Bangladesh Triumphs Over India After 22 Years

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History was made on Tuesday at the National Stadium during the Asian Cup qualifiers. The packed gallery of spectators was eagerly waiting for a thrilling contest—but Bangladesh turned that contest into a priceless victory. After a long gap of 22 years, the long-cherished dream of defeating India finally came true. The team played with strong discipline, confidence, and perfect coordination, changing the course of the match within just 11 minutes. From that moment on, Bangladesh maintained the lead and ultimately secured the much-desired win with this masterstroke.

At the beginning of the match, India showed dominance in ball possession, but Bangladesh struck first. Rakib Hossain delivered an accurate cross from the left, which was finished brilliantly by Sheikh Morsalin. It was his seventh goal in the red-and-green jersey and a moment that opened the door to history.

Bangladesh last defeated India in January 2003, in the semifinal of the SAFF Championship. For the next 22 years, Bangladesh endured a drought of victories against India. But this time, with the coordination of Hamza Choudhury, Shommit Shome, and other players, that long wait finally ended.

In Tuesday's match at the National Stadium, Bangladesh secured a memorable 1–0 victory over India. The winning goal was scored by Sheikh Morsalin—a moment that will remain unforgettable for football fans.