

Injury may deter Ebadot from playing Asia Cup

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Online Desk: Bangladesh pacer Ebadot Hossain has been deemed doubtful for the Asia Cup due to fitness concerns, Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) chief selector Minhajul Abedin Nannu confirmed to The Daily Star on Monday.

According to Nannu, BCB is awaiting a report due Tuesday from the physios before it can make a call on Ebadot's Asia Cup fortunes. "The physio will give us a report tomorrow since there is some concern on Ebadot's fitness. Then we will take a decision," he said.

Ebadot suffered injury to his left leg during the second ODI against Afghanistan last month and was consequently ruled out of the T20I series against the same opponents. The pacer had been undergoing rehabilitation work since the national team begun their Asia Cup camp.

The 29-year-old felt some discomfort on his left leg on Monday, and with the World Cup in sight, the BCB will most likely opt to play it safe and leave out Ebadot for the Asia Cup.

According to sources, BCB is not quite keen on naming a replacement for the 29-year-old as there are four other pacers making up the Tigers' pace unit but is considering carrying a new face to groom in which case promising pacer Tanzim Hasan Sakib, who impressed in the recently concluded Emerging Asia Cup, might make the cut.