

**ANIRBAN LAHIRI (-7)**

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**Q. Anirban, good playing today. If we could just get an opening comment on your round.**

**ANIRBAN LAHIRI:** Yeah, I've been playing really solid. Like coming into this week I feel really good about my game. Today I hit it really good again. Bit of a cold day with my putter. Started out, had a lot of really good looks from short range, didn't make any and just couldn't build the early momentum. Dropped a shot after I made the turn, so went back to even par.

So I'm happy with the way I finished. It was nice to pick a few shots up. I played a lot better than my score, so I'm just going to stay relaxed and keep doing what I'm doing. I think I'm getting closer and closer to putting my best on these greens, so just got to stay a little more patient.

**Q. Anything you're looking to improve in the final two rounds?**

**ANIRBAN LAHIRI:** Yeah, like I said, my short game and my putting just hasn't been where it needs to be, but I've kind of made up for it with my ball-striking, it's been really good. I've just got to keep doing what I'm doing. Maybe come out tomorrow, have a few reps around the greens, maybe take a little longer, a little more time on the greens and just try and get a good feel for the speed. I think that's where it's a challenge this week because you can get putts that are down grain downhill that run 14 and then you get the same putt coming back and it's running nine because bermuda and slopes, it can get tricky. So yeah, I think that's probably the one thing that I'd like to get better on, do better with on the weekend.

**Q. Anirban, we were with you on the range earlier this week shooting your -- how you mentally prep. Talk about how that's going well this week and how that's part of why you're having success.**

**ANIRBAN LAHIRI:** Yeah, you look at the numbers, it tells a story. Like I said, I'm really happy with the kind of work I did with my coach, really happy with kind of restructuring and cleaning up my system and just it puts me in a really good, clean, clear state of mind before I start my rounds. I'm just a lot more committed to my shots and I make better decisions. So yeah, it's been good, like I said. And I think you caught me at a good time because I just did a good cleanup on my game, so yeah, I guess it's working.

**Q. Are there any bits of that that you're doing on the course or is that just for the range?**

**ANIRBAN LAHIRI:** No, I think once you get on the golf course you have to kind of let go a

little bit of the technique because especially when you get conditions that are windy or firm or with bermuda, you've got to start judging how is it going to pop out, is it going to spin, does it not, is it going to bounce, is it not. So you have to really tap into the creative side, especially when you play courses like this. Obviously if you hit two or three shots in a row that have been mis-hit or you're not able to execute, then you've got to fall back and go back to, all right, you know, where's the breakdown, is it coming on the technical side or is it coming on the creative side. Then again you try and switch back into target mode, because you're just basically in target mode.