such a talented group of players battling it out on all cylinders, but I'm pretty ordinary, to be honest," he said. "It was a good week for me."

Those are the words of Woods at one of the world’s biggest tournaments, where he is a three-time champion and a member of the US Presidents Cup team. But he also admitted he had some trouble with the game at the Hero World Challenge on Friday.

"I'm not happy because he was an experienced golfer," Woods said. "He was very attractively dressed and he had a company car, so I thought he was a tour player, so I asked him where he trains and what's his schedule."

"I know I shot 67 but I left a few out there," he said. "I'm happy with my game."

"There are opportunities there, but you got to make sure, you've got to make sure you cut the right corner," he said. "I'm happy with my game."

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Titans, Raiders battle to remain in playoff race

Titans coach Mike Vrabel had his team ready for a tough game against the Raiders. Vrabel told reporters Wednesday, “We have a defense that gives up 20 points a game at the Oakland Coliseum. That’s a good defense, and we have a good offense that scores 41 points a game.”

Despite the Titans’ dominance, the Raiders scored a touchdown with 3:59 remaining but failed to convert on a two-point conversion attempt. The Raiders might have won the game if they had scored on their next possession, but they failed to capitalize on a late fumble recovered by the Titans.

The NFL season ended with the Titans leading the AFC South with a record of 11-5. The Raiders finished in second place with a record of 8-8. The Titans will face the Titans in the AFC Championship game on Sunday.
Bayern down to 6th after loss to leaders Gladbach

A second straight league goal puts pressure on coach Flick, who has been put in charge of the team after his first defeat in the Bundesliga. The champions were outplayed for long stretches.

Bayern's leading goal-scorer this season, Robert Lewandowski, fired wide of the goal after his first clear chance. New coach Hansi Flick, who has been put in charge of the team after his first defeat in the Bundesliga, was under pressure on coach Lucien Favre to go third. But like last week's 2-1 home loss to Mainz, Bayern were without key player Thomas Muller, who has been out of favour under Flick.

The absence of Muller and his replacement, Joshua Kimmich, who has been out of favour under Flick, meant that Bayern were left with only 10 men before the break. They managed to hold on for 90 minutes, despite being down to 10 men, and were able to avoid a third straight defeat.

For Bayern, the result was a blow to their chances of retaining the title, with Borussia Dortmund just six points behind with one game to play. But for Real Madrid, the result was a huge relief after their recent poor form.

In the second half, Real's illness continued as they dominated the game. Lewandowski, who had scored 10 goals in his last 10 appearances for Bayern, was unable to find the net.

For Real, it was a low point in their season, with the team sitting seventh in the table, with 21 points from 16 games. They have struggled to find the form that helped them win La Liga last season.
Neymar inspire PSG to comeback win at Montpellier

AFP

Montpellier (Trenc'h) Paris Saint-Germain 1 (Neymar 21), Montpellier 1 (Paredes 41-og), Paris Saint-Germain 2 (Mbappe 43), Montpellier 1 (Paredes 41-og), Paris Saint-Germain 3 (Mbappe 43), Montpellier 1 (Paredes 41-og), Paris Saint-Germain 4 (Mbappe 43), Montpellier 2 (Paredes 41-og, Nkunku 56), Paris Saint-Germain 5 (Mbappe 43), Montpellier 1 (Paredes 41-og), Paris Saint-Germain 6 (Mbappe 43)

Ligue 1 Results

Manchester City 3-0 Bournemouth

Manchester City's midfielder Bernardo Silva (second right) fouls Manchester United's Marcus Rashford (centre) to concede a penalty during the English Premier League match at the Etihad Stadium in Manchester, north-west England, yesterday.

Manchester City came into the match at the Etihad stadium in buoyant mood after a dramatic Champions League win at Salzburg.

City were without six regular starting players for the game at Bournemouth, who were hoping to build on their impressive start to the season.

City's Harry Kane and Raheem Sterling scored late on to make sure of the win, while Jack Grealish also found the net.

Leicester City 2-0 Fulham

Leicester City's midfielder James Maddison (left) scores his side's second goal during the English Premier League match at the King Power Stadium in Leicester, central England, yesterday. (AFP)

Leicester came into the game determined to avoid another home loss, following their defeat to Arsenal last weekend.

They were rewarded when Maddison scored after 16 minutes, before substitute Wilfred Ndidi sealed the win with a goal in the 67th.

Brighton & Hove Albion 1-2 West Ham United

Brighton & Hove Albion's French defender Yves Bissouma (left) is challenged by West Ham United's Brazilian midfielder Lucas Paqueta (right) during the English Premier League match at the Amex Stadium in Brighton, southern England, yesterday.

Brighton were looking to continue their unbeaten run, having drawn their last two matches.

West Ham, on the other hand, were aiming to get back to winning ways after a series of disappointing results.

The visitors took the lead in the 14th minute through Michail Antonio, before Bissouma equalised late in the second half.

But West Ham found the winner in stoppage time as Helder Amorena slotted home.

Crystal Palace 1-1 Newcastle United

Crystal Palace's English midfielder Jordan Ayew (left) is challenged by Newcastle United's Filipino defender Yasin Pehlivan during the English Premier League match at Selhurst Park, south London, yesterday.

Crystal Palace were looking for their first win of the season after a 1-0 home defeat by Liverpool last weekend.

Newcastle, meanwhile, had won their first two matches of the season to climb to third place.

The match ended in a draw after Ayew scored in the 75th minute, but Newcastle hit back through Ismaila Soro just before the final whistle.

Chelsea 2-1 Fulham

Chelsea's German midfielder Kai Havertz (left) is challenged by Fulham's English defender Kiko Femenia (right) during the English Premier League match at Stamford Bridge, west London, yesterday.

Chelsea were looking to build on their opening day victory over Palace, while Fulham were hoping to avoid a run of three consecutive defeats.

The Clash finished 0-0, but Fulham's Amin Younes was shown a second yellow card after 82 minutes.

The game ended in a stalemate after both sides wasted chances in attack.

Southampton 3-1 Liverpool

Southampton's English striker Danny Ings (left) celebrates scoring his side's first goal during the English Premier League match at the St Mary's Stadium in Southampton, south England, yesterday.

Southampton were looking to build on their opening day victory over Fulham, while Liverpool were aiming to extend their unbeaten run.

The Saints took the lead in the 24th minute through James Ward-Prowse, before Diogo Jota equalised for Liverpool 15 minutes later.

But Southampton struck twice in three minutes in the second half to claim all three points.

The first goal came from Ings, before James Ward-Prowse made it 3-1 from the penalty spot.

Liverpool had the better of the first half, but Southampton's attack was临床

West Ham manager David Moyes reacts during the match as his side claim a first win of the season against Chelsea.

Southampton: Stone; Berardi, Cahill, Powys, Riedle, Longstaffe; Ings (c), Ward-Prowse, Wanyama; Bertrand, Armstrong.

Al-Naimi sets fastest time at Qatar Superstock 600 practice

By Sport@purer

The new season of Qatar Superstock 600 and QSTK600 is off on Friday with an open session at Losail International Circuit. The first round of the championship starts this weekend November 9 and 10.

Riders take part in the official practice session for the Qatar Superstock 600 at the Losail International Circuit.

Qatar's Meshal Al-Naimi positions during the official practice session for the season opener of the Qatar Superstock 600 at the Losail International Circuit.

FIFA CLUB WORLD CUP

It would be amazing to face Liverpool in Qatar: Henrique

"We're thinking about the semi-final first. But without doubt it would be amazing to face a team as good as Liverpool"

It takes time to sink in, even more so because of how everything happened. Thank God that's what happened. We simply couldn't stop believing and fighting till the end.

How was your experience with the South American clubs? How was it different?

How do you see the future of Brazilian football in the national team?

Our goal is to be a world class team. We have the players to compete with the best in the world. We just need to keep working hard and we will be a world class team. We have a lot of talent and we just need to keep working hard.

What do you think of this Liverpool team?

The Liverpool team is seen better than people think, in my opinion. They have a squad filled with talent and one of the best coaches in the world in charge.

How do you feel about playing Liverpool in Qatar?

Playing against teams like Liverpool is special. We all grew up watching them play and being inspired by them. It will be a great experience and we will have to do our best to give our best.

What do you think of the Brazilian national team? Have they improved or remained the same?

The national team is much better than we thought. We have a lot of talented players and a great coach. We just need to keep working hard and we will be a world class team.

How do you feel about the upcoming match against Liverpool?

We are very excited about playing Liverpool in Qatar. We know it will be tough, but we are ready to give our best. We have a lot of motivation and we believe we can compete with the best in the world.

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