Good Cricketers Have to Pursue Hard Time in Every Match by Sanjay Umak

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Anura Tennekoon, former Sri Lanka captain said that cricketers had to pass very hard time in each game in their time as there was no chance of using cricket bowling machine at that time and cricket bowling machine was not invented even at that time. He also edges that some of the players even did not use helmet while facing fast bowlers and it was really amazing thing as of now. Sunil Gavaskar who always batted with a round cap and never used helmet to face Patrik Patterson a fast bowler of West Indies at that time.

Anura Tennekoon said in an interview, â€œWhen I started playing, cricket was very much an amateur sport. The engagements Ceylon got against international sides happened when, for example, England were travelling to Australia. They would stop and play a game. India and Pakistan also gave us games quite regularly. I can put my feet up now but I don't wish to do that. I will probably get involved with a bit of coaching. I would love to coach my old school team. Sri Lankan cricket's proudest moment was the World Cup final in 1996. I was witness to it in Lahore. The PCB invited me. It was a dream come true. That really put us on the map and also helped our administration, because we became more of a marketable team.â€•

He further said, â€œAt the first World Cup in 1975, Sri Lankan fans thought we were going to make a big impact, even though we were amateurs playing against professionals. But in the first game we were bundled out for 86 by West Indies on a green wicket in Manchester. It was a quite a baptism by fire. No one gave us a chance in the second match, against Australia. We were chasing over 300 and there came a point where things became quite tricky for Australia. We were up with the run rate and there were two batsmen going well. Jeff Thomson, who was a very scary bowler, knocked one fellow's head off and the other batsman got hit on the instep, and both had to be hospitalised. Had it not been for those two injuries, we'd have got closer to the target. From that performance, people realised we can play some cricket. After the 1979 World Cup, I hung up my boots. Had I continued too long in cricket, I would have lost out on job opportunities and going up the ladder, so I took the decision. I had two young kids as well.â€•

However, he pointed out the present day cricket as of now players can use cricket bowling machine to have improved batting style. He said, â€œThere are more results than draws these days. That's mainly due to people playing more limited-overs cricket than Test cricket, and they don't have the staying power and the technique when it comes to Test cricket.â€•

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