

## Amir the first Arab athlete in SBG

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Ahmed Amir becomes the first ever Arab athlete to train under the tutelage of Head Coach John Kavanagh of Straight Blast Gym (SBG) Ireland which also trains Conor McGregor.

The Lightweight fighter from Egypt is currently in Ireland training for his appearance in Brazil. Amir is preparing to face Cleiton Silva in the eleventh edition of Brave Combat Federation hosted in Brazil. Never been submitted or knocked out in his 14 fight long career, Cleiton Silva poses a massive threat to Ahmed Amir.

Adding to that Clieton will have the advantage of the support from his hometown fans at Belo Horizonte, Brazil.

This also marks for the first time Amir will be fighting in a territory other than the Middle East.

With overwhelming odds in support of Cleiton SIIva, Amir have to overcome fighting in opposing territory, adapt to the new weather and finally the more experienced fight who has never been submitted or knocked out.

"It is an honour to train under John



Ahmed Amir

Kavanagh, whom I respect a lot. I carry the responsibility of representing Mixed Martial Arts in Middle East. Odds may be against me but I am here to give my best fight. All fighters I fought against are great and respectable but I wanted the victory more than anyone because I was hungry to become the best. I will train my best and will go for nothing but victory against my opponent," said Amir.

## Bahrain to join Arab e-games federation

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Supreme Council for Youth and Sports assistant general secretary and Bahrain Olympic Committee (BOC) general secretary Abdulrahman Askar affirmed the committee's support to e-games as per recommendations submitted by the Supreme Council for Youth and Sports to develop mind sports

This was announced following Askar meeting with representatives of the Arab Federation for e-Games, headed by its general secretary Hashim Al Taher.

Askar welcomed the visiting delegation and discussed ways of Bahrain joining the federation, and later

become a member of the Asian and International Federations.

He commended the efforts of the Arab federation in promoting and expanding e- games in the region, and stressed the BOC keenness to be involved in the federation programmes.

Meanwhile, the BOC general secretary had a meeting with Supreme Council for Youth and Sports Ali Sharafi and Bahrain Mind Sports Federation president Ali Shuwaiter and vice-president Hameed Rahma, to form an e-games committee under its umbrella.

Both sides had talks on the mechanism of activating the committee to promote e- games in the kingdom.



# Double joy for Abbas in Jordan

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KHK MMA Fighter, Mohammed Abbas has secured two gold medals for the Kingdom of Bahrain in K1 and Full Contact Kickboxing at the 9th Arab Club Championship held in Jordan.

Mohammed Abbas has secured the first gold medal in the 9th Arab Club Championship after defeating the Jordanian fighter, Amer Al-Nawaysha in the final match of the K1 Tournament.

His dominant performance also prompted him to win the gold in

kickboxing with ease sealing double gold for Bahrain from a single athlete.

Abbas Khan has also represented the Kingdom of Bahrain at the IMMAF World Championships hosted during the Brave International Combat Week.

The rising star from KHK MMA is adept in multiple disciplines of martial arts including Boxing, Jiu-Jitsu, Muay Thai, Sambo, Wrestling and Kickboxing. He had also claimed bronze medal for Bahrain under coach Eldar Eldaroy at the Combat

Sambo World Championship 2017 in Dushanbe, Tajikistan.

"It is one of the memorable moments in my life to represent the Kingdom of Bahrain across the world. To secure gold and bringing our Kingdom to the forefront makes it even more special for me. I need to thank His Highness Sheikh Khalid bin Hamad Al Khalifa for the guidance, facilities and support that makes this dream possible and for the rapid development of combat sports in the Kingdom of Bahrain.", said Abbas Khan after his victory.

### **CBA: Zeeshan heroics helps Spartans defeat Masters**

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Spartans beat Masters by 81 Pruns in the latest matches of the CBA Cricket Division D tournament.

Spartans won the toss and elected to bat first, Zeeshan scored a quick fire 135 runs in just 49 ball 11 boundaries and 12 sixes helped Spartans to put 255 runs at the end of 25 overs.

Harry and Zakir took two wickets each for Masters.

Chasing the target, Masters Sissiq scored 55 runs. Farhan took 4 wickets in his 5 over spell and Ali took 3 wickets for Spartan to windup Masters



Chandrahekaran - Bulls CC Other scores:

MNCA Arabian Oryxes 223/4 (Usman 87, Haider 56, Dhaval 53) beat Muharraq Eagles 107/10 (Wakas 42, Ansar 4/16, Usman 3/23) by 116 runs.

FOG Printing 178/9 (Anil 43, Jayakumar 40, Ruwinda 4/34) beat Alpha Fire 172/10



Nithin - BHI Matrix (Ruvin 36, Vijil 3/28) by 6 runs.

Bulls CC 200/9 (Chandrasekaran 73, Sanjay 37, Wasif 2/26) beat Magic Bubbles 119/10 (Sohail 37, Rijo2/24) by 81 runs.

BHI Matrix 153/10 (Nithin 51, Mohsin 4/26, Siddharth 4/20) beat Young Blaster 60/10



Usman - MNCA (Rishabh 12, Priyesh 6/17) by 93 runs.

Indian Super Kings 98/9 in 18.2 overs (Ashwini 38, Ali 33/16) beat Modest XI 97/10 (Rahul 27, Ashwini 3/22) by

Asma CC 188/5 in 22 overs (Musaib 73, Tauseef 29) beat Hempel Paints 187/5 (Vijay



Zain - Azeem CC 72, Rehman 37) by 5 wickets.

Azeem CC 215/8 (Zain 52, Nafee 31, Sagar 2/37) beat Karnataka Strikers 74/10 (Arun 15, Nafees 0/3) by 141

#### **Division C:**

LuLu 154/5 in 25 overs (Pradeep 93, Akhil 2/20) beat Pak Hawks 103/10 (Qamar 20,



Zeeshan - Spartans Ajesh 3/21) by 51 runs.

Kerala XI 150/10 (Vinod 34, Deepak 3/29) beat Falcon 141/10 (Jijo 30, Athul 3/14) by 9 runs.

Panthers CC 160/5 (Hamza 44, Ihsan 2/33) beat Bassali Tigers 149/10 (Waqas 45, Mehran 4/20) by 11 runs.