IBL better than China League: Lee Chong Wei

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MUMBAI: Lee Chong Wei is yet to hit his first shuttle in the Indian Badminton League (IBL) but the world number one has already proclaimed that the ongoing event is better than the prestigious and hugely competitive China League.

"I have played twice in the China League. This is the first time for India. We have players like Tine Baun, Mark Zweibler, Ivanov and some Indian players. I have played in China and I have played in India, but I think India is better. Next year I think you can do more better. China (League) is a long one played over six months but Indian League is only three weeks," the Malaysian said.

The winner of two Olympic silver Medals said he is eager to draw first blood for his team Mumbai Masters against Krish Delhi Smashers in their match here tomorrow. "Tomorrow is my first match and I hope I can play well and win the first point for my team. This is no individual game but a team event. My point is very important because it will be the first point for my team," Lee told reporters here.

The Malaysian, who retired at the World Championship finals against Chinese ace and Olympic medallist Lin Dan, said he has recovered from the cramps he suffered.

"After the World Championship, I had cramp in my body and I had to recover my body at any cost. I rushed to Malaysia for three days and I am here for IBL," he added.
