



Mohit & Prerna move to the Quarter Finals of the Fenesta Open National Tennis Championship

4th October, 2017: Mohit Mayur Jayaprakash preserved his best for the tie-breaks as he dug into his reserves and outshone Delhi's Kunal Anand 7-6, (9/7), 7-6 (6/4) to advance in the men's singles of the Fenesta Open National Tennis Championship on Wednesday.

On a warm day, Mohit enjoyed the dust and conditions as he played solid tennis from the baseline to oust the third seed in a clinical manner.

Tie-breaks are a test of character and on this day Mohit served as well as he needed to for a well-deserved win.

"It was a tough match. In the first set I came back with a tie-break and the second set I was down 2-5 but then I fought back and won 7-6. In my last match with him I had lost, but today I am happy to have moved into the quarter finals," said an elated Mohit.

Seed 2 Bava Haddin also had to play focussed tennis in the pre-quarter final against Jayesh Pungliya. Bava beat the Maharashtra player 7-5, 6-4.

"I held my nerves and I think it was more about the right decision-making at the right moments because the heat was getting the better of us. I also made the right decision at the right moments and was able to win the match, even though I did not play extraordinary. Jayesh was playing better I feel. I held my nerves and took the right decision that helped me in today's match," said a happy Bava.

Bengal's Nitin Kumar Sinha continued to rock and roll as he upset eighth seed Faisal Qamar with a clinical 6-3, 6-2 win. Nitin has been full of poise and in his pre-quarter final he played smoothly for a passage into the last eight.

Old warhorse Nitten Kirtane showed that at 43 he still has the competitive juices flowing in him. On Wednesday, he slammed the door on his opponent Siddhanth Banthia for a 6-2, 6-1 win.

In women's singles, young Zeel Desai was full of zeal as she showed no mercy to Haryana's Shreya Gulia. Zeel won 6-2, 6-0.

Four times National Champion Prerna Bhambri was on song she played in the zone. Prerna's 6-0, 6-0 win against Moulika P.Ram may have been very demoralising for her opponent.

"I feel great. I guess I played amazingly well today. I hope I can continue playing the same way throughout the week," said Prerna, the former champion.



Bhuvana Kalva pulled off an upset when she outplayed Delhi girl Shweta Rana, the third seed, 6-2, 6-4. This was not Shweta's day as he made too many unforced errors. For her part, this was a day when Bhuvana grabbed the chances which came her way for a passage into the last eight stage.

Results

Men's Singles

Bava Haadin [KL] (Seed 2) beats Jayesh Pungliya [MH] 7-5, 6-4; Mohit Mayur Jayaprakash [TN] upset Kunal Anand [DL] (Seed 3) 7-5; Nitin Kumar Sinha [WB] upset Faisal Qamar [RJ] (Seed 8) 6-3,6-2; Manish Sureshkumar [TN] bt Paramveer Bajwa [PB] 6-1,6-0; Suraj R Prabodh [KA] (Seed 1) bt Armaan Bhatia [MH] 6-3,6-1; Arjun Kadhe [MH] bt Hardeep Singh Sandhu [PB] 7-5,6-1; Dalwinder Singh [PB] (Seed 4) bt Naithaolin Calvin Golmie; Nitten Kirrtane [MH] (Seed 7) bt Siddhanth J. Banthia [MH] 6-2, 6-1

Womens Singles

Prinkle Singh bt Yubrani Barnerjee (Retd); Mahak Jain [MP] (Seed 5) bt Snehaddevi S. Reddy [TN] 6-2, 6-2; Zeel Desai [GJ] (Seed 1) bt Shreya Gulia [HR] 6-2, 6-0; Bhuvana Kalva [TS] upset Shweta C. Rana [DL] (Seed 3) 6-2, 6-4; Tanisha Kashyap [AS] upset Nithya Raj Babu Raj [TN] (Seed 4) 6-4, 6-1; Purna Bhambhri [DL] (Seed 6) bt Mouluka P. Ram [AP] 6-0, 6-0; Samhitha Sai Chanmarthi [TN] (Seed 2) bt Soha S [KA] 6-3, 6-1; Shaikh Humera [TS] upset Sara Yadav [MP] (Seed 8)

Boys U 18 Singles

Siddhant J. Banthia (Seed 2) bt Naitholin Calvin Golmie 6-4, 6-4; Dhruv Sunish [MH] (Seed 3) bt Madhwin Kamath [GJ] (Seed 14) 6-3,6-1; Abhimanyu Vannemreddy [KA] (Seed 4) bt Shubham Malhotra [DL] 6-0,6-0; Dev V Javia [GJ] (Seed 10) bt Mritunjay Badola [UK] 6-3,6-0; Amit Beniwal [HR] bt Rythm Malhotra [DL] 6-4,7-5; Sacchitt Sharma [DL] (Seed 7) bt Krishan Hooda [HR] 6-2,6-3; Fardeen Kumar [RJ] bt Sanket Tomar [DL] 4-6, 6-1, 7-6(1); Nitin Sinha [WB] (Seed 1) bt Nikit M Reddy [AP] 6-4, 6-1

Girls U-18 Singles

Akanksha A Bhan [GJ] (Seed 1) bt Kritika Umesh Chhabra [MH] 6-2,6-2; Tanisha Kashyap [AS] (Seed 2)bt Muskan Gupta [DL] 6-0,6-4; Vaidehi Chaudhari [GJ] (Seed 3) bt Himaanshika [CH] 6-1,6-1; Shivani Sravya C [TS] (Seed 7) bt Bhakti Bharat Parwani [GJ] (Seed 12) 6-0,6-1; Sathwika Sama [TS] (Seed 13) upset Salsa Aher [MH] (Seed 4) 6-2,6-3; Shaikh Humera [TS] (Seed 6) bt Prinkle Singh [J&K] (Seed 10) 6-1,6-2; Shivani Manjanna [KA] (Seed 5) bt Chandrika Joshi [KA] 6-4,6-2; Purna V Vichare [MH] bt Deddepya Y Sai 6-2,6-2 [TS] (Seed 9)