



Name	Karanvir Kaushal
DOB	25/08/1991
Nationality	Indian
Player Status	Available
Playing Role	Batter
Batting Style	RH Opening Bat
Bowling Style	RA Medium Pace
Entry Route	

**\*\* Available for the Republic of Ireland and Netherlands only \*\***

Karanvir Kaushal is a swashbuckling batter who hit the headlines in October 2018 by becoming the first player to hit a double century in the Vijay Hazare Trophy (List A).

Playing for Uttarakhand, he struck 202 from only 135 balls against Sikkim, smashing the previous highest score (187) set by Ajinkya Rahane back in 2007/08. His innings, which featured 9 sixes and 18 fours, was his third century in 7 List A matches for the State. He'd previously blitzed scores of 101 (114 balls) v Puducherry, and 118 (86) v Mizoram in his second, and sixth matches, respectively.

Kaushal, who would end the Vijay Hazare Trophy with 489 runs at 69.85, would then go on to make 91 on his Ranji Trophy debut the following month. His 135-ball knock on a green top against Bihar was ultimately ended when chasing a wide ball from former Indian spinner Pragyan Ojha. Throughout his 2018/19 Ranji campaign, Kaushal would go on to score 359 runs at 35.90 to highlight his ability in the longer format.

Roll on the 2019/20 season, and the run machine was quickly into his work, adding a fourth List A century – this time a run-a-ball 103 against Meghalaya – a side skippered by CricX star Raj Biswa. Whilst less prolific throughout the rest of the summer, Kaushal still managed 269 runs at 38.42 – more than respectable returns in any given season.

The bruising batter's journey into cricket was secondary to his main sport growing up – table tennis – where he was a national level player before an accidental trial at the Under-14 level spiked his interest in cricket. Kaushal took cricket seriously after that, but with the Uttarakhand Cricket Association not being affiliated with the BCCI at that point in time, he left, in search of greener pastures, for neighboring Uttar Pradesh.

Despite sloggng for nearly ten years on the local circuit, Kaushal failed to break through owing to a lack of support. But with the BCCI adding nine new teams to the fold, he got the platform to showcase his talent and with enough support has had a fantastic start. He believes Uttarakhand has no shortage of cricketing talent and personally, like countless others, harbors the ultimate dream of representing India.

For now, though, he has two dreams – to play in the IPL and to play cricket abroad. Whilst he didn't get picked for the former, he's eager to explore overseas opportunities from 2024 onwards.

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