

'Accusers knowingly making false claims'

American Coach Salazar Denies Doping Allegations Against Him

London: American track coach Alberto Salazar declared on Tuesday that people accusing him of contravening doping rules are "knowingly making false statements", adding that he denies "all allegations of doping".

A BBC/ProPublica documentary broadcast last week alleged that Salazar, who coaches British distance great Mo Farah, gave American runner Galen Rupp the banned anabolic steroid testosterone when he was a teenager. There is no suggestion that double world and Olympic champion Farah - who trains with Rupp, has broken doping rules, but he withdrew from Sunday's Birmingham Diamond League meeting, saying he felt "drained" by the affair.

"I have said all along that I believe in a clean sport, hard work and I deny all allegations of doping," Salazar, who runs Nike's Oregon Project training camp, said in a statement sent to The Guardian.



Salazar (centre) with Farah (right) and Rupp

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allegations, I hope that media and fans will afford me a short time to show the accusers are knowingly making false statements.

"I will document and present the facts as quickly as I can so that Galen and Mo can focus on doing what they love and have worked so hard to achieve." AFP

Cleveland is ready to support King James

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Cleveland: It doesn't boast of the 'buzz' of New York or the glitz of Los Angeles, but this sleepy city in Ohio, on the eastern side of United States of America, does have an air of tremendous anticipation and excitement about it, perhaps not since it was founded in 1796.

NBA PREVIEW

You can sense it the moment you land in the airport, where giant posters of its heroes — LeBron James and his boys — stare in your face. Those faces keep appearing on the big business centers around town too. Quite simply, as it gets ready to host Game 3 and 4 of the NBA finals against the Golden State Warriors, the home base of the Cleveland Cavaliers is right behind its favourite team and firmly gripped in NBA fever.

With the hosts having



CARRYING THE WEIGHT OF EXPECTATIONS: LeBron James

bounced back to tie the series at 1-1 in the hostile Oracle Arena in Oakland in what is turning into an epic, the Clevelanders can't wait to fulfill their biggest tryst with sporting history in the last 51 years — 1964 was the last time they won a professional championship when Cleveland Browns clinched the NFL title. So, the stage is set for 'part 3' of the thriller at the Quick-Loans Arena, which

should be packed to the rafters on Tuesday night. Like the Warriors, the Cavaliers too have been a force to reckon with on home turf — they own the best home record in the NBA since January 19 at 26-2, including a perfect 8-0 against teams from West.

Over that 28-game stretch at 'The Q', Cleveland have outscored their opponents by 12.1 points (106.0-93.9) and outshot them .465 to .415. The Cavs

have denied opponents from scoring at least 100 points in 23 of the last 28 home games, while also shooting nearly .400 from the three-point line (325-814, .399).

It's not the numbers but the man that matters. Playing the best basketball of his career, LeBron is clearly the greatest of his generation, single-handedly driving the depleted Cavs' campaign against the more rounded Warriors. Playing his fifth NBA final in a row, the 6'8" small forward put a class act by scoring 39 points in Game 2 victory and 44 in Game 1 defeat. The two-time NBA winner (with Miami Heat of course) averages 41.5 points, 12 rebounds and 8.5 assists in NBA Finals. For the Cavaliers, he is their one-man army — leader and go-to man who ends up playing all five positions on the floor. The prodigal son has returned this season and his fans are hoping that he makes their NBA title dream come true.

I didn't watch French Open final, was training: Nadal

Stuttgart: Dethroned French Open champion Rafael Nadal says he was too busy training to watch Stan Wawrinka's gripping final defeat of Novak Djokovic at Roland Garros on Sunday.

The nine-time French Open winner's 2015 tournament ended prematurely last week when he suffered a quarter-final rout by Djokovic. That was only the Spaniard's second loss in 72 matches in Paris since his 2005 debut.

And Nadal, speaking at the Stuttgart Open on Monday, revealed: "I didn't watch the match, I was training."

Nadal is in Germany for the start of the grasscourt season. "Starting on grass is always difficult. I'm going to try to play my best, to train as much as possible today (Monday), tomorrow and Wednesday for my first match." Reflecting on his three set beating by Djokovic he suggested the loss was "now part of the past". "I must improve my level of tennis, my intensity on the court. If I can do that I'm confident that I can return to my best level."

"I'm making my debut on grass two weeks before Wimbledon, I hope that's going to help." Swiss Wawrinka claimed a fa-



Rafael Nadal

mous 4-6, 6-4, 6-3, 6-4 victory in Paris to secure his second career major after the 2014 Australian Open. AFP

Bouchard loses in grass-court season opener

S-Hertogenbosch (Netherlands): Back on her favorite surface, top-seeded Eugenie Bouchard lost in the first round at the Topshelf Open on Tuesday.

Bouchard, who last year became the first Canadian to reach a Grand Slam singles final at Wimbledon, was beaten by Yaroslava Shvedova of Kazakhstan 6-4, 1-6, 6-4.

Bouchard reached three consecutive Grand Slam semifinals last year but is going through a difficult season, having lost nine of her past 10 matches, and dropped out of the top-10 rankings. She lost her opening match at the French Open.

In men's play, seventh-seeded Fernando Verdasco defeated Daniel Gimeno-Traver 7-6 (3), 6-7 (6), 6-2 in an all-Spanish first-round match. No. 6 seed Adrian Panatta of France and No. 8 Joao Sousa of Portugal also advanced.

Verdasco will be up against local favorite Robin Haase for a place in the quarterfinals. AP



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