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Samarth ton props up Jain University

MANIPAL, DHNS: Samarth Ravikumar's unbeaten hundred laced with fortitude helped Jain University, Bangalore, post 335 for seven against University of Bombay on the first day of the two-day final of the All India Inter Zonal Inter University cricket tournament for Rohinton Baria Trophy at Endpoint Ground in Manipal on Saturday.

Samarth scored an unbeaten 123 runs from 151 balls that included seven boundaries. Winning the toss, Jain skipper Kaunain Abbas elected to bat, on a grassy wicket. The first wicket fell early as opener Gaurav Goel was caught behind off Prateek Dabholkar for seven. Other opener Shashindra (38), with Liyan Khan made a 65 run partnership, before giving an easy catch at mid-on off left-arm spinner Vinit Dulan. Liyan made 46 before trapped in front of the wicket by Dulan.

Kaunain hit an elegant half-century, while Nihal Ullal 26 and shared a 69-run partnership with Samarth for the seventh wicket.

Jamia Millia Islamia, Delhi, beat Jiwaji University, Gwalior by 85 runs to finish third.

Brief scores: Jain University: 335/7 in 90 overs (Samarth Ravikumar 123 n.o., Kaunain Abbas 50, Liyan Khan 46, Vinit Dulan 3-89) vs University of Mumbai. At MIT: Jamia Millia Islamia: 272/5 in 50 overs (Surinder Dahiya 91 n.o., Amit Verma 33, Shivendra Pal 39) bt Jiwaji University: 187 all out in 46.4 overs (Bharath Anant 46, Shrab Dhalwal 42, Abhay Negi 2-27, Ashish Chopra 2-13, Mayank Vasishit 2-48).



Samarth Ravikumar