



Name	Ahmed Raza
DOB	10/10/1988
Nationality	Emirati (UAE)
Player Status	Available
Playing Role	Bowling All-Rounder (Spin)
Batting Style	RH Middle Order Bat
Bowling Style	SLA Orthodox Spin
Entry Route	Spouse Visa

Ahmed Raza is not only the United Arab Emirates' most prominent spinner but shares the captaincy duties in international cricket.

In a country often derided for a failure to produce homegrown talent resulting in an over-reliance on South Asian ex-pats, Raza is one of the rare success stories of a player who came through UAE's Under-19 program, born and bred in Sharjah, to achieve senior team success.

Regarded as a "boa constrictor" with the ball, the left-arm tweaker is also a surprisingly athletic fielder for a man of his 6'5" stature. Whilst acknowledged as one of UAE's all-time greats with the ball, he has produced numerous notable innings to lay-claim to all-round status, including a ODI half-century.

UAE, who featured at the recent T20 World Cup in Australia (November 2022), and sits 16th in the ICC ODI rankings. Raza is one of UAE's trump cards and has been key to their success in recent years.

He has produced the goods time and time again for the UAE. Following his UAE debut in 2006 as a 17-year-old against India A, he has gone on to play over 100 matches for his Country and taken well over 200 wickets. He was the ICC Intercontinental Trophy bowler of the tournament in 2017 (32 wickets at 21.31) and currently boasts 64 wickets at 29.54 in 52 ODI's, including best figures of 5-26 against Namibia (Jan 2020).

The UAE skipper is currently seeking an opportunity to ply his trade in the UK next summer and it's envisaged he'll have excellent availability and will travel on a spouse visa. A fantastic signing for any UK club for the 2023 season.

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