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# AFTAB ALAM

*Bowling All-Rounder (Seam)*





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| Name | Aftab Alam |
| DOB | 30-11-1992 |
| Nationality | Afghan |
| Player Status | Unavailable |
| Playing Role | Bowling All-Rounder (Seam) |
| Batting Style | RH Middle Order Bat |
| Bowling Style | RA Fast Medium |
| Entry Route | International Sportsperson Visa |

Aftab Alam is a bustling, high-energy seam bowler who has carved out an impressive cricketing journey from the grassroots of Afghanistan to the grand stage of international cricket. Known for his front-on action, late movement, and unrelenting intensity with the ball, Alam brings not only world-class experience but also a fierce competitive spirit to every side he represents.

His rise is one of Afghanistan cricket's true development success stories. Starting from the Under-15s, Alam progressed through every level of the national pathway, eventually earning his spot in the Afghanistan U19 squad for the 2010 ICC Youth World Cup in New Zealand, where he led the wicket charts for his team with 12 scalps. He backed it up with a jaw-dropping 8 for 12 against Oman in the 2011 ACC U19 Elite Cup – a performance that remains one of the most memorable in youth cricket history.

Alam featured in two U19 World Cups (2010 & 2012) and swiftly broke into the senior team, making his ODI debut against Canada shortly after his 2010 youth campaign. Over the next decade, he became a regular in the Afghan national setup, featuring in both ODI and T20I formats, and was part of several historic campaigns.

One of the highlights of his international career came in 2019, when he featured in the ICC Cricket World Cup, delivering standout performances on the global stage. In the months leading up to the tournament, Alam rattled Ireland with figures of 4 for 25 and 3 for 28, before claiming the prized scalps of Martin Guptill, Colin Munro, and Ross Taylor in a fiery spell of 3 for 45 against New Zealand. His impact in the 2018 Asia Cup had already affirmed his position

as a genuine strike weapon for Afghanistan.

Although the 2019 World Cup would be his final outing in Afghan colours, Alam has continued to shine in domestic competitions. Most recently, he starred for the Hindukush Strikers in the 2023 Ahmad Shah Abdali 4-Day Tournament, where he was instrumental in guiding the team to the final. He took 26 wickets at 23.38, including best figures of 6 for 13, and contributed 183 runs at 20.33. In the final, he delivered a match-defining all-round performance – smashing a blistering 83 not out off 56 balls (including eight fours and five sixes) and backing it up with a five-wicket haul in the match.

Now in the next chapter of his career, Alam is looking to bring his experience and skills to UK club cricket for the 2026 season. With international pedigree, raw pace, sharp movement, and the ability to contribute valuable lower-order runs, he's a player built for impact. But beyond the stats and highlights, Aftab Alam is a fierce competitor and team-first cricketer – someone who brings energy, professionalism, and a winning mentality to any side he joins.

For clubs seeking a proven performer who thrives under pressure, Aftab Alam is a name that deserves serious attention. He's been there, done that – and he's ready to do it again in UK league cricket.