



Mann Maulik Shah and Kevin Mrugesh Patel Tanisha Kashyap and Prinkle Singh enter the finals of the Fenesta Junior National Championship

New Delhi, October 13, 2017: Mann Maulik Shah used his reserve energy and cool mind to shock second seed Dev V Javia 6-4, 6-2 in the under-16 semifinals of the Fenesta Open national Tennis championship on Friday.

On Saturday, Mann will take on Kevin Mrugesh Patel in the climactic final.

Mann Maulik from Gujarat realised the best way out in a crunch match was to play without any inhibition on the hard court. The youngster used an array of strokes and stuck to the basics well to tease his opponent in a short match.

"I was a little tense as I was playing the semis. We have played each other in the past, almost 23 times. Today, I gave it my best shot," said a thrilled Mann Maulik.

Kevin Mrugesh did not have much difficulty in beating sixth seed Kushan Shah 6-4, 6-2. Kevin had geared himself up well this week and his poise in the big match helped him win without any hiccup.

"It was a tough match and I gave my best am excited about making it to the finals", said Kevin

In girl's under-16, Tanisha Kashyap moved past Kaavya Sawhney 6-3, 6-2. In the final on Saturday, top seed Tanisha faces seed two Prinkle Singh.

Prinkle played a mixed game and moments of uncertainty in the match meant she needed three sets to grind out her opponent Perna Vichare 6-3, 4-6, 6-1.

On Saturday, both Prinkle and Perna will be aware staying calm in the final will separate the winner from loser aspires sure can be intense.

Tanisha said she was nervous at star at and then settled down.

"I then pumped myself up and came through. I am excited to be in the final," she said.

Prinkle felt today was a huge match. "Perna played well and she served slow balls in the second set. I came back in the third set and am really happy. I was runner-up last year and want to give it my best on Saturday and become champion," said Prinkle.

There was a major upset in the boy's under14 final as Ajay Malik showed a large heart and cunning to rock top seed Nishant Dabas 7-6. (7/4), 7-6 (7/1).



Ajay ensured he was not thinking too much about the big stage fear. His ability to hit with free swing on either flank enabled him to stay on top. Tie-breakers can be quite tricky but on this day Ajay did not err in it.

"I played well today. It was a good match and I am hoping to win the title next," said Ajay.

In the second semifinal, Krishan Hooda beat Dhruv Tangri in a humdinger. The 6-1, 6-7 (6-8), 6-4 had all the ingredient you could hope for in a nail biting finish.

"When I lost the first set, I was a bit scared. I held my nerve and then focused to win," said Hooda.

The girl's under14 final will be played between Rutuja Chaphalkar and Sandeepi Singh Rao.

The Doubles finals for all category also happened today the winners and runners up are as below:

BOYS DOUBLES 16

Rithvik Choudary Bollipalli (TS) / Dev V Javia (GJ) (Seed 1) bt Sarthak Suden (DL) / Dhruv Tangri (PB) 6-3, 6-4

GIRLS DOUBLES 16

Kaavya Sawhney (PB) (Seed 2) / Prinkle Singh (CH) bt Tanisha Kashyap (AS) / Prerna V Vichare (MH) (Seed 1) 0-6, 7-5 (10-4)

BOYS DOUBLES 14

Chirag Duhan (HR) / Kartik Saxena (DL) (Seed 1) bt Arjun A Kundu (GJ) (Seed 2) / Dhanya k Shah (GJ) 6-0, 1-6 (10-5)

GIRLS DOUBLES 14

Mushrath Anjum Shaik (TS) (Seed 2) / Srujana Rayarala (TS) bt Rutuja M Chaphalkar (MH) / Naisha Srivastav (KA) (Seed 4) 6-2, 6-1

Semi Final results Singles:

BOYS SINGLE 16

Mann Maulik Shah [GJ] upsets Dev V Javia [GJ] (Seed 2) 6-4,6-2;
Kevin Mrugesh Patel [GJ] (Seed 8) upsets Kushan Shah [GJ] (Seed 6) 6-4,6-2;

GIRLS SINGLE 16

Tanisha Kashyap [AS] (Seed 1) bt Kaavya Sawhney[PB] (Seed 6) 6-3,6-2;
Prinkle Singh [CH] (Seed 2) bt Prerna V Vichare [MH] (Seed 4) 6-3,4-6,6-1;

GIRLS SINGLE 14

Rutuja M Chaphalkar [MH] upsets Gargi Pawar[MH] (Seed 1) 6-2,6-3;
Sandeepi Singh Rao [HR] (Seed 2) bt Sudipta Senthil Kumar[MH] (Seed 3) 6-4,6-3



BOYS SINGLE 14

Krishan Hooda [HR] (Seed 3) bt Dhruv Tangri [PB] (Seed 6) 1-6,7-6(6),6-4

Ajay Malik [HR] (Seed 4) bt Nishant Dabas [DL] (Seed 1) 7-6 (4); 7-6 (1)

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