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Nearly entire global population breathing polluted air: WHO



full 99 per cent of people on the Earth breathe air containing too many pollutants, the World Health Organisation said, blaming poor air quality for millions of deaths each year. Fresh data from the UN health agency showed that every corner of the globe is dealing with air pollution, although the problem is much worse in poorer countries.

The poorest air quality was found in the eastern Mediterranean and Southeast Asia regions, and Africa. The findings were alarming, the organisation said, and highlighted the importance of rapidly curbing fossil fuel use

Volcanic activity on **Red Planet behind** Marsquakes: Study

olcanic activity beneath the surface of Mars could be responsible for triggering



'havelis' and 'chhatris', through

the lens of a young traveller

Civil unrest, political crisis, Covid: What's ailing India's neighbourhood

xternal affairs minister S Jaishankar on Monday held a crucial meeting with Prime Minister Narendra Modi to discuss the prevailing situation in India's neighbourhood. Jaishankar is believed to have apprised PM Modi of the situation in Sri Lanka and Pakistan. A detailed look at what's troubling India's neighbours, and how it can affect India...

PAKISTAN

slamabad is no stranger to political upheaval. Ever since its independence in 1947, no prime minister in Pakistan **L** has managed to complete a full five-year term. This says a lot about the history of Pakistan politics. Currently, PM Imran Khan is embroiled in a fierce tug of war with the opposition, which has united to overthrow him. On Sunday, Imran sent Pakistan into a state of limbo after engineering the dissolution of the National Assembly, which was set to vote on the no-confidence motion that he would have lost. Imran then recommended early elections in the country, which was later approved by President Arif Alvi.



SRI LANKA

hile Pakistan makes its way through a political mess, Sri Lanka is in the grip of a crippling economic crisis. The debt-laden country is struggling to pay for imports of fuel and other goods due to a foreign exchange crisis, leading to hours-long power cuts and a shortage of essentials. The economic situation has triggered widespread street protests across the island nation, which have continued despite a weekend curfew.



back-to-back defeats

CHINA

hina's woes are not as profound as that of Sri Lanka and Pakistan but a raging Covid outbreak – the worst since Wuhan in 2020 – is now pushing the country to the brink. China's Covid-19 situation remains on a knife edge, with a lockdown of its financial hub Shanghai intensifying over the weekend amid a surge in new cases.



India is expected to closely monitor the developments in Pakistan given its long history of issues with its neighbour. While Imran had been a critic of the Indian dispensation for long, he recently switched to applauding New Delhi for its independent foreign policy. Meanwhile, there is an observable peace along the LoC since the

in Lessons From The World

ceasefire pact between the militaries of the two countries. From India's perspective though, Khan's ouster will make little difference to overall bilateral ties. There is no evidence to suggest that the Pakistan army has changed its view on using terrorism as an instrument of state policy against India and Afghanistan. The unfolding crisis also shows that Pakistan's all-powerful military still pulls the strings in the country's political corridors. Hence, the peace along the border and the situation in Kashmir is likely to remain fragile for now.

NDIA'S ROLE IN THE CRISIS: New Delhi has been a long-standing ally of Colombo. It has often extended help - monetary and otherwise - to its southern neighbour, which also serves as a strategic partner in the Indo-Pacific region. India has several investments in Sri Lanka. Nearly, 60 per cent of India's container traffic transits through the Colombo port. Separately, Sri Lanka and India had also signed a \$1 billion credit line for importing essentials, including food and medicine, and the Rajapaksa government has sought at least another \$1 billion from New Delhi

AFGHANISTAN AND MYANMAR

n both Afghanistan and Myanmar, civilian unrest is building against the hardline rulers, who are tightening their grip on power. In Afghanistan, Taliban hard-liners are turning back the clock with a flurry of repressive edicts over the past days that hark back to their harsh rule from the late 1990s. Girls have been banned from going to school beyond the sixth grade, women are

- barred from boarding planes if they travel unaccompanied
- by a male relative. Meanwhile, a military rule in Myanmar
- has plunged the country into a civil war-like situation. More 1
- than a year since the junta took power, it's facing hurdles to
- restore stability in some provinces as pro-democracy
- activists take up arms against the dictatorship.

The Criminal Procedure (Identification) Bill, 2022

he Criminal Proce dure (Identification) Bill, 2022, was passed in Lok Sabha on Monday by a voice vote, even as the opposition demanded that it be sent to the parliamentary standing or select committee for scrutiny.

at Crimi-n a 1 Procedure (Identification) Bill, 2022, makes it mandatory for certain individuals, convicted and accused of offences, to share biological personal data. The bill also authorises police to record signatures, handwriting or other behavioural attributes referred to in Section 53 or section 53A of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, for the purposes of analysis.

is it different from other laws: It seeks to define "measurements" to include finger impressions, palm-print and footprint impressions, photographs, iris and retina scan, physical, and biological samples and their analysis. It will empower the National Crime



WHY THE OPPOSITION IS AGAINST IT: The Opposition fears it will lead to misuse of the law by police forces and other law enforcement agencies. They have also dubbed it as "illegal" and "unconstitutional" and an infringement of the Fundamental Right to Privacy

and for sharing, dissemination, destruction and disposal of records It empowers a magistrate to direct any person to give his measurements; a magistrate can also direct law enforcement officials to collect fingerprints, footprint impressions and photographs in the case of a specified category of convicted and unconvicted persons; Empowers police or prison

record of measurements

officers to take measure-Records Bureau (NCRB) to colments of a person who refuslect, store and preserve the es to give measurements

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Miniature books created by Charlotte Brontë, lost for a century, may fetch \$1.25 mn at NY auction

he miniature books created by Charlotte Brontë and her siblings as children, have long been objects of fascination for fans and deep-pocketed collectors. Initially created to entertain their toy soldiers, the tiny volumes reflected the rich imaginary world they created in the isolation of the family home on the moors of northern England, which fed into novels like Charlotte's 'Jane Eyre' and Emily's 'Wuthering Heights'. Now, the last of the more than two dozen created by Charlotte to remain in private hands has surfaced and will be coming up for sale next month.



'A Book of Rhymes', a 15page volume smaller than a playing card, was last seen at an auction in 1916 in New York, where it sold for \$520 before disappear-

ing- its whereabouts, and even its survival, unknown. It will be unveiled on April 21, the opening night of the New York International Antiquarian Book Fair on Brontë's birthday at \$1.25 million **BOOK** approximately.

repetitive Marsguakes, which are similar to earthquakes, in a specific region of the Red Planet, an international team of researchers suggested. The team from the Australian National University (ANU) and the Chinese Academy of Sciences in Beijing discovered 47 previously undetected marsquakes beneath the Martian crust in an area called Cerberus Fossae, a seismically-active region on Mars that is less than 20 million years old. They speculate that magma activity in the Martian mantle, which is the inner layer of Mars sandwiched between the crust and the core, is the cause of these newly-detected Marsguakes.



The findings suggest magma in the Martian mantle is still active and is responsible for the volcanic Marsquakes, contrary to past beliefs held by scientists that these events are caused by Martian tectonic forces. According to scientists, the Marsquakes indirectly help us understand whether convection is occurring inside the planet's interior. Besides, understanding Mars' magnetic field is crucial for future missions, and also if scientists one day hope to establish human life on Mars

Koons on the Moon: Sculptures to be placed on LUNAR SURFACE

merican pop artist Jeff Koons is to send sculptures to the Moon later this year on a spacecraft blasting off from the Kennedy Space Center in Florida, his gallery said. The sculptures will travel on the 'Nova-C Lunar Lander', designed by private company Intuitive Machines, and will be placed on the surface of the Moon in the Oceanus Procellarum.

Koons, one of the most celebrated and expensive living artists, is famed for kitsch pieces, such as 'Ballon Dog' and 'Rabbit', and his work is exhibited in galleries around the world

His latest project 'Moon Phases' consists of physical sculptures that will be left permanently on the lunar surface in a transparent, thermally

coated miniature satellite, the Pace Gallery in New York

said Koons will also make unique digital versions of the sculptures, marking his entry into the lucrative new world of NFTs (non-fungible tokens)

NASA is targeting May for a test flight of Artemis-1, an

uncrewed lunar mission, ahead of an eventual crewed landing, likely no sooner than 2026

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KNOW

"Be like the sun for grace and mercy. Be like the night to cover others' faults. Be like running water for generosity. Be like the Earth for modesty. Appear as you are. Be as you appear." RUMI

NEWS TO USE

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The Fight to Save the Biology **Embattled Monarch Butterfly**

he annual mass

migration of the

orange and black

butterflies to the

coast of California, as well

as a separate odyssey to the

mountains of central Mexico, is among the grandest

of spectacles in the natural

world. But the gatherings

are becoming more spotty.

In the 1980s, the horde in

California could be esti-

mated to be four or five mil-

lion strong. Recent years

have seen a worrying slide.

In 2020, a sobering nadir was reached - fewer than 2,000 monarchs were counted in sites along the California coast, barely 1% of the historical norm

The Butterfly effect

Back in 1972, Edward Lorenz presented a speech entitled 'Predictability: Does the Flap of a Butterfly's Wings in Brazil' set off a Tornado in Texas? It is meant to explain how small and seemingly insignificant changes can sometimes lead to much bigger changes. The theory gained popularity and thus, came to be known as the Butterfly Effect. The unusual analogy is not unusual if we see it today.

Indicators of healthy ecosystem

Butterflies are sensitive to climate change and depend on a clean environment for their survival. Nectar from flowers provides butterflies with carbohydrates and amino acids for survival. In return, butterflies pollinate the plants. This pollination, also known as psychophily, results in the production of seeds, meaning more plants in the future. No wonder butterflies are also called the first botanists. Butterflies take the daytime shift while the moths get active by night as pollinators.

FALKING POINTS IN CLASSROOM

SO WHERE DID THE PHRASE LIKE A MOTH TO A FLAME COME FROM, ONE MAY ASK?

Moths are predominantly nocturnal beings. They instinctively depend on the natural source of light, that is, the moon, for their navigation. This dependence on the moon is also called transverse orientation.

When we speak of the Butterfly Effect, we can also look into the fact that but-



terflies support other organisms too. For example, birds and insects. The decline in the number of butterflies and moths will directly impact the number of birds and insects, which in turn will affect the ecosystem.

Well, the flap of butterfly wings will not cause a tornado somewhere, but a apid decline in the number of butterflies will lead to the extinction of certain plant species that depend solely on these critters for their survival. We are in the middle of the sixth extinction!

As students, while it is important to know about what's happening around the world, what is more essential is to have an in-depth perspective of events that will help you build your skill sets. Be it political, social, economic, climatic events, Times NIE presents you handpicked, curated news that will be of help to you in the classroom and give you an edge over others

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WOMEN

Pak PM Imran's Innings

Over?

Pakistan's beleaguered Prime Minister Imran Khan bowled a yorker at his rivals by getting the presidential nod for the dissolution of Parliament, a move dubbed as "unconstitutional" by the Opposition parties, which approached the apex

court to legally challenge the decision, which has pushed the coupprone country into further political and constitu-

tional crisis. Khan was expected to lose the no-confidence d motion moved by an alliance of Opposition politicians in the National Assembly, including from more than a dozen defectors from his own political party members, who announced on Monday that they had "accepted the Opposition's invitation" to vote against him. Khan's party had 155 members in the 342member National Assembly and needed at least 172 lawmakers to retain power

What is no-confidence motion?

A motion of no-confidence is a statement or vote about whether a person in a position of responsibility (government, management etc.) is

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the wee still deemed fit to hold that position. The motion is passed when

the person is found to be inadequate in some aspect, fails to carry out their obligations, or makes decisions that other members feel as being detrimental.

STUDENTS:

power

TEACHER PROMPT TO

Divide a class to groups of 4

(play Pakistan PM Imran Khan)

to convince the Assembly (fellow

classmates) why you should stay in

No prime minister in Pakistan's history has ever been ousted through a no-confidence premier to face the challenge



Day 1 of school after two years: It's a 'new us' in 'new normal'

ay 1 of school, we entered a warm' classroom, literally! While all of us were thrilled to meet our peers in person after two years of seeing them only on screens, we did miss the comforts of our home: the air conditioner running, access to mobile phones and being in our home clothes

Someone said, "Ma'am, could you please arrange for cushioned chairs, as my back aches"; another cribbed, "Oh God, why is it so hot here, can't air conditioners be installed?". The thought in my head was: "I haven't seen my phone all day, how am I going to survive being digitally disconnected?"

Everyone has become comfortable with working and studying from home, but the question remains, did these two years of online school help us? Well, because of the smooth transition to digital education by teachers,

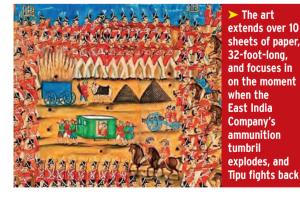
I think it has, but only to some extent. The virtual classrooms put a halt to life skills such as social bonding, etiquette development, responsible behaviour, leadership and team activities, which help in emotional intelligence. So, after two years when we packed our bags and headed to school, we saw a 'new us' in a 'new school' in a 'new normal' environment.

Masks are mandatory, we sanitise our hands with 'surgical precision', we can't share things with our friends anymore, and we try to avoid being too close to each other and everyone had the same thing to ask, "have you got vaccinated?". But some things remain the same, the mad rush of getting ready, gulping down the King-sized breakfast, and meeting up with everyone. Goodbye Covid, may we never see you again, for we'd rather see our friends and teachers

History

Tipu Painting Sold: £630,000!

vividly illustrated painting depicting a historic victory of Mysore ruler Haider Ali and his son Tipu Sultan over the East India Company in 1780 went under the hammer in London recently for whopping £630,000.



■ 'The Battle of Pollilur' took place on September 10, 1780 as part of the Second Anglo-Mysore War. As a visual record of the battle and to commemorate his victory, Tipu Sultan had commissioned a painting of the battle as part of a large mural for the newly-built Daria Daulat Bagh in Seringapatam in 1784. ■ "Tipu Sultan was probably the most effective opponent that the East India Company ever faced. Tipu showed that the Indians could fight back, that they could win... the first time that a European army is defeated in India is this Battle of Pollilur," said historian William Dalrymple.



Get children to enact the scene of auction. Let them play a bidding game of the painting. And amid the bidding, ask them to state why they really want to buy the painting. This will help teacher to better students' communication skills, history and put current affairs to use.

LEARNING IN THE CLASSROOM POINTS TO BE INCLUDED IN **Step 2:** After 4 students present, make

SPEECH: Indo-Pak relations and let each group select a leader China-Pak relations New gas pipeline Prompt the student to think as Economic con-Pakistan Prime Minister and need

dition of Pakistan Corruption in Pakistan

the class vote Aye or Nay against each of them. The best Imran wins!

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UGADI HERALDS NEW HOPES & ASPIRATIONS

Pallavi International School Gandipet

allavi International School, Gandipet, conducted a special assembly on the festive occasion of Ugadi. Groups of students from classes VI to IX performed a dance, presented songs and spoke about the significance of the Ugadi festival. Students enjoyed the special assembly as they got to learn many things about the festival during the celebrations.



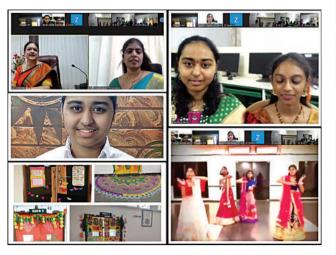
tudents of secondary school of DPS. Nacharam, celebrated Ugadi under the guidance of the Telugu department.

The programme began with the Ganesh Keerthana following which anchors Mahonidhi and Hasini welcomed the audience and illustrated the significance of Ugadi. A few volunteers from class X spoke about the Telugu seasons and their effect on our day-to-day life. Next up, students of class IX helped us visualize how the coming year would be shaping up. They mesmerized the audience with their eloquence and comic twists. Students of class X later presented

Mahonidhi, class X-J, **Delhi Public School** Nacharam

a traditional dance followed by a description of the Ugadi pachadi. The last segment had a Telugu poetry recital. The event concluded successfully under the guidance of Telugu department HOD Girija.

Principal Sunitha Rao wished the audience and announced the results of the toran decoration competition. Secondary school Vice Principal Surekha Nayani lauded the efforts put in by the students and staff.



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A learning journey begins with blessings of Goddess Saraswati

fter a break of two long years, children have started enjoying school life on campus, signalling a

new chapter in their lives. To mark this fresh beginning, DPS Nadergul conducted Aksharabhyasam for children by taking the blessings of Goddess Saraswati. Grandparents and parents of students took part in the ritual.

Delhi Public School Nadergul

blessed each and every child on this auspicious occasion. They were given new slates on which they wrote 'Om' in their language with the help of their grandparents and parents. The children took the blessing of their elders and the almighty to enter into the The principal of the school new chapter of their lives.

TRIP TO KERALA

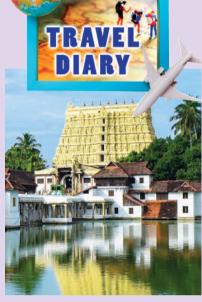
along with my family went on a laid-back vacation to Kerala in March 2021. My father booked the flight tickets from Hyderabad to Thiruvananthapuram and we had to take all the precautions required for the travel. Once we landed, we went by road to the beautiful Kovalam beach.

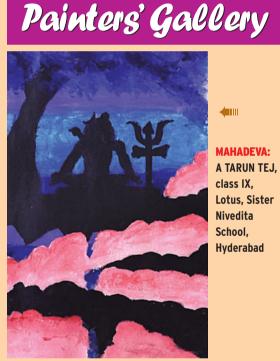
The white sand on the beach was really beautiful. The resort where we stayed was located next to the backwaters near the beach. We had a big room which also included a fridge and a kettle. We tried out Kerala cuisine which was truly delicious. The resort was well maintained with the Covid norms in place.

We had a great time relaxing in the wonderful green surroundings and watched breathtaking sunsets. We concluded our the trip after seeking the blessings of lord Anantha Padmanabha Swamy at Thiruvananthapuram city.

NAMASVI EMANI, class II, Global Edge School, Hyderabad







Teachers & staff, the founding pillars of school

rmy Public School, Bolarum, since its inception on 1st April 2002, has been striving to follow ing a niche for itself at both the state the vision to disseminate **Army Public** holistic education. The

that in last 20 years of its eventful journey, the school succeeded in carvand national level through the dedicated and committed efforts

of its staff who passionately

work as a team in bringing a sea

THE CITY OF GRANDEUR

school's Foundation Day was celebrated in which

non-teaching staff members.

She appreciated cation towards the school in these two



their relentless efforts. contribution and dedidecades. She apprised



School

change in all the students who pass the portals of the school. APSB is a vibrant centre of learning, disseminating holistic education by providing a congenial atmosphere to motivate, educate and inspire young minds fos-

tering ethical, social and





temple where God is given Sheesh Mahal and the Jahangir a gun salute everyday? Check. A memorial for so that a mughal emperor could spend a few days for a visit. Check. All the boxes in my checklist were ticked by the time I left.

All this and more can be found within Orchha, in Madhya Pradesh. When I visited the town some years back, I didn't expect to be enthralled by the town.

Draped in a time warp, this city boasts of palaces, havelis, temples and 'chattris'. There are three main palaces in the Orchha fort complex, the Raja Mahal,

Mahal. The Raia Mahal encapsulates fading murals and ornate kings? Check. A palace built only stonework. The sound and light show is set against the back-

drop of this palace. The Jahangir Mahal is a storehouse of one of finest architecture, the state has. Grandeur and ele-

gance go hand in hand as the elephant shaped doorways and the ornate

wall carvings and sculptures welcome the visitors. While exploring the fort complex, our guide told us many stories surrounding

the town. He told us Orchha means "the secret place", which was established by King Rudra Pratap Singh in the year 1501. Time stands still as the last

rays of the sun fall on the chattris, or the memorial made for the kings of old. As I sit soaking in the last rays the sun, the flowing river Betwa gurgles away to

an unknown destination. As the myriad hues of light delve into darkness, the city lights up for the night.

SHRIYAA GANGOLI, class XII, The Heritage School

Screen addiction is reducing the ability to concentrate

hones have reduced concentration and thinking capacity of students in many ways. The technology is distracting us from things like going out and playing or talking to people face to face. Many are facing mental issues as well. This will continue until students and adults collectively work together to only give phones and screens the

WEB POWER: LOUKICK CHOWDARY, class VII-B,

Obul Reddy Public School, Hyderabad

importance that they deserve, and not more.



ANJALI IYER, class X, Silver Oaks International School, Mighty Oaks Campus, Hyderabad

oday's generation is way different that from back 100 years. In today's world, if you have to do something, you need a mobile or a laptop. Or else, it's impossible! But too much screen time is leading to mental and physical problems like lack of concentration and obesity. The dependence

on gadgets cuts short new ideas developing in our mind. This will affect the whole world in future.

SAMRUDDHI KHARAT, Meridian School, Kukatpallv



required to go on with our daily lives, but children are consciously letting their subconscious take over. This is leading to indulgence and laziness. A person has to consciously choose to focus on certain things. Conscious programming of the mind is very important to reach your goals.



SOUMYA IRAGAVARAPU, class XII-A, Commerce, Gitanjali School, Begumpet



owadays the world is revolving around social media and everyone is spending hours in front of the screens. But this doesn't mean that screentime is to be blamed completely for lack of concentration. We must spend quality time with family and concentrate on

o doubt screen addiction sucks out the energy

our goals and ambitions which are much more important. We must change and only then can we truly see a change in us.



V NEHA SRI, class X, Sister Nivedita School, Hyderabad



Vaccination drive at school

he management of Delhi World School, Shadnagar,

conducted a Covid vaccination drive for students in Shadnagar the age group of 12

department to the heads of schools directing **Delhi World School**

them to safeguard students and conduct drives to get

the circular from the education



to 14 years on the school campus. them vaccinated against Covid-This was done keeping in view 19 on immediate basis.

I never wasted time getting affected by the negative things people had to say and rather used all my energy and focus to better my game. Jwala Gutta, Indian Badminton player

SIMPLY SPORTS

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MIHOPE TO TURN THINGS AROUND

ROHIT SEEKS IMPROVEMENTS ON MULTIPLE FRONTS AFTER BACK-TO-BACK DEFEATS

umbai Indians' domestic bowlers will look to step up as they take on buoyant Kolkata Knight Riders in the IPL on Wednesday, looking to turn things around after back-to-back defeats. MI have so far looked like anything but IPL's five-time champions, losing both their opening games - first against Delhi Capitals by four wickets and then against a resurgent Rajasthan Royals by 23 runs

And skipper Rohit Sharma will seek improvements on multiple fronts to effect a turnaround when they face KKR, who come into the game after beating Punjab Kings by six wickets.

NEED BETTER SHOW

For MI, pacer Basil Thampi and spinner Murugan Ashwin have proved to be weak links as they yielded 73 runs in 3 overs during RR's innings and the duo will need to produce a better show on Wednesday



In fact, Australian seamer Daniel Sams too went for runs and remained wicketless in the last two matches.

The trio will have to quickly recover from their forgettable outing against RR and bowl in the right areas if they have to contain the KKR batters.

Jasprit Bumrah, with his three-for, however, showed why he is the best in the business, particularly at the death and MI would be hoping for another stellar show from him.

favourite opposition, against whom he has a formidable record.

If Mumbai have to post a score or chase a big total, which is likely at the MCA stadium in Gahunje, Rohit and Kishan would need to fire on all cylinders.

MI has badly missed the services of Suryakumar Yadav, who is known for playing many match-winning knocks for the franchise.

Yadav has recovered from his finger injury, but it remains to be seen whether he plays or not with Rohit remaining non-committal about his availability.

SHOULDERING RESPONSIBILITY

While the emergence of unheralded N Tilak Verma, who smashed 61 off 33 balls to take MI to 81 in 8 overs against RR, was a big positive, the team still couldn't chase down a total of 193.

And the likes of Anmolpreet Singh, Tim David and West Indian Kieron Pollard will need to shoulder responsibility.

While Singh scored in single digits, David too didn't look comfortable on Indian tracks and it needs to be seen if MI brings in South Africa's U-19 star Dewald Brevis, known as 'Baby AB'.

SIX-HITTING PROWESS

For Kolkata, the biggest asset is star allrounder Andre Russell coming back to form. His six-hitting prowess was on display against Punjab Kings and he would be keen to continue from where he left.

But their top order, comprising Ajinkya Rahane and Venkatesh Iyer, faltered against Punjab and the duo would want to give the side a good start.

Skipper Shreyas Iyer has been getting starts, but a big score is due. Ditto for Sam Billings. Nitish Rana too has been far from his best and needs to go all guns blazing.

NEED A WIN TO TALLY

KKR pacer Umesh Yadav has been impressive and could pose a potential threat to MI batters, but he would need support from Tim Southee and Shivam Mavi, while the eight overs from Varun Chakravarthy and Sunil Narine can change the match situation Mumbai have won 22 times against KKR, while KKR has been victorious only seven times, and they would want to add a win to their tally. PTI

Opener Ishan Kishan has been rocking solid, smashing a brilliant 81 in the lung-opener followed by a gusty 54

Mumbai Indians' Ishan Kishan and Tilak Varma run between the wickets during the IPL 2022 match between Mumbai Indians and **Rajasthan Royals**



AT HIS BRUTAL BEST For a turn-around, Rohit himself will have

to be at his brutal best and hammer his

CRYSTAL PALACE STAY UNBEATEN

DASH ARSENAL'S HOPES OF TOP-FOUR FINISH WITH 3-0 DEFEAT

rystal Palace dominated from the start to beat Arsenal 3-0 in the Premier League on Monday as Patrick Vieira's side dealt his former team a big blow in the fight for a top-four finish. Jean-Philippe Mateta and Jordan Ayew put the Eagles in control after 24 minutes and Wilfried Zaha's secondhalf penalty added deserved gloss to the score for the hosts, who extended their unbeaten run to seven matches in all competitions and moved up to ninth in the table.

BIG LOSS

For Arsenal, the loss means it's now behind fourth-place Tottenham on goal difference, albeit with a game in hand.

Palace had held Manchester City to a goalless draw three weeks ago and the hosts made life difficult for the away side in the opening a trademark crossfield pass from the back exchanges

The opening goal came when a deep free kick by Gallagher found Joachim Andersen at the far post, who directed the ball across goal for Mateta to head in from close range for his sixth goal of the campaign.

I'm really proud. We defended well and took our chances. We scored in important moments of the game. We needed a big team performance, and we did it, so we're really pleased. **Arsenal captain**

PATRICK VIEIRA

BENT HIS SHOT

x 17

Eight minutes later, Andersen produced and Ayew was able to control the ball before he bent his shot around Ramsdale and into the bottom corner.

on Gabriel Martinelli at halftime in place of struggling left-back Nuno Tavares, who was his 11th goal of the season. AP

filling in for the injured Kieran Tierney.

HAVE DONE BETTER

Arsenal did improve after the hour mark and Emile Smith Rowe should have done better when the ball dropped for him, but his eight-yard effort was weak and straight at goalkeeper Vicente Guaita.

Martin Odegaard had an equally fine chance with 23 minutes left after being set up by one of substitute Eddie Nketiah's first touches and yet the Norway international could only steer his shot wide.

GAME TO BED

Zaha, who had wanted to join Arsenal in the summer of 2019, then put the game to bed in the 74th minute.

After he won the ball by the halfway line, the Ivory Coast attacker dribbled past Gabriel and ran at Ben White before Odegaard clipped his ankle in the area. Referee Paul Tierney Arsenal manager Mikel Arteta brought took a couple of seconds but pointed to the penalty spot and Zaha did the rest to fire home

Photo: GETTY IMAG



NO INDIANS, 4 AUSTRALIANS IN ICC'S MOST VALUABLE TEAM OF WWC

our players from champion side Australia featured in the 'Most Valuable Team' of the just-concluded ICC Women's World Cup while none from the Mithali Raj-led Indian side made the cut after their shock group exit.

In the MVT released by ICC on Monday, four Australians made the team, including Player of the Tournament Alyssa Healy, who slammed a record 170 from just 138 balls in the final against England

on Sunday. Australia skipper Meg Lanning was named captain, while her deputy Rachael Haynes and Beth Mooney were also picked in the team. The Wolvaardt smashed five half-centuries as the Pro-

teas reached the semi-finals, and is one of three South Africans selected with the others being Marizanne Kapp

and Shabnim Ismail. Two players from the runners-up England side -- Sophie Ecclestone and Nat Sciver -and one each from the West Indies -- Hayley Matthews and Bangladesh -- Salma Khatun -- complete the XI. Charlie Dean

was named the 12th player. India failed to impress in the WC which ended in New Zealand and were knocked out after their three-wicket loss to South Africa in their concluding group league match. рт

QUIZ TIME!Q1: Pen Holder grip is used in which of the following sports?A. CricketB. HockeyC. Table TennisD. BadmintonQ2: Three R's of football _ Ronaldinho, Rivaldo and Ronaldo _ are from which country?A. PeruB. MexicoC. BrazilD. USA	<section-header><text></text></section-header>	Q.6.: In which Summer Olympics introduced for the first time? A. 1976 B. 1980 C. 1984 D. 1988 Q.7.: Which is the national sport of Latvia? A. Basketball D. Ice Hockey Q.8.: Which boxing punch style is a powerful, straight punch thrown with the rear hand? A. Jab B. Hook C. Cross D. Uppercut 	 Q. Which country houses the "International Tennis Hall of Fame"? A. Canada B. England C. United States of America D. Australia ANSWERS: C. Brazil A. Germany C. 1771 B. 6 A. 1976 D. Ice Hockey C. Cross C. United States of America
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