

Bethlehem, July 17: The Bangladesh boys are mentally prepared for the challenge of AFC U23 Championship qualifiers tournament set to kick-off on July 19.

It will begin with the homeboys facing off with Asian heavyweights Jordan in the opening match.

Bangladesh's other opponents in Group E are Tajikistan and hosts Palestine.

Considering the current situation, Coach Andrew Ord said, "Bangladesh have never won a game at this U23 tournament level. So, our goal is to create history and bring a victory back."

Asked about the team strategy, Ord said, "We will chiefly adopt a counter attacking strategy with a compact midfield."