Argentina wallop Peru on the first day of the U15 Southern Division

Peru proud to play its first ever U15 international game, but given a cricketing lesson by the Argentineans.

In the first match of the ICC Americas Southern Division U15 Championship, Argentina won the toss and elected to bat. Ramiro Escobar and Mateo Mendi put on a valuable 82 runs for the first wicket in the face of solid opening spells from Luis Paredes and James King. The fall of Mendi saw Captain Lautaro Musiani enter to take the Peruvian attack apart. He scored 132 runs from only 46 balls before being dismissed. However, there was no respite for Peru as eventual 'Man of the Match' Mateo Arrighi, continued in his captain's wake and 'plastered' the bowlers to all corners of the wonderful Markham College field and at the end of 40 overs had remained not out on 203 runs from only 84 deliveries including 21 sixes. Paredes (3-59) and King (1-35), from their 8 overs, were the best of the Peruvian attack.

Peru's response was hampered by some excellent bowling from Martin Peralta who finished with 3-19 from his opening spell of 3 overs. None of the Peruvian batsmen were able to cope with the Argentina attack and the punishment ended with Gonzalo Husain taking 2-1 from 1.5 overs and Peru ended all out for 40 from only 13.5 overs.

Tomorrow sees Peru take on Chile and they will be hoping that they can improve on today's performance.

Brief scores:

Argentina U15 Win by 449 runs

Argentina U15 1st Innings: 489/6 Closed (Overs 40)

Escobar, R 58 Musiani, L 132 Arrighi, M 203* Paredes, LM 3/59

Peru U15 1st Innings: 40/10 (Overs 13.5)

Peralta,MI 3/19

ICC Americas U15 Southern Division Championship table (as of 26-August, 2011)

Team	Played	Won	Lost	Tie	Points	NRR
Argentina	1	1	0	0	2	9.333
Chile	0	0	0	0	0	0
Peru	1	0	1	0	0	-9.333

Tomorrow's fixtures: Peru v Chile