



England Women won by 100 runs in Wellington. Photo: ICC/Getty Images

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England Women qualify for World Cup semi-finals with Bangladesh win

England Women 234-6 beat Bangladesh Women 134 by 100 runs

England Women qualified for the ICC Women's World Cup semi-finals with an emphatic victory over Bangladesh in Wellington.

It completes a turnaround for the holders who were faced with winning four consecutive games to qualify after losing their opening three matches.

Bangladesh kept it tight with the ball and contained well after Heather Knight won the toss and chose to bat first. Knight's side found boundaries difficult to come by but Sophia Dunkley's fluent 67 added some much-needed impetus to take England to 234-6.

England's bowlers did their jobs in Bangladesh's reply, with Sophie Ecclestone (10-4-18-3) exemplary as ever. Freya Davies (10-0-36-2) bowled well on her return to the side and picked up two wickets on what was her first World Cup appearance.

England's opponents and venue for the semi-final will be determined by the outcome of the India v South Africa fixture, with England confirmed as third-place finishers if South Africa pass 173 in their chase.

Please find below video and audio files of Sophia Dunkley's post-match press conference available to use. You cannot publish video on Twitter. Please credit ICC. https://sendgb.com/Zl5GnoYDCiN

England Women's World Cup Fixtures

Saturday March 5: <u>Australia Women 310-3 beat England Women 298-8 by 12 runs</u>

Tuesday March 8: West Indies Women 225-6 beat England Women 216 by 7 runs

Monday March 14: South Africa Women 236-7 beat England Women 235-9 by three wickets

Wednesday March 16: England Women 136-6 beat India Women 134 by four wickets

Saturday March 19: England Women 204-9 beat New Zealand Women 203 by one wicket

Thursday March 24: England Women 107-1 beat Pakistan Women 105 by nine wickets

Sunday March 27: England Women 234-6 beat Bangladesh Women 134 by 100 runs

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