

Name	Krishan Wijesuriyaarachchi
DOB	20/09/1998
Nationality	Sri Lankan
Player Status	Available
Playing Role	Wicket-Keeper
Batting Style	RH Top Order Bat
Bowling Style	RA Off Spin
Entry Route	International Sportsperson Visa

Krishan Wijesuriyaarachchi is quite the prospect making waves in Sri Lankan domestic cricket.

A schoolboy prodigy, the former Sri Lankan Under-19 star enjoyed a barnstorming 2019/20 Premier Tournament, hitting 383 runs at 47.87.

Playing for the star-studded Sinhalese Sports Club, a squad that features internationals including Sandun Weerakkody, Jeffrey Vandersay, Dasun Shanaka, Sachithra Senanayake, Nuwan Pradeep, and Dhanushka Gunathilleke, the talented youngster has impressed.

A gifted wicket-keeper batter, who bowls decent off spin, "Wije" has started to convert the promise that saw him represent Sri Lanka Under-19s on 18 occasions, including the ICC World Cup in New Zealand (January 2018).

He enjoyed a glittering school and age-group representative career. He dominated the Under-19 Division 1 run charts, hitting 6 centuries, including a double (253) amongst 2,398 runs at 36.33.

Wije has a reputation as an explosive top-order batter - during the Division 1 Tournament, he struck 55 sixes to evidence this.

He took the step up to the Emerging and Under-23 Tournaments, and the trend continued, hitting 2 further centuries

amongst 385 runs at 77 in the latter during the 2016/17 season.

Wije then broke into the Sri Lankan Under-19 set-up and was selected to make his Sinhalese first-class debut in February 2017.

A promising Premier Tournament (Tier A) in 2018/19, scoring 401 runs at 33.41, was then followed by his 383 runs at 47.87 the following summer. Over the past two seasons, he hasn't quite replicated his success at first-class level (to date) but has excelled in the 50-over format hitting 238 runs at 59.50 (2021/22), and 515 runs at 46.81 (2022).

Whilst COVID impacted the domestic summer, Wije continued to shine on its white ball return. He finished amongst the top 5 run-scorers in the SLC Major Club T20 Tournament, hitting 219 runs at 36.50 with 3 half-centuries. He saved his best knock for the final, scoring 71 not out to help guide Sinhalese to a defendable total. His match-winning innings was rewarded with the "Player of the Final".

Wije has announced himself on the domestic stage and is now eager to press for national inclusion in future. He is seeking a UK club in 2024 to continue his development.

