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ANAND JUMPS TO JOINT LEAD IN GRENKE CLASSIC

BADEN-BADEN (GERMANY): World champion Viswanathan Anand outplayed Daniel Fridman of Germany and jumped to joint lead after the 10th and penultimate round of Grenke Chess Classic here. Having missed out on a few promising positions, the Indian ace ensured a fine victory and took his tally to 5.5 points. Anand's path to lead was aided by overnight leader Fabiano Caruana's will to fight in a level position against Michael Adams of England. While Adams turned out victorious after a gruelling battle, Caruana found himself sharing the lead with Anand who finally caught up. With just one game to come, Adams and Georg Meier of Germany share the third spot with 4.5 points apiece while Arkaditsch Naiditsch, who lost to Meier, is now on the fifth spot with four points.

SHAMIM LEADS SILVERGLADES DELHI TO WIN

GREATER NOIDA: Shamim Khan and Rashid Khan excelled on the back nine as Silverglades Delhi clinched the Louis Philippe Cup with a 3-0 win against DLF Gurgaon, here on Sunday. Silverglades, who were in deficit at the halfway stage when play was called off on Saturday due to rain, excelled under clear skies on better playing conditions to take home the prestigious Louis Philippe trophy and a cash prize of ₹36 lakh at the Jaypee Greens Golf Resort. Shamim held a chip from ten yards off the green on the 235 yard par 3 17th hole to take a one stroke lead. He birdied the 10th, 12th and 17th hole to leapfrog his opponent and on the 18th hole Shamim made a brilliant sand save from 30 yards to clinch the title for Delhi. In the third place play-off, Navratna Ahmedabad piped Jaypee Greens Greater Noida on sudden death after the match score was tied one all.

KALMADI AIDE APPOINTED ADVISOR

NEW DELHI: Tainted Commonwealth Games official, Rajkumar Sacheti has been appointed as "advisor" for this year's Lusofonia Games by the Goa government, leading to the resignation of the Organising Committee chairman. Sacheti, who was found misusing his official position as Joint DG, CWG by the Central Vigilance Commission and a close aide of under trial CWG OC chairman Suresh Kalmadi, has been appointed as advisor by the state government, along with another CWG official V V Saxena. The eligible candidates like Roque Dias and Dr Susan D'Souza, both of whom had served as Goa's Director of Sports and Youth Affairs, were ignored for the job.

YADAV, KADAM WIN MAWANA SUGARS MARATHON

NEW DELHI: Uttar Pradesh's Arvind Kumar Yadav emerged victorious in the men's category, while Nilam Maruti Kadam won the women's title as more than 12500 running enthusiasts braved a chilly morning to participate in the Mawana Sugars Indian Open Marathon, here on Sunday. Both Yadav and Kadam received ₹2.5 lakhs each and Mawana sugar cubes equivalent to their weight after crossing the finish line in the Full Marathon category. The 24-year-old Yadav, who finished runner-up last year, won the marathon in two hours 21 minutes and 44 seconds, while Maharashtra's Kadam clocked three hours one minute and two seconds. In the half-marathon for male veteran category, Jawahar Prasad clocked one hour 20 minutes and 57 seconds to take the first position.