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Delhi GC

Shubhankar Sharma

Quick Quotes



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Q. Are you happy with today?

SHUBHANKAR SHARMA: Yeah, really happy, really happy. Yesterday I got off to a good start but made some bad mistakes coming in, but I slept last night and I'm feeling a lot more fresh. Yeah, hit it well, putting was good, mind was clear, and in the end, I'm really happy.

Q. Comparing the two days, what was the difference?

SHUBHANKAR SHARMA: In golf, it's always very small points. There's not much difference. It's just my mentality is different today. I was a lot more relaxed. Well-rested. Yesterday even though I got off to a good start, I was slightly edgy. I've been working hard, so it's good to see the results.

Q. How is the course?

SHUBHANKAR SHARMA: The course is holding up really nicely. It's not that easy. Obviously the scores have been good. In the morning, maybe slightly easier than the afternoon. But if anything, it will only get tougher. The greens will get harder. I don't think we get any rain.

So yeah, it will be tougher. The pin positions are going to get, if anything, tougher and more tucked in. The course is going to be hard.

Q. What will be your strategy or plan going into the next two days?

SHUBHANKAR SHARMA: Same. Nothing. Just do less and rest more. That worked today. Just give every shot its merit. I'm playing well. So we'll see what happens.

Q. You spoke about changes in your equipment. What have those changes been and have they been better for you?

SHUBHANKAR SHARMA: Yes, the last two weeks, it's been coming together and I've been finding some form on the course. The last six months have been very tough.

Just changed irons, basically. That was the main thing. Just couldn't get the right combination of club and shaft. I tried, tried, tried and I failed and six months struggled. The clubs that I played before -- I had the same clubs for ten years, the shaft and the same head. So working on the techniques; the clubs are not right for you and then trying to find the right combination. I feel like I struck gold and I got the right clubs two or three weeks ago, the right combination, and I changed the ball as well to match it. I'm happy.

Q. Out of curiosity, people who have been playing here all their lives are struggling to make the cut whereas people who don't play as often are all up there. What has happened this week?

SHUBHANKAR SHARMA: Golf is all in the mind at the end of the day. That's why it's one of the hardest sports in the world. Doesn't really matter if it is your home track or not, especially at Delhi Golf Club, it's really tough. You hit one bad shot, and suddenly it's a downward spiral from there.

It's also big event and big players coming in. It's not easy to perform.

Q. You have seen it for years now, for decades, and on the domestic tour, you have a different of scores. You bring in a big event on the same course, and the scores look different for the Indians. The difference is quite stark.

SHUBHANKAR SHARMA: I don't doubt any of their games. I haven't seen the scores but they have the game to play. It's all in the head. Also, I think they should be like this all the time, also. It's not a measure of their game and how good they are. They still play well and stand out. Indian golf is really on the rise but again, performing at big events, be it at home or abroad is more in the mind.

I have not played a domestic event in a long time but in terms of setup of the course with the rough and stuff -- even in America the setup is very easy for them. You have a bigger event -- yeah, of course, it's much tougher with the rough being up and the greens being very fast. That's



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Q. What will you tell yourself when things are not going your way?

SHUBHANKAR SHARMA: You tell yourself that your best is still in front of you. And for me, it was tough to have all those setbacks but in a weird way I was excited because I knew I would find something eventually with the clubs and I knew it wasn't me, it wasn't my mind, it wasn't my ability but it was the equipment that wasn't working. If it's the other way around, it's tougher because you have to pick yourself up.

Just told myself that I'm good enough. You have to have a short memory in golf, not think too much, and the clubs are good right now and the swing is good. Yesterday I was tired and I didn't practice after, I just slept, and it worked out.

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