

# Women's Olympic Golf Competition

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Le Golf National

## Diksha Dagar

### Quick Quotes

#### Q. Sum up the round.

DIKSHA DAGAR: Today my hitting has let me down a bit. But I made lots of putts. I was going very good and I was going very good until the 17th hole, but 18th hole, including yesterday, I dropped three shots. Today I went into the water. I mean, I shouldn't have played aggressive. My dad advised me to play aggressive. I wanted to lay up.

#### Q. But you are an aggressive player.

DIKSHA DAGAR: It's okay. Sometimes you take a bad decision. It's okay.

#### Q. Are you happy with your dad back on the bag?

DIKSHA DAGAR: Yes, I'm very happy. It feels amazing.

#### Q. Was he helping with the lines today?

DIKSHA DAGAR: Yes, he was helping with the line, also. Like we would discuss, what is the line, and then he would approve this, this is the line. Then I go with it.

#### Q. So what exactly is the problem on the 18th for you, three shots in two days?

DIKSHA DAGAR: Everything was going good. I would say there's no problem. The course management was the problem. Like on the 18th hole, I hit into the water and again I went over into the bunker.

#### Q. Did the wind take it? You must have seen the distance. You must have had a plan. Did you have a plan when you took the wedge?

DIKSHA DAGAR: The plan was to go on the green for the second shot, and it was downwind. So I missed it to the left side of the flag and it hit on the slope and came back. Like I couldn't play there because it was a water hazard. So I have to take a drop. Then wind was confusing, and



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the pin was very tight. So I have to control the wedge. It was 60 yards. I thought, let me play a bit aggressive since the flag is very close to the front. And I thought, let me play a bit aggressive. It's okay if I go with a bogey or take make a putt, or times two, make a par. But it didn't happen that way.

#### Q. Apart from 18, are you happy with why your round went and do you think you're still in contention for a medal for India?

DIKSHA DAGAR: I would say I played a very good round if you remove the 18th hole from yesterday and today.

#### Q. The putting was much better, you said?

DIKSHA DAGAR: Yes, putting was very much better. I have made lots of up-and-downs. Like I told you, my hitting has let me down on the course, and from the tee shot on the 14th hole, I hit into the water on the right side with a drive. Then 6-iron into the green and I made a long par putt, which I saved it. So putting has saved a lot of shots.

#### Q. You're a naturally aggressive player, and in this tournament, it's only the top three that matters. Fourth place doesn't matter. It's a medal or nothing. So does it help you because you're aggressive?

DIKSHA DAGAR: It's up to you. I'm not going to give up. I'm going to play aggressive for the medal because it is a very rare opportunity. I'm not going to play defense or normal. I have to be aggressive and take a chance.

Like Scottie on the final day to clinch a medal, he played 9-under. So I have to be like him.

#### Q. Did you see Scottie play?

DIKSHA DAGAR: Scottie played very amazing.

#### Q. Did you see him on Sunday?

DIKSHA DAGAR: Yes, I have seen him. On final day, the pin position was very tough, and his striking was good and



his putting, he made lots of birdies on that day.

**Q. Do you watch a lot of golf?**

DIKSHA DAGAR: Yes, of course I like to watch golf because I learn from that.

**Q. Are you going to go to Japan next year?**

DIKSHA DAGAR: Yes, I would love to go there.

**Q. What's the goal in Tokyo?**

DIKSHA DAGAR: Win a medal.

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