

## A Piece of Mind, For Sarcastic Mind....

In the cricket obsessed nation of ours, other sports are almost on the death bed; however, some valiant spirits have kept the torch burning, through their relentless efforts. Even a cricket fanatic, like me, can't deny the naked truth that other sports have been overlooked, since many decades. It's only after the four years of hibernation, we wake up with expectations, with the onset of Olympics, to realise that other sports do exist.

And, suddenly, each one of us turns into a pro-speaker of activities and events, in Olympics. The ugly face of sarcasm, once again comes to surface, with Olympics, reigning in the minds. From celebrities to the common man, many, who had never ever tasted the flavour of sports, are busy abusing the sportsmen, who, through years of hard work and lots of hardships, have managed to represent our country, in this mega event. Instead of appreciating the efforts of these players, most of us are busy in passing nasty remarks on their failures.

We have restricted ourselves to a very narrow vision. We fail to see that it's not the lack of efforts or expertise that is the obstacle, in the way of bagging medals, but the lack of infrastructure and equipment's, which is the root cause of the failure. Instead of criticising our players, can't we display a sense of pride in them, for representing our country, in such a huge event? Shouldn't we be proud of them, for giving a tough fight to their competitors, who have much better facilities and equipment than them?

Can't we just enjoy and cherish the excellent performances, keeping aside the obsession for medals?

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