

World Baseball Classic: Pool C - Chinese Taipei vs Korea

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Team Chinese Taipei

Hai-Jui Tseng

Pregame Press Conference

Q. Today's could be test, their starting probable pitcher, what's your game plan so far right now? What's your game's atmosphere, the condition? For the offensive plan, if you can share?

HAI-JUI TSENG: Yes, last night, I think we watched last night's game, so we had good preparation for the offense. I think we tried to aim to keep the momentum from yesterday's game. Regarding Team Korea, they are always one of the best team. So for the offense, I think it's an important key is just the timing and to swing hard.

Plus, regarding the starting pitcher for Team Korea, Hyun Jin Ryu, has a variety of experience with great manned, and his velocity, he is throwing quite solid pitches, and so far we made a plan for the team for him.

Q. This is going to be your last game of 2026, looking back, Chinese Taipei is the only country playing four games straight. Can you describe about any comment, any thought? Weapon for the tournament?

HAI-JUI TSENG: Yes, this is the fact we are the only team playing four consecutive games. It was hard, tough, especially we are faced -- this is a type for preparation for the professional league, as well.

So not only paying attention to the WBC tournament, but all the players has to be ready for the regular season, as well. But all my players are focusing on the tournament and they are doing what they can do. I know that. And regarding the schedules, that's something we cannot control. It's above us.

So the future tournament, I wish we could have more time and wish all the country could have better preparation for the tournament. That's my thought.

Q. If you could share with us your starting lineup today?



HAI-JUI TSENG: Yes, it's a great question on our roster we have strong-willed players in a fighting spirit and also our captain, he is very humble to play and no matter what the result is coming out, I am the only one that should be responsible.

And regarding our captain playing today or not, his future is more important than today's previous game. So we have to think about if we are going to use him today or not.

Q. The starting pitcher, was it a big surprise they are putting Hyun Jin Ryu as their starting pitcher, and do you have any plan to let your younger players play for today?

HAI-JUI TSENG: About the starting pitcher for Korea, I wasn't surprised a bit. We already have an advanced scouting report. We know what kind of pitcher he is, and no matter who is going to be the starting pitcher against us, it doesn't matter, really, and our condition in our clubhouse is ready to play.

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