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Jain lads triumph

MANIPAL, DHNS: Jain University, Bangalore lifted the All India inter-zonal university title for the Rohinton Baria Trophy with a resounding 82-run win over University of Mumbai in the two-day final at the Manipal University Endpoint Ground on Sunday.

It was sweet revenge for Jain who lost to Mumbai in the semifinal last year. Chasing 336 for a win, Mumbai were all out for 253 in 78.3 overs. Samarth Ravikumar of Jain University was declared as the man-of-the-match and the man-of-the-series for his brilliant all-round performance.

Chasing a target of 337 runs, the Mumbai team lost two quick wickets, both scalped by medium pacer CA Karthik. A 50-run partnership for the third wicket between Jaideep Pardesi and Kevin Almeida steadied the innings. But soon Kevin was trapped leg before by off-spinner Daniel Sequeira for 19 and Jaideep was also out leg before by Shashindra, for a well-made 53 with six and four boundaries from 96 balls. Southpaw Pankaj Jaiswal who scored 72 runs and Shashank Singh came together for the sixth wicket and took Mumbai from 155 for five to 222, when Shashank was dismissed by Samarth caught behind by Nihal Ullal for 32.

Losing Shashank in the 66th over, Mumbai had very little fight left in them.

Brief scores: Jain University: 335/7 in 90 overs bt University of Mumbai: 253 all out in 78.3 overs (Pankaj Jaiswal 72, Jaideep Pardesi 53, Shashank Singh 32; Samarth Ravikumar 3-45, Daniel Sequeira 3-88).