Al Thumama Stadium to host capacity crowd for Amir Cup final

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By Sports Reporter

The Supreme Committee for Delivery & Legacy (SC) confirmed on Tuesday the readiness of Al Thumama Stadium to host, next week, a much-anticipated football match between Al Sadd and Al Rayyan.

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 Jamal al-Ansari, Assistant Manager of the Safety and Security Committee (SC) of the LOC, yesterday underlined on Tuesday the readiness of Al Thumama Stadium to host the final match of the Amir Cup.

He said: “We remain fully prepared to receive players and the technical and medical teams of both teams. We are also fully prepared to receive fans and spectators.

During the tour, chief of Tournament Operations, Maj Abdullah Al-Mawlawi, and Al Thumama Stadium project engineer Mohamed Al-Nuaimi added that opening Al Thumama Stadium more than a year ahead of the World Cup Qatar 2022 reflects the extent of Qatar’s commitment to the timetable for completing the facilities of the tournament.

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Al-Mawlawi invited all sports fans in Qatar, Arab states, and the world to come to Doha to enjoy the seventh edition of the Amir Cup.

He said: “Al Thumama Stadium is a smart stadium with the best preparations of the LOC and the Supreme Committee for Delivery & Legacy, which aims to host the Amir Cup final.

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Al-Ansari said that the LOC will conduct the Amir Cup final smoothly. There will be parking lots and overbridges for fans and many other arrangements. „Our teams will be ready during the final for smooth activities,” he said.

The first closure will be from 8am on October 20 and the second closure will be from 8am on October 22.

While leaving about safety arrangements, Al-Ansari said fans are prohibited from bringing stuff like glass bottles, chargers and flammable material inside the stadium. “I would like to request fans to reach the stadium early to avoid inconvenience,” he said.

The stadium will be closed two times, with alternate arrangements around.

He also added that the Amir Cup final will be broadcasted live from the stadium gate on matchday.

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SC affirms readiness of Al Thumama Stadium to host Amir Cup final

The LOC on Tuesday announced that the Amir Cup final will be played on October 22 between Al Sadd and Al Rayyan, marking the inauguration of the stadium that will host some of the matches of FIFA Arab Cup 2021 and FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022.

Al Thumama Stadium opened its doors on Tuesday evening for a large gathering of local media officials, as the LOC accompanied the media as an exploratory tour of all the facilities of the stadium.

During the tour, chief of Tournament Experience at SC Khalid Al-Masoud, and Al Thumama Stadium project engineer Mohamed Khalifa Al-Abdullah revealed all the preparations to host the final match of the Amir Cup.

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FOCUS

Morgan and Kohli target T20 World Cup title

In this file photo taken on March 31, 2016, India’s Virat Kohli celebrates after taking the wicket by players, the country’s cricket board

BOTTOMLINE

Australian women cricketers get pay rise but ‘big gap’ remains

In total, the new pack-

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Indonesia’s T20 World Cup squad

The tournament was c"h"cked once. Kohli’s e"n", but will he try to the team’s dynamics along with the right her judges? Kohli. He added, on the other hand, the former India captain also said he will try to bring in the right balance for the side.

India added paceman Thakur to T20 World Cup squad, Patel in reserves

India added pace bowler Shardul Thakur to their Twenty20 World Cup squad while off-spinner Axar Patel dropped out of the 15-man squad to face the West Indies on Thursday.

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Delhi Capitals followed brilliantly to restrict Delhi’s normally aggressive batting line-up.

But Chakravarty who gave away eight runs off two balls, was bowled by Shivam Mari and Delhi batters.

This lower order pulled it back, but it’s unfortunate that it happened in the end. If Kolkata had lost off three, four wickets off and the team would’ve done 31 runs in the last two overs. It was a good powerplay but after that, we got stuck and didn’t go our way.

Gulbadin Naib (13) and Tripathi (13) man-

Given the fact of their last seven games, Kolkata put on an extraordinary performance in the second half of the IPL – switched to the United Arab Emirates as contingency – to make it to the final. Morgan said: “A real insight into how our team bat and how we have to try to express ourselves and a real vision around the squad going forward.”

BRIEF SCORES

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Kohli’s performance, the Indian cricket board, the BCCI, has come under major scrutiny after the governing body stood behind 85% of its staff and tried to run through resigning in to state that the “reduction in pay” was not an independent decision. Victoria removed him as its president, and Queensland withdrew their support after a meeting on Tuesday, dealing a terminal blow to the former chairman’s re-election.

The United States Soccer Federation said it would prove “disastrous” for the game.

The announcement by former CEO Kevin Roberts but endorsed by the board, was a consequence of the sex and the players’ unions, which said they would “disown” Roberts’ replacement. Morgan’s team will be, without doubt, Rohit and Jofra Archer, who played a part in India’s one-day World Cup triumph.

When you properly invest in the shorter formats in the shorter formats it shows in the longer formats as well.” Saunders added.

The tournament was switched from India to the United Arab Emirates after the coronavirus pandemic.
TENNIS

The Williams family, one of the most iconic and successful families in tennis, have been at the forefront of women's tennis for decades. Sisters Venus and Serena Williams have not just been on the court leading the charge, but also in the off-court influence, breaking barriers, and setting new standards for what it means to be a tennis pro.

The Williams sisters have been making waves in the sport for over two decades. From their early days in Compton, California, to their current status as global superstars, the sisters have inspired generations of women around the world. Their dynamic on-court performances and their off-court activism have made them role models for young girls aspiring to achieve their dreams in sports and beyond.

During a recent interview, Venus Williams shared insights into her approach to the game and how she sees the future of tennis. She spoke about the importance of mental strength and resilience in competing at the highest level and the role that training and preparation play in staying competitive.

Williams has been a vocal advocate for diversity and inclusion in tennis. She has worked with organizations such as the Women's Tennis Association (WTA) to promote gender equality and has been a strong voice in the fight against racism and social injustice. Her commitment to giving back to the community has also been a hallmark of her career, with her Annual Global Philanthropy Initiative supporting various causes across the globe.

In recent years, Williams has also been a pioneer in the sport of wheelchair tennis. She has been a key figure in the sport, inspiring others to take up the sport and compete at the highest level. She has been a four-time Paralympic Games gold medalist, winning the women's singles, women's doubles, and mixed doubles titles.

Her achievements on the court have been matched by her contributions off the court. Williams has been a vocal advocate for mental health awareness, using her platform to raise awareness about the importance of mental health and the need for greater resources and support for those struggling with mental health issues.

As Williams embarks on her 10th year in the number one position, her legacy within the sport continues to grow. Her determination, resilience, and commitment to excellence serve as an inspiration to all who follow in her footsteps.

Overall, Venus Williams's impact on the sport of tennis has been immeasurable. From her on-court performances to her off-court advocacy, she has left a lasting legacy that will continue to inspire generations to come.
It has been an amazing car and we've won a lot of races with it including the 2019 Dakar Rally.