

Afif, Naim and Taskin return to ODI squad Against Afganistan, Rony, Yasir and Mrittunjoy dropped

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Online Desk: The Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) has announced the ODI squad for Bangladesh's upcoming series against Afghanistan, scheduled to take place next month in Chattogram.

The series will commence on July 5, with the following two matches set for July 8 and 11. All matches will be day-night affairs. Tamim Iqbal will lead the team during this series, with Shakib Al Hasan also included in the squad. Both Tamim and Shakib, who have been recovering from injuries, were absent from the recently concluded Test match in Dhaka.

Opener Mohammad Naim and middle-order batsman Afif Hossain returned to the 50-over setup alongside Taskin Ahmed as they have been included in the 15-man squad for the three-match One-Day International (ODI) series against Afghanistan next month.

Naim last played an ODI in May 2021 and has not played an international match since last year's August. Afif lost his place in the side after the home ODI series against England in March. Taskin also returned to the ODI side after recovering from an injury. To make way for them, Rony Talukdar, Yasir Ali and Mrittunjoy Chowdhury, who were part of the Ireland series, have been axed.

In the solitary Test against Afghanistan, Bangladesh secured a resounding victory by a margin of 546 runs, marking their biggest win in Test cricket to date. This victory also stands as the largest margin of victory by any Test team in the last 89 years.

Bangladesh squad: Tamim Iqbal (Captain), Litton Das, Najmul Hossain Shanto, Shakib Al Hasan, Mushfiqur Rahim, Towhid Hridoy, Mehidy Hasan Miraz, Taijul Islam, Taskin Ahmed, Ebadot Hossain, Mustafizur Rahman, Hasan Mahmud, Shoriful Islam, Afif Hossain Dhrubo, Naim Sheikh