

Late P.A. Sangma Memorial T20 Tournament to Kick Off on March 9.

Shillong Cricket Association Launches First Edition as Annual Tribute and Cricket Promotion Initiative.

The Shillong Cricket Association is set to usher in a new chapter in the city's cricketing calendar with the inaugural Late P. A. Sangma Memorial T20 Tournament, beginning on March 9 at the historic Polo Ground.

The tournament, introduced as both a tribute to the late leader and a platform to promote and strengthen grassroots cricket, marks its first edition this year and is planned as an annual event. The formal inauguration ceremony will take place at 8:00 AM on March 9 at the venue.

Adding significance to the occasion, Sri James Sangma, President of the Meghalaya Cricket Association, will grace the event as the Chief Guest. His presence underscores the importance of the tournament in the broader vision of developing cricket in Meghalaya.

20 Teams to Battle for Glory

A total of 20 teams will participate in the tournament, featuring 18 teams from Shillong and two invited teams from Guwahati, adding competitive diversity and regional flavour to the competition. The tournament will follow a league-cum-knockout format, ensuring ample match exposure for teams before the decisive knockout stage.

With strong local participation and inter-city representation, the competition promises exciting cricket and an opportunity for emerging players to showcase their talent on a prominent platform.

Attractive Prize Money and Individual Recognition

The champions of the inaugural edition will receive a cash prize of ₹1,00,000 along with the championship trophy, while the runners-up will be awarded ₹50,000.

Individual excellence will also be recognised generously. Awards will be presented for:

Best Batsman –

Best Bowler –

Best wicketkeeper –

Player of the Tournament – ₹10,000

Player of the Finals – ₹5,000

These incentives are expected to motivate players and raise the competitive standards of the tournament.

A Step Forward for Shillong Cricket

The Late P.A. Sangma Memorial T20 Tournament is more than just a competition—it is a significant initiative aimed at strengthening the cricketing structure in Shillong. By creating a

structured, high-stakes platform, the Shillong Cricket Association hopes to nurture young talent, encourage professionalism, and foster a culture of competitive cricket in the region.

As the first ball is set to be bowled on March 9, cricket enthusiasts in Shillong can look forward to weeks of thrilling action, community spirit, and a fitting tribute to a respected leader whose legacy continues to inspire.