Indian legend Sachin Tendulkar points out the reason behind India's crushing loss

For the Indian cricket team, it was a forgettable outing in their last international match of 2023. Against South Africa, India was expected to deliver a great show in what has been called the 'Final Frontier' of the team. However, what resulted on the ground can be called a listless show. After India's first inning ended on 245, South Africa notched a huge 408-run total, courtesy of Dean Elgar's 185. In the second inning, Virat Kohli (76) waged a lone battle, as the Indians were all out for just 131. India lost the match by an inning and 32 runs.

Only Kohli and Shubman Gill reached double-digit figures in the second inning. Four Indian batters could not even score a run. India's great Sachin Tendulkar took to social media to voice his opinion on the show.

Sachin Tendulkar wrote in a long post on X that, "Well played, South Africa! While I initially felt the South African team would've been unhappy after the 1st innings, their pace attack surpassed expectations and showcased remarkable skill in the 2nd innings, in spite of the pitch becoming more favourable for batting as the match progressed."

He further wrote, "From whatever I watched, India's shot selection left much to be desired. Throughout the Test, only a few batters, namely Elgar, Jansen, Bedingham, @imVkohli, and @klrahul, truly seemed at ease with the bat, navigating the conditions with technique and poise. #SAvIND" and so on.