

## RESEARCH PAPER ON MOHAMMAD KAIF'S CRICKET SKILLS ABILITIES

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### **ABSTRACT:**

*In the present study was to know about the overall cricket skills performance of Mohammad Kaif for this study we made questionnaire, with the help of expert. & the questionnaire which was related on his cricket skills. The questionnaire filled by 500 players of different cricket academy of M.P. and U.P. in this questionnaire the question asked by players which was related on the skills of Mohammad. Kaif (batting, fielding and Bowling). The finding of the research are as follows; hundred percent players are agreed with the fielding skill, ninety eight percent are agreed with batting skill but least are agreed with bowling skill and it is only twenty five percent. Overall his career in International and Domestic level was good. And achieved successful career in cricket.*

**Key Words:** Cricket, Batting, Bowling, Fielding, Running between the wicket, Run out.

### **INTRODUCTION:**

The sports of cricket have a history beginning in the late 16<sup>th</sup> century. Having originated in south east England. It became a county's national game in the 18<sup>th</sup> century and has a developed globally in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. International matches have been played since 1844 and the test cricket began, retrospectively recognised, in 1877. Cricket is the world second most popular spectator sport after association football. Governance is by the International cricket council (ICC) which has over one hundred members although only ten play Test cricket. Cricket is one of the most popular games in India. The Indian cricket team (Men's) has excelled not only in shorter version but also in longer version of the game i.e. test cricket in recent past. In cricket batsman, bowlers and fielders.

## Mohammad Kaif

Mohammad kaif a legendary batsman and fielder is known for his brilliant career in Indian Cricket. His debut in Test cricket against South Africa at Bangalore in 2000. He played his first one day international match against England at Kanpur in January 2002 and arose to prominence due to his immense contribution in the field of Indian cricket. He was born in a sportsman family on 1st December 1980 in the historic city Allahabad. His father Mohammad Tarif was a well known cricketer of the country and represented Indian Railways as well as Uttar Pradesh teams in Ranji Trophy tournaments. M.Kaif is the 3rd son among the family. His elder brothers were also good cricketers Mohammad Asif played National level in junior cricket and Mohammad Saif played Ranji Trophy matches for Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh cricket teams. The family background inspires him to play cricket. Mohammad Kaif was very laborious since his childhood. He had done a lot of practice to achieve his target. His dedication towards cricket is a good example for the beginners. He did a lot of practice for the perfection in his fielding skills. His family members also supported him for achieving his goal.

## METHODOLOGY:

### Procedure Sample

To conduct the study, 500 cricket players of different cricket Academy of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh were selected as a sample for collecting data of study. Subjects were free for response whatever he / she feel about Mohammad Kaif cricketing career. For this survey method with the help of experts we made questionnaire which is related to Mohammad Kaif over all his Cricket skills, in this questionnaire we gave four criteria to choose his or her Answer in objective types. In options to (✓) tick mark whatever sample decided for response.

The four criteria are as follows:

Excellent if the sample will tick on excellent so the subject will get	(10 marks).
Very good if the sample will tick on Very good so the subject will get	(8 marks).
Good if the sample will tick on Good so the subject will get	(5 marks).
Average if the sample will tick on Average so the subject will get	(2 marks).

Below mentioned cricket skills of Mohammad Kaif and asked to players of cricket academy of different cities of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh.

**Batting skills:** In this part mentioned about batting skill means the playing region of Mohammad kaif. which type of shots mostly he preferred like vertically or horizontal shots.

**Fielding skills:** In fielding skill mentioned, where Mohammad kaif is most valuable fielder for team either close fielding or deep fielding.

**Bowling skills:** Mentioned here about his bowling technique and success rate in bowling.

**Running between the wickets:** In this part, running between the wicket means the ratio of runs taking capacity. And how much time he fallen run out to his batting partner.

**Run out:** Run out means while taking run how much percent he got run out.

**Skills Performance Table of Mohammad Kaif**

Cricket Academy Players	City	Batting Skill	Fielding Skill	Bowling skill	Running between the wicket	Run out
195	Indore	90 %	95%	40%	90%	12%
50	Gwalior	87%	99%	49%	98%	5%
50	Allahabad	80%	96%	15%	99%	5%
50	Rewa	94%	99%	30%	88%	3%
95	Kanpur	95%	100%	35%	90%	7%
60	Lucknow	79%	98%	30%	80%	10%

## DISCUSSION:

Mohammad Kaif was very laborious since his childhood. He did a lot of practice to achieve his target. His dedication towards cricket is a good example for beginners. He did a lot of practice for the perfection in his fielding skills and batting skills. He was one of the best fielder in the Indian team of that time, along with Yuvraj Singh Yuvraj would be positioned on point and Mohammad Kaif in the covers, and it was tough call for the opposition to score past this pair, the standard of Indian fielding improved significantly when they were on the field. He also has a good track record of direct hits to the stump from the cover position. Discussion about his batting skills almost time he played not out inning in domestic or International level, we can say he is reliable batsman for India.

**CONCLUSION:**

After survey we find out the views of Cricket Academy players he is a very perfect fielder of Indian team especially in cover position and he caught so many catches and run out on that position. And his batting technique is very sound and almost played vertical bat shots. He believes in more work and less talk. He is a source of inspiration to cricket players He is a hard worker and regular in his routine work. Cricket is in his blood and promoting cricket in different States of India. He is a committed man and entirely devoted to cricket.

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