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Team Korea

Kim Do Yeong

Pregame Press Conference

THE MODERATOR: Now let's start the infielder, Mr. Kim Do Yeong, who hit a home run and went 2-for-4 last night.

Q. Your manager a while ago mentioned that before you left the hotel, the entire team has a meeting. Did you also have an internal meeting, only the players, and if so, can you share with us is this?

KIM DO YEONG: Yes, I think all the players are thinking on the same thing, forget about the past, changing the find and focus today. We still an opportunity, so concentrate and focus on today's game only. As Mr. Manager mentioned to us also, we have another opportunity to go advance. So that's how we think.

Q. Previously your condition has not been great, but in last night's contest, you had a great performance. How do you feel about your condition right now?

KIM DO YEONG: I felt I have a very good quality at-bat. It was my third game and kind I feel kind of late to be in better condition but still I have one more game to go, so I will do my best tonight as well. Having an at-bat every day, I think it gives me my condition back, and tonight I'll do my best and give all my effort to the team.

Q. Before the game started last night, you also mentioned that focus in the game is important, and looking back at yesterday's game, we have a difficult situation on the defense, as well. How do you feel about that, any comment or thought?

KIM DO YEONG: Yes, I'm always prepared with the same approach, no matter what result I had the previous game or no matter what condition I am. But I'm always trying to have the same approach for the preparation. It doesn't affect by the result, so nothing is going to be any problem.

As a player, having no error game is something we are aiming all the time. To get the best result, we are having



better preparation.

Q. You came up big in two big at-bats last night. It's a very big game today. Do you enjoy these pressure situations? Is that something you look forward to is being counted on in big moments?

KIM DO YEONG: Yes, as a ballplayer, I am having fun but when I play during the game, especially last night, I felt happiness because I felt my condition got back. That's what I felt last night.

We played in the previous three games, I had fun every single game, and also I have a feel I am growing up every single at-bat, every single game.

Q. Before the game starts, the skipper wanted to mention, the starting second baseman got injured with his left side finger. Does it affect anything or did you have any personal conversation with Mr. Kim Hyeseong, your previous partner?

KIM DO YEONG: First of all, he got hurt when he tried to steal second base. But my last at-bat in the bottom of the 10th, even though he had a very effective stolen base, I regret I couldn't have him score.

As a team we still have hoping to for quarterfinal round in Miami, and the entire team is running an emotional feeling for tonight's game.

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