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TENPIN BOWLING - Misam makes charge

Bengaluru:

Despite not quite matching his first block scores, overnight leader Parvez Ahmed still managed to stay on top of the leaderboard after the first round of the 3rd ARC State Tenpin Bowling Championships at the Amoeba Bowling Centre here on Thursday .

The 37-year-old-a former National runner-up-tallied 1160 pinfall in his second block of six games to take his first-round tally to 2347 at an impressive average of 195.58. Akaash Ashok Kumar, the Commonwealth Championships bronze medallist, was second on 1171 (ave: 195.17). The bespectacled pro was yet to complete his second block of six games. Likewise, Prem Kumar (1097, 182.83), occupying the third place, too was yet complete his second block.

The big mover on the day was young Misam Rizvi. The talented bowler, who could manage only a poor 987 in his first block, was in a zone in the second, scoring a brilliant 1204 (ave: 200.66) to rise up to the fourth spot.

Misam didn't quite get off to a good start, beginning with 187 and 168 in his first two games. Once in the groove, he looked a different bowler altogether. He rifled in 248, 195, 202 and 204 in his next four games to finish with a total of 2191 pins (182.17). The top 20 bowlers advance to the second round. The women's action begins on Friday .



Leading scores (number of games, pinfall and average): 1. Parvez Ahmed (12 games; 2347 pinfall; ave: 195.58); 2. Akaash Ashok Kumar (6; 1171; 195.17); 3. Prem Kumar (6; 1097; 182.83); 4. Misam Rizvi (12; 2191, 182.58); 5. Pratheyk Satya (6; 1082; 180.33); 6. Surendra Babu (6; 1081; 180.17); 7. Ramesh L (6; 1080; 180.00); 8. Prashanth G (6; 1072; 178.67).

FINE EFFORT: Misam Rizvi