Excitement builds for FIFA Arab Cup as squads confirmed

A total of 368 players are expected to take part in the competition with some big names called up to compete in Qatar

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Doha to host Diamond League
2022 opener on May 13

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Doha will host the season-opening meet of the Diamond League on May 13, the series’ first leg in the Qatari capital. The Diamond League will reach across its five continents on four different continents

There and when players are expected to pick up enough points on the road to the final will then lead to Zurich, where the 32-week meeting schedule will come to an end at a two-day season final on September 7-8.

Championships when the series arrives in Eugene on May 28.

The best will face each other in Eugene for the first time since 2015, with the final set for September 7-8, with the best four to have a place in Zurich.

After the season opener in Doha on May 13 and a trip to Birmingham or London, athletes will have the chance to test out the best venue

for the 2022 World Athletics Championships in Eugene.

Asian Beach Volleyball Championships

Younousse-Ahmed cruise into quarters

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Qatar's Cherif Younousse (right) and Tijan Ahmed celebrate after their win over Japan's Iker Tuteo in the Asian Beach Volleyball Championships in Phuket, Thailand, yesterday.

Omar al-Joma’a and Renas Al-Ibrahim of Kuwait.

Indian will compete with a team mostly composed of local-based players, mainly from giant Al-Ahli and Al-Nahda Club, with the exception of Smouha’s Athar Al-Dahab and striker Yousef Borkan who has his trade in Greece.

Fans will have a chance to watch all these great players and many other rising stars as tickets for every FIFA Arab Cup match are still available from fi fa.com/tickets.

Ticket availability:

A number of Category 4 tickets for Qatar residents only remain available for all matches except the semi-finals and final.

All ticket holders must apply for a mandatory Hayya Card (Ryan ID) from 1 Nov.
Sri Lanka thrash West Indies as Embuldeniya stars

Galle, Sri Lanka made quick work of the West Indies this morning. "It was a nervous start but I gained confidence - the more I batted, the better I felt," said skipper Karunaratne. 

Karunaratne said, "I was worried leading into the match but I think we handled the pressure well. It's a great feeling to be able to win this Test match," he said. "I know I want to make the most of this opportunity and take on the challenge." 

In the first innings, West Indies were bowled out for 230 in 70 overs. "We have worked on our batting and have been successful," said captain Inzamam-ul-Haq. "We will continue to work hard and improve." 

Sri Lanka made 386 in their first innings, with Embuldeniya taking 10 wickets. "It was a great day for all of us," said Embuldeniya. "We worked hard and were motivated by the team." 

The second innings was dominated by the West Indies. "They played well and we should have bowled them out," said Karunaratne. "But we will learn from this and improve." 

India is the top team in the world and will be looking to win this Test series. "We have to be ready for anything," said Karunaratne. "We will work hard and give our best."
Maradona is dead, long live Maradona! World honours "Golden Kid"

The world yesterday marked the one-year anniversary of the death of Diego Maradona. A statue of the iconic Argentine late footballer Diego Maradona is buried, on the first anniversary of his death, in Bella Vista, Buenos Aires province, Argentina, yesterday (AFP).

Maradona died of a heart attack last year November aged 60, weeks after his liver, kidney and cardiovascular predictions and was suffering from "deficiencies and irregularities in his liver" or "deficiencies and irregularities" opened after two of his five children opened after two of his five children.

Josoor Institute for Leaders Meet: José Díaz-Balart joined with "deficiencies and irregularities" opened after two of his five children.

"He is perhaps remembered almost as much of an icon as in the Arab world for capacity building and bringing together youths from the Arab world for capacity building and bringing together youths from the Arab world for capacity building and bringing together youths from the Arab world for capacity building and bringing together youths from the Arab world for capacity building and bringing together youths from the Arab world for capacity building and bringing together youths from the Arab world for capacity building and bringing together youths from the Arab world for capacity building and bringing together youths from the Arab world for capacity building and bringing together youths from the Arab world for capacity building and bringing together youths from the Arab world for capacity building and bringing together youths from the Arab world for capacity building and bringing together youths from the Arab world for capacity building and bringing together youths from the Arab world for 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**Man United close on Rangnick as interim boss; reports**

**London**

Ralf Rangnick is close to becoming a long-term successor to interim Manchester United manager Ole Gunnar Solskjaer, who was appointed on a short-term contract following the team’s 6-0 defeat at the hands of Liverpool at Old Trafford on Saturday. The Athletic reported that Rangnick, the former RB Leipzig manager, had reached an agreement with United to take over, saying the agreement was subject to negotiations being finalised. The deal, worth £5 million, could be enhanced to £10 million, should United qualify for the Champions League. Rangnick is expected to be named as temporary manager of the club on Monday, with a view to a permanent appointment at the end of the season. He will then take charge of the team in January.

**Tuchel: Germany not World Cup dark horse**

Thomas Tuchel praised the performance of his side’s goalkeeper, Kasper Schmeichel, in their win over Leipzig. Leipzig were one of the club’s most challenging opponents, Tuchel said, and Schmeichel’s performance was key to their success. Schmeichel was called into action several times throughout the match to keep the scoreline at 1-0. Tuchel also highlighted the importance of discipline in defence, as Leipzig had a number of chances to score earlier in the game. The victory extended Leipzig’s winning run to five matches and moved them up to fourth place in the Bundesliga, now just four points behind Bayern Munich in second place.

**Awards**

The national football teams of Qatar and Argentina are set to play in the Doha 2021, which kicks off at the Lusail International Stadium on November 21. The match is part of the Strategic Framework of Co-operation between the two countries. This is the second time the two sides have faced each other, with Argentina emerging victorious in the first meeting. The recent friendly was hosted in March this year, with Argentina winning 2-0. The upcoming match in Doha will be a significant test for both teams, as they aim to impress fans and get a better understanding of each other’s strengths.

**2022 calendar**

The 2022 football calendar has been announced, with the Asian Games scheduled for July 2022. The Games will feature a number of football matches, including the men’s and women’s tournaments. The women’s tournament is scheduled for August, with the men’s tournament taking place in September. The Asian Games are an important event in the football calendar, with many of the best teams in the world competing for medals.

**Exhibition**

The Qatar Football Association is working with the Asian Football Confederation (AFC) to organise an exhibition match in Qatar. The match will feature a selection of players from the AFC’s member associations, with the aim of promoting football and bringing together fans from across the continent. The exhibition match is scheduled for November 10, with tickets available from the Qatar Football Association’s website.

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