

Name	Azeem Ghumman
DOB	24/01/1991
Nationality	Pakistani
Player Status	Available
Playing Role	Batter
Batting Style	RH Top Order Bat
Bowling Style	RA Leg Spin
Entry Route	ESTA
Coaching Qualifications	UKCC Level 2

Azeem Ghumman is a prolific batter who burst onto the first-class scene as a 16-year-old in December 2007 and has, until recently been seen as a player destined for international honours. He hit his maiden hundred (109) in only his second first-class match and has since racked up almost 7,500 domestic runs with 12 centuries and a highest score of 199.

Ghumman has achieved considerable success in the game. He has captained the Hyderabad region and played for Pakistan at both Under-17 and 19 level. He skippered the latter on the tours to Sri Lanka and Zimbabwe, where was the leading run-scorer. A few months prior, he toured Australia with Pakistan A and impressed and then in August 2010, was selected to captain the A side on the tour to Sri Lanka.

Ghumman was first noticed when finishing as the leading run-scorer in the Inter-District Under-19 Tournament in 2007/09 with 381 runs at 95.25. Included in this tally was an outstanding innings - an undefeated 326 which was scored in a single day (83-overs). To show his all-round skills, he took the most wickets for his province with 10 wickets at 10.30 including a best bowling of 5-64.

Ghumman has had nine league stints in the UK, firstly for Slough in the Home Counties Premier League in 2008 followed by Spencer in Division One of the strong Surrey Championship in 2010 (248 runs at 27.56 and 10 wickets at 22.2). He excelled for Two Counties Cricket Championship runners-up Mildenhall in 2012, finishing inside the top ten run-scorers (501 runs at 50.10) and thirteenth on the wicket-charts (24 wickets at 15.04). In 2013, he played in the

Lincolnshire ECB Premier League where he struck 352 runs at 32 and took 16 wickets at 28.25 for Louth.

He then enjoyed successful summers plying his trade in Northern Ireland for clubs including Ballymena (2015), Glendermott (2016), and Ardmore (2018). In what proved to be a difficult season for his first club Ballymena in 2015, despite relegation, Ghumman starred finishing amongst the leading run-scorers in the NCU Premier Division with 644 runs at 53.67. He returned in 2016, this time to play for North West Cricket Union side Glendermott. In the NWCU Championship division, Ghumman racked up 524 runs at 65.50 alongside 23 wickets at 10.30 to conclude a fantastic summer.

Given his success, Glendermott quite rightly re-signed Ghumman. However, recent league rule changes (Feb 2017) prevented his return, so the Pakistani run machine instead moved onto Ryton where he enjoyed yet another strong all-round season racking up 472 runs at 31.47 and with the ball took 28 victims at just over 21.

In 2018, he returned to his beloved Northern Ireland, as a last-minute, mid-season replacement for Ardmore Cricket Club (North West Cricket Union). Unfortunately, Ghumman wasn't able to make the impact he wanted in his 7 games, only averaging 24.86 with the bat.

In a view to avenging these numbers, he signed with Bankfoot for the 2020 season, before COVID struck putting pay to the opportunity. Nevertheless, he headed over in 2021 and impressed for Bankfoot, hitting 756 runs at 42 for the club, to include 648 runs at 49.85 to finish as the second-leading run-scorer in Division 1 of the Bradford League.

Over the past two seasons, despite a very slow start during his 2022 stint, Ghumman starred for Chippenham (West of England Premier League) hitting 783 runs at 43.50 in 2022, before 400 at 25 (as at 31/07/23) in 2023.

In Pakistan over the past few years, Ghumman has excelled with the bat, topping the PCB Cricket Associations Championship 3-Day run charts (890 runs at 52.35) for Balochistan 2nd XI (2021/22), with whom it skippers. He was also a State regular in the Quaid-e-Azam Trophy and the former Pakistan A skipper will be looking to continue his fine form throughout the 2023/24 season.

Ghumman is an accomplished cricketer and will be looking to return for year another stint in 2024.

Overseas Statistics

Team (Season)	Mts	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	0vs	Runs	Wkts	ВВ	Avg
Chippenham Cricket Club (2023)											
Chippenham (2022)	23	23	5	783	127*	43.50	3	25	0	0/8	-
Bankfoot (2021)	21	20	2	756	104	42.00	1	4	1	1/4	4.00
Ardmore (2018)	7	7	0	174	54	24.86	19	107	5	3/33	21.40
Ryton (2017)	22	21	2	569	70	29.95	153.5	676	29	5/13	23.31
Glendermott (2016)	17	17	2	686	147	45.75	101.5	388	32	4/18	12.12
Ballymena (2015)	15	15	3	644	92*	53.67	56.3	329	9	2/31	36.56

Louth (2013)	13	13	1	393	103	32.75	119.4	466	18	4/72	25.89
Mildenhall (2012)	15	15	5	501	100	50.10	99	361	24	4/35	15.04
Spencer (2010)	9	9	0	248	74	27.56	59.3	222	10	5/54	22.20

