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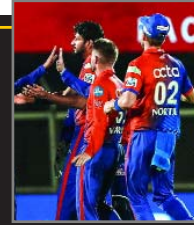
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Prices blew up in many countries post the Covid pandemic and then the Russia-Ukraine war compounded the trouble due to blocked supply chains

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17-YEAR-OLD STUDENT INVENTS low-cost prosthetic arm that can be controlled with mind



A 17-year-old student has invented a low-cost robotic arm that can be controlled by the mind. Benjamin Chol got the idea of creating a mechanical arm after watching an episode of '60 Minutes', where researchers implanted tiny sensors

into the brain of a patient, who moved a robotic arm using only her thoughts. Benjamin was impressed by the technology but was also alarmed as it required a risky open brain surgery. As the cost of replicating what researchers did on '60 Minutes' was very high, Benjamin started working on a low-cost prosthetic arm.

- As he had the experience of building robots and coding throughout his education, it became easier for him to complete the project quickly
- The high-schooler used his sister's printer and some fishing line to print the arm in small pieces. After that, he bolted and branded each part together
- To make the arm strong and durable, he had to run 75 iterations of the design. In the end, the arm was made of engineering-grade materials that can withstand up to four tons of weight
- The most impressive thing about the arm is that it uses artificial intelligence (AI) algorithm that interprets the user's

The invention costs \$300, whereas a basic, body-powered prosthetic arm in the market can cost up to \$7,000

- brain waves
- The tech uses electroencephalograph (EEG), which records the brain's electrical activity through sensors on the head
- To ensure the arm's efficiency, Benjamin worked with six volunteers and even collected their brain wave data

What pulled the RUPEE down to its lowest value?

The rupee closed at a new all-time low of 77.50 against dollar on Monday, breaching the previous record of 77.05 earlier in day. The rupee has been staggering since the beginning of the year. Foreign funds have pulled out \$17.7 billion from Indian equities this year already. Rising inflation is pervading many big economies, and as the dollar strengthens, the impact is being felt across the world. Analysts say the value of the rupee could slide further, and this comes with benefits and risks...

Why this fall

GLOBAL FACTORS:

Uncertain global economic conditions, prompting forex traders' flight-to-safety trade, have triggered a risk appetite for the dollar weakening the rupee.

THE AMERICA FACTOR:

Driven by higher treasury yields, the dollar has climbed to its highest levels in two decades as inflation surges and anticipation rises for further rate hike by the US Federal Reserve in its next review soon.

CHINA: Beijing's zero-Covid policy and slowing economic growth have further unsettled forex markets that are struggling to deal with the war, which has entered its third month in Europe.

AT HOME: Rising oil prices, a 17-month-high inflation breaking the RBI-mandated ceiling and intense selling by the foreign institutional investors - net sellers for seven months now - have pulled down the rupee to its lowest level.

WHY IS THE DOLLAR STRENGTHENING?

The 'greenback' is considered a safe-haven asset, and in the backdrop of the unstable geopolitical conditions, investors and currency traders are reposing their faith in it. So, foreign money is flooding into US businesses particularly after an aggressive Fed rate hike, because investors get better returns on their money



HOW IT WILL IMPACT COMMON MAN

IMPORTS: Importers will have to pay extra as the rupee depreciates, as they need to buy dollars to pay for imported items. A weaker rupee will push up costs of manufacturing firms in sectors like petroleum and gems and jewellery, thereby directly impacting consumers. Additionally, other imported items as well as components are also likely to get costlier, which will increase the prices for consumers. This means that cars and appliances are likely to get expensive. Escalating prices might accelerate inflation, which is already high currently. Moreover items that require imported

components, such as phones and appliances are also likely to get costly

STOCKS: Rupee depreciation is also the result of foreign investors pulling out of Indian equities. This means that there could be a sharp fall in equity markets, resulting in a decline in stock and equity mutual funds investments

BENEFITS: Once the price settles and if the depreciation sustains, export-heavy sectors could get a boost. IT and Pharma companies' earnings are expected to benefit since exporters can get more money from converting foreign currency payments into rupee. Analysts believe that a sustained depreciation can help sectors like textiles and garments where the dependence on imported raw materials is minimal. Other sectors that may benefit are labour-intensive like agriculture, footwear, and handicrafts

FOREIGN EDUCATION: Foreign education can get more expensive due to a lower currency value, as students would have to pay more rupees for every dollar due to its depreciation. Therefore, students planning to study abroad, or already studying there, will have to restructure their budget. Foreign trips will be expensive

60% of children's clothing contain toxic PFA chemicals: Report



About 60 per cent of children's clothing, including fabrics used in pillows, bedding and furniture, often with green certification, contain toxic PFA substances known as 'forever chemicals' due to their persistence in the environment. A study showed that many children's products, including those labelled as 'waterproof', 'stain-resistant', or 'environment friendly' contain harmful PFA chemicals that are not mentioned on the label.

- PFAs are a class of more than 9,000 chemicals that companies add to a wide variety of consumer products to make them non-stick, waterproof, and stain-resistant. PFAs are also used in everyday items, such as non-stick cookware, food packaging, cosmetics, and even dental floss
- These chemicals are linked to cancer, birth defects, liver disease, thyroid disorder, decreased immunity, hormonal disruption and a range of other serious health problems
- PFAS are dubbed 'forever chemicals', as they do not break down naturally and accumulate in the human body



'Doctor Strange 2' collects biggest opening of 2022

Doctor Strange and the Multiverse of Madness' grossed an estimated \$185 million in ticket sales in its first weekend in US and Canadian theatres. It provided a blockbuster start to the summer movie season...

- It's the biggest opener of the year, ahead of 'The Batman's' \$134 million. It's the second biggest of the pandemic, behind 'Spider-Man: Far From Home's' \$260.1 million. It's also the sixth biggest of all-time globally
- Internationally, it's doing even better with an estimated \$265 million

since opening on Wednesday. In total, 'Doctor Strange 2' has already made \$450 million

- The film also has a gigantic footprint. It's playing in 4,534 theatres in the US and Canada alone. Disney says this is the seventh-widest opening ever. Premium format screens, including IMAX and 3D, accounted for 36% of the overall box office

Did you know Ethiopia is 'seven years behind' rest of the World?

A video recently went viral where a TikTokker @TheKevine explained: "Ethiopia is behind like seven years. They have their own calendar, they have their own date." Yes, you read it right. Unlike most countries in the world that are currently in 2022, Ethiopia is about 7-8 years behind - it means it's still in 2014. As the TikTokker explained, Ethiopia uses its own calendar that's different from the Gregorian calendar, used by the rest of the world.

WHY IS ETHIOPIA SEVEN YEARS BEHIND?

Ethiopia's calendar takes its inspiration from the idea that Adam and Eve lived in the Garden of Eden for seven years before they were expelled for their sins. After they repented, the Bible says that God promised to save them after 5,500 years. Ethiopians call the method used to calculate the calendar 'Bahere Hasab', or 'sea of thoughts'

This country calculates the birth year of Jesus Christ differently. While the Catholic Church amended its calculation in 500 AD, the Ethiopian Orthodox Church did not



13-MONTH CALENDAR

- The Ethiopian calendar has 13 months in a year, 12 of which have 30 days. The last month, called Pagume, has five days, and six days in a leap year. In contrast, the Gregorian calendar has days that can be less or more than 30 days in a month
- This means they are between seven and eight years behind the rest of us, with 2014 getting

underway last Sept

- This is another difference - Ethiopians celebrate the beginning of a new year on 11 September 11, or September 12, if it is a leap year
- So, the people of Ethiopia, officially at least, only celebrated the turn of the millennium on September 11, 2007
- It also means that the country has many public holidays on different dates compared to other countries across the world because of this different calendar



NEWS IN CLUES

\$195 MILLION

That's the price of Andy Warhol's 'Shot Sage Blue Marilyn', which was sold at an auction recently, making the iconic portrait of Marilyn Monroe the most expensive artwork by a US artist ever sold at an auction. The 1964 silkscreen image shows Monroe in vibrant close-up - hair yellow, eyeshadow blue and lips red - on a turquoise background. It's also the most-expensive piece from the 20th century ever auctioned, according to Christie's auction house in New York, where the sale took place. Warhol created more than one image of Monroe; this particular painting has been exhibited in museums around the world

Diplomacy & Trade: Twin human binder

The idea of peaceful, voluntary cooperation through trade and diplomatic skills is something humans discovered in ancient times and continue to refine it

WHY ARE WE READING ABOUT TRADE

From elementary school, students instinctively grasp the importance of trade as the key to a good deal. From games to Pokémon, or crackers and chips at lunch, students understand they can achieve better outcomes through trade.

SO HOW DID IT ALL BEGIN?

The history of trade dates to prehistoric times, as individuals sought to improve their well-being through trade. It started with simple exchange of goods called barter system.



TYPES OF TRADE

Domestic trade

Domestic trade is the exchange of goods within a country. It allows different types of goods to reach all parts of the country.

> **Wholesale:** is the sale of goods to industrial, commercial, institutional or other businesses. It is the sale of goods to anyone that is not a consumer.

> **Retail:** is the process of selling goods or services to consumers through different distribution channels. A retailer sells a small amount of goods to many individuals, who are consumers.



International trade

International trade is the exchange of goods and services between different countries. International trade has existed throughout history. For example Uttarapatha, Silk Road, Amber Road, scramble for Africa, Atlantic slave trade, salt roads.

> **Import:** is goods or services bought by one country that is produced in another country.

> **Export:** is goods or services produced in one country & sold to another.

> **Entrepôt:** An entrepôt is a port, city, or trading post where goods may be imported, stored or sold. These cities grew because of the growth of long-distance trade.

TAKEAWAYS FROM ACTIVITY

- > Photo description will lead to language enhancement and general knowledge
- > The ability to use the art

- > of diplomacy
- > Learn leadership values and know to be solution-centric



Who are diplomats and what role do they play in betterment of ties?

- > First, diplomats are front-seat witnesses to many world events, serving our nation 24/7 around the globe in often dangerous or unhealthy situations, or working with highly complex societies where knowledge of the local language and culture is essential for success.
- > They work on important issues such as environment, climate change, counterterrorism, women's rights, conflict resolution, human trafficking, and the need to preserve cultural and intellectual property.
- > Diplomats promote business to create new and better paying jobs, and they help foreign countries protect basic human rights like freedom of speech, religion etc.
- > Foreign Service officers are often the first on the scene during natural disasters around the world, and save people who get lost or sick or who have been victims of crimes.



LESSON PLAN FOR STUDENTS



TEACHER PROMPT: Show the photos to students (in groups) and discuss the following:

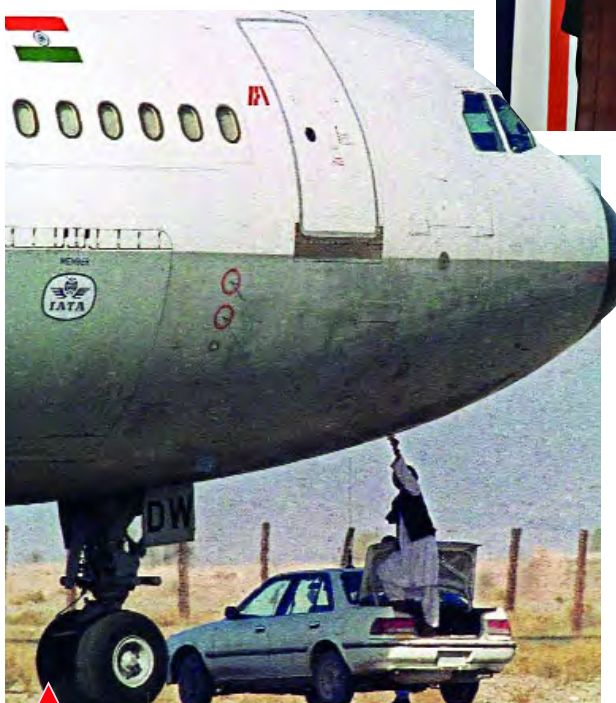
- What is the mood of each picture?
- What is going on in the minds of the participants in the picture?
- What was the outcome of the dialogue?
- What skills worked in resolving the issue? (discuss each photo's political climate)



French President Emmanuel Macron, left, winks as he shakes hands with Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy after a joint news conference following their talks in Kyiv, Ukraine on February 8, 2022



Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, Boris Johnson, at the Joint Press Statement at Hyderabad House, in New Delhi in April this year



In this picture taken on December 27, 1999, a Taliban security personnel receives a paper on which the hijackers of Indian Airlines flight IC-814 put their demands at Kandahar Airport. India accused Pakistan in March 19, 2008, of refusing to hand over hijackers involved in the 1999 seizure of a domestic passenger airline that was commandeered to then Taliban-ruled Afghanistan



On February 28, 1999 Atal Bihari Vajpayee, then Prime Minister of India with Nawaz Sharief, former Prime Minister of Pakistan, at the Lahore Bus Seva ceremony

5 REASONS WHY DIPLOMACY IS A SKILL IN THE SCHOOL OF LIFE

RESPECTING EVERYONE'S OPINION

1 The diplomat remembers, first and foremost, that some of the vehemence with which we can insist on having our way draws energy from an overall sense of not being respected or heard within a relationship. Diplomats know the intensity with which humans crave respect. They play a key role in recognising everyone's opinions, while logically defending theirs'.

TACKLING FEAR

2 Diplomats know the difference between having a correct diagnosis of how someone needs to grow and a relevant way to help them do so. They know that what holds people back from evolution is fear. Therefore, they work towards offering those, whom we want to acknowledge difficult things, warmth and reassurance.

WORK TOWARDS LARGER TRUTH

3 In negotiations, the diplomat is not addicted to indiscriminate or heroic truth telling. They appreciate the legitimate place that minor lies can occupy in the service of greater truths. Diplomats know that a small lie may have to be the guardian of a big truth.

STAYING CALM AND SERENE

4 Another trait of the diplomat is to be serene in the face of obviously bad behaviour: a sudden loss of temper, a wild accusation, a very mean remark. They don't take it personally and reach instinctively for reasonable explanations and solutions.

WHEN TO ENGAGE & SIDE STEP

5 A diplomat understands that there are moments to sidestep a direct engagement. They wait until the right moment to speak so that they are heard. At points, they disarm difficult people by reacting in unexpected ways. In the face of a tirade, instead of going on the defensive, a diplomatic person might suggest some lunch!

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Oil to wheat, story of a dependent WORLD: TRADE BUILDS PALS

By Elizabeth Thomas

Chief Mentor, Tale Tellers,

Training the teachers with Tale Tellers Jr, Elizabeth comes in with over 10 years experience in training and human resource management. She also has a rich industry experience



As we approached the petrol pump, my husband, looking at the rate, said, "Looks like we have to cut our monthly fuel expenses as the petrol prices are rising day by day". My son was quick to ask, "But why Dad?" To which, my husband replied: "Because we need to import oil and when the global oil prices go up, we end up paying more for our fuel expenses." The puzzled look on my son's face through the rearview mirror made me realise that kids need to know what is export and import.

Natural resources map

Just like the geographical map, expose your children to Indian and worldwide natural resource maps. This will make them understand clearly that natural resources are spread across the world and that is why countries need to depend on each other for

co-existence. Please make it a point to stress upon human resources and outsourcing resources, as the same may not appear on the map.

Link it with examples

Linking the same with real-life examples like how much India is dependent on oil and how India is looking at exporting nearly 10 million tonnes of wheat in FY23 to bridge the supply gaps arising from the Russia-Ukraine conflict, would get the child inclined to thinking. We can also take domestic examples of how one home can have more resources and how the neighbourhood can co-exist.

Connect Currency

While learning about trade, it's imperative that the child must learn how the currency is linked to import and export. This can be done by quoting the right comparison between Indian Rupee and the US dollar. This will get the child to learn that the more we depend on the outside world, the more our currency depreciates and vice-versa.



It's Splish & Splash time!



Activities galore ahead of summer break

With temperatures soaring, what better way to 'Beat the Heat', than water play! It is not only a good way to cool off but has proven benefits in terms of improving gross and fine motor skills of children!

Delhi Public School, Mahendra Hills organised class-wise Splash Play for students right from the Pre-Primary levels. The onset of the Splash Play event was marked by seeking the blessings of the Almighty by Vice Principal I Sudha. The

**Delhi Public School
Mahendra Hills**

students were then introduced to the indoor baby pool at the school under the supervision of our trained swimming coaches.

The objective of the Splash Play event is to familiarise the students with water, to help them ease in, to help them face and overcome any fear of water which they may have.

The students began with simple warm up exercises outside the pool

to acclimatise them and get their muscles ready.

This was followed by hand and leg movements in water as a preview to swimming.

They were then given Free Play time wherein they had fun splashing water.

Needless to say that all this was under supervision of a life guard. All safety protocols being followed.

It was a sight for sore eyes, to see the students laugh and have their day in the pool! It was indeed a task to get them out of the water and back to the classrooms!



Tring! The school bell of Gitanjali Devshala came alive this summer and with it the sound of little feet filled the school corridors. Children soaked in the summer warmth and indulged in a variety of back-to-school activities. The onset of spring brought joy and vibrancy, with the string of events and fun activities in Nursery and PP1.

Celebration of Ugadi and Easter added to the festive spirit. Children enjoyed the puppet show, water play and the cool clicks at the photo booth. The Spring Fest brought colourful blossoms, buzzing studies and the cheerful childhood back to all our lives.

Gitanjali Devshala Hyderabad



HANDLOOMS SHOWCASED AS PART OF OUR CULTURE



World Heritage Day was celebrated at Pallavi Model School during which handlooms and the weaver community were showcased as a part of our tangible heritage.

The event started with students of classes VII to XII assembled in the corridors of the school. Emcees Diya Kaushik and Harshpreet Kaur began with an insightful talk on Heritage Day and the importance of handlooms. It was the turn

**Diya Kaushik, class IX-A,
Pallavi Model School**

Alwal, Hyderabad

of teachers to take centre-stage as they took part in a ramp walk with a big round of applause from all the students!

The teachers wore handloom sarees from different states of India and

applause did not stop from the start till the end of the show. The teachers even danced on one the most trending songs which lightened the atmosphere further.

With this, the event ended with a short note about the importance of handlooms and the hard work of weavers behind their making, it concluded with the note of promoting and preserving our culture with the help of handlooms and more.

All-round skills on display at Jam session



"THE ART OF COMMUNICATION IS THE LANGUAGE OF LEADERSHIP".

Just a Minute, popularly referred to as JAM, is an innovative way of testing the speaker's presence of mind, fluency of language, ability to connect their thoughts on the given topic and overall communication skills of the participants.

The speakers were the students from Checkpoint 5 and 6 of Gitanjali Primary School. The participants took up the chal-

Gitanjali Primary School

lenge wholeheartedly and spoke on various topics given, showcasing their logical flow of thoughts, coherence of ideas, spontaneity and general knowledge in just a minute.

The contest enriched one and all. The students found the competition very educative. It gave them an opportunity to build their self-confidence.

Exploring the majestic OU campus

Students of class X recently visited the Osmania University campus during its open day titled 'Osmania Taksh.' The students first toured the century old building of Zoology and Botany departments, the enormous entrance had a flamboyant mind map of the biological kingdoms in the form of a rangoli.

**Nuha Farruq Kaleem,
class X-A, UNICENT School
Nagole, Hyderabad**

One of the volunteers quizzed the students on the basic classification of living things and their characteristics. As the exploration continued, we discerned many more pictorial depictions of taxonomic hierarchies and details about endangered and dangerous animals. We reached the Natural History Museum established in the year 1931. The museum included fluid preserved specimens, bone structures of various creatures which included both extinct and available animals and taxidermy models.

Dr Srinivasulu, who has been conferred with the title 'Bat man of India,' gave the students a brief description of how these specimens are made and maintained. We were also enlightened about the process of restoration of skeletal remains and necromancy. After that we explored the central labs of animal physiology, neurobiology and the microscopy facility. The professors and research scholars familiarized us with the equipment used in those labs and we were totally fascinated by the neuromuscular coordination experiment which was shown practically.



MY ROOM

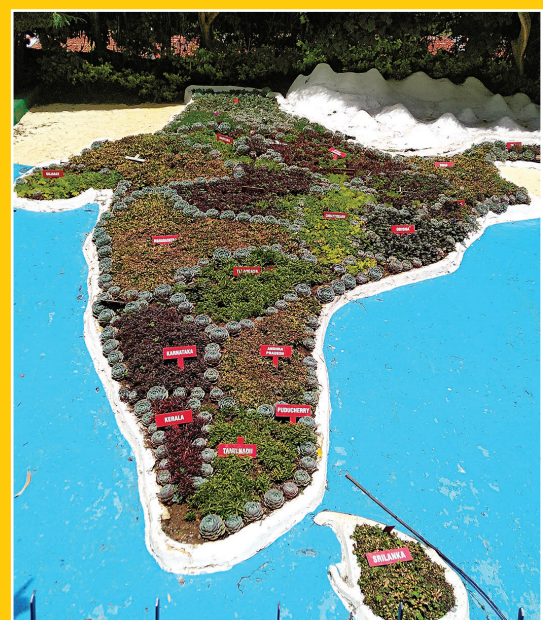


I love my room, In the ancient Rome
It is soo cosy in here, Which will make me cheer

It has the best bed, Which blanket is red
With a table near the shed, Which is beside the bed

This is my favorite room
Which has a fragrance of a perfume
With the curtains in yellow, And a toy buffalo

**HAMSINI PRAAGNA S, class V-B, Bharatiya Vidya
Bhavans Public school Vidyashram, Jubilee Hills**



Ooty, in nature's lap

I went on the most memorable trip with my family and relatives to Ooty, a first trip for me outside Hyderabad.

Until then I had seen several places across the world, but only on TV! Thanks to my uncle who planned this trip, our trip was packed with a lot of sightseeing and activities.

The road journey was exciting as we would stop in the middle of the forest to cook food on a mini stove. As we entered Tamil Nadu, it was hard to communicate with locals who knew to speak only Tamil. Luckily my mom could converse in Tamil and we managed. It took us two days to reach our destination.

**V Srinath, class IX-D,
Bharatiya Vidya
Bhavan's Public School
Jubilee Hills**

After we reached Ooty, we first checked into a hotel with a nice big room. After freshening up, we were all ready to see the beauty of Ooty. The rose garden is the most lovely

place there, the fresh roses and the smell in the atmosphere was super. We found that chocolates and tea are the cheapest things there because of the presence of factories. The tea gardens are super fresh. Finally, after spending three days over there we returned. The trip truly made me very happy!



COOKING SHOULD BE MADE A PART OF SCHOOL CURRICULUM

It is important to make children and teenagers learn cooking as it is an art which requires skills and expertise. Many children love to cook at home, and if this becomes a part of the school curriculum it would be more favourable. Cooking can help make children take up responsibility and make healthier diet choices. They can choose healthier lifestyle rather than ordering food constantly. It is a skill for basic survival.

**M MOUNYA SRI,
class X,
Jasmine, Sister
Nivedita School,
Hyderabad**



AGAINST

Cooking is a part of life. It is a skill. It is the magic of hands that tantalises the taste buds. Nowadays there is more demand for a variety of food. Cooking has also become business. So, cooking can be a part of school as a life skill class because it helps to identify and extract the talent of the child and encourage him/her in becoming experts. Cooking is also a stressbuster. If it is part of school curriculum, it will be a fun class for children.

AKSHAY, class IX, Daksha, Hyderabad

The school doesn't need to teach cooking. It is just a burden for students. There are many online videos on cooking. We can learn cooking from those online videos. Sometimes students can cook tasty food but not healthy, meaning that teachers might not know if this food is healthy or not. Cooking is also an activity that needs a lot of focus from students. Sometimes students

can burn and cut their fingers when the teacher is busy with other students. Cooking is also important in our life but, as we go to the higher class, we should focus on our education. So, I would prefer cooking as an optional class in the school curriculum.



**YAMALA RITHWIK, class VIII,
Daksha, Hyderabad**



DEBATE



mom was out of station and I was stuck because I had to cook for myself. It was early in the morning I didn't know cooking, I couldn't even order as all the restaurants were closed It was then that I realised the importance of cooking. If schools start to teach cooking, it would be really helpful for all of us. It would be really fun to cook accompanied by friends.

**BHAVYA
LAKKIMSHETTY, class
X, Sister Nivedita
School, Hyderabad**



FOR

Cooking is a very important activity in our life. I realised this recently when

DC AIM TO BOUNCE BACK AGAINST RR

DELHI NEED TO WIN ALL THREE MATCHES FOR A SHOT AT PLAYOFFS

Sanju Samson

Rishabh Pant

Delhi Capitals will aim to quickly recover from their loss in the previous match to stay in the IPL play-offs race while Rajasthan Royals will be eager to hold on to their winning momentum when the two teams clash on Wednesday. The Capitals have lost six of their 11 games and although they are fifth on the points table, they are bunched alongside Sunrisers Hyderabad and Punjab Kings, who also have 10 points from as many games. Delhi has the advantage of a positive Net Run Rate (+0.150) but the Capitals need to win all their remaining three matches for a shot at the playoffs.

ence as the South African hasn't been able to replicate his fiery performance from the previous seasons. Khaleel Ahmed has been economical while Axar Patel has bowled well.

BREAK THE OVERDEPENDENCE

In the batting department, David Warner has enjoyed a good run but the Australian has got little assistance from his opening partners, who have ranged from Prithvi Shaw to Mandeep Singh to Srikanth Bharat. This biggest downer for Delhi has been Rishabh Pant's form. He has shown glimpses of his destructive power but the team would want more from its skipper who can single-handedly turn around any game.

The Royals have arguably the best bowling side. With 22 wickets at 14.50, Yuzvendra Chahal leads the bowling charts this season and alongside R Ashwin, Trent Boult and Prasidh Krishna, the Rajasthan attack has the ability to defend any total. One of the positives for the Royals is that they have been able to break the overdependence on Orange Cap holder Jos Buttler, who has had a quite couple of outings. Given a chance to play after over a month, young Yashasvi Jaiswal shone with a fine half-century against Punjab, providing the otherwise faltering batting department a boost. But going ahead Sanju Samson and Devdutt Padikkal need to shoulder more responsibility. The Royals will miss the services of Shimron Hetmyer who flew back to Guyana for the birth of his child. The last time the two sides met drama ensued in the final over due to the no-ball controversy. RR ended up winning the clash and Delhi would hope they can be on the right side of the result this time round. AGENCIES

TWO WINS TO QUALIFICATION

Rajasthan, on the other hand, are sitting on the third spot with 14 points and need just two wins to be certain of qualification. They have a healthy 0.326 NRR, which could come in handy even if they lose their remaining games. DC have been one of the most inconsistent teams in the league this season as they have struggled to keep the winning momentum going. After a moral-boosting win against Sunrisers, they were handed a 91-run thrashing by CSK.

Their bowlers looked clueless against Devon Conway, who was hitting boundaries and sixes at will as CSK set a 200 plus target. Delhi's bowling department has n't inspired confidence. While Kuldeep Yadav is having a good season, the left-arm spinner has gone for runs aplenty in the previous two games. The return of pace spearhead Anrich Nortje has also not made much of a differ-

Delhi Capitals will have to fire on all cylinders against a formidable Rajasthan side

Upcoming IPL Match



VS



MAY 11

7.30 PM

Dr DY Patil Sports Academy, Mumbai

INDIA CRUSH USA 4-1; ENTER QFs

SINDHU DOMINATES BOTH THE GAMES

India stormed into the quarterfinals of the ongoing BWF Uber Cup 2022 after crushing USA 4-1 in Bangkok. In the Group D encounter, World No. 7 PV Sindhu started the proceedings against Jennie Gai. Sindhu completely dominated both the games and clinched victory 21-10, 21-11 in a match that lasted 26 minutes.

UBER CUP 2022

In the second clash, the women's doubles pair of Tanisha Crasto and Treasa Jolly thrashed Francesca Corbett and Allison Lee 21-19, 21-10 in the encounter that lasted 34 minutes.

Aakarshi Kashyap locked horns with Esther Shi in the third match. The USA shuttler lost 18-21, 11-21 in 34 minutes.

Then, the duo of Shruti Mishra and Simran Singhi lost to Lauren Lam and Kodi Tang Lee. After losing in the first game by 12-21, the Indian pair made a



Aakarshi Kashyap

comeback winning the second game 21-17. But the pair from the USA clinched victory in the third game 21-13.

In the final clash, Ashmita Chaliha took on Natalie Chi. The Indian shuttler beat her opponent 21-18, 21-13 in 31 minutes.

Earlier, Team India had defeated Canada 4-1 in their opening match.

With two back-to-back wins, India have secured their quarterfinals spot. ANI

SWIATEK READY FOR TITLE DEFENCE IN ROME

SHE FEELS LIKE A DIFFERENT PLAYER

Iga Swiatek said she feels like a different player from a year ago and will go into her Italian Open title defence having cemented herself at the top of the women's game following a blistering start to the season.

The 20-year-old, who went from being an unknown teenager to acquiring celebrity status after capturing a maiden Grand Slam title at the 2020 French Open, triumphed in Rome last year by hammering Karolina Pliskova 6-0 6-0 in the final.

Replacing Ash Barty at the top of the world rankings following the Australian's shock retirement in March, Swiatek has adjusted well to the pressure of having a target on her back.

She skipped this year's Madrid Open because of a shoulder injury and arrives at the venue of her first WTA 1000 crown looking to add to ti-

ties in Doha, Indian Wells, Miami and Stuttgart and extend her 23-match winning run.

"I feel like I'm a different player right now. Last year ... I still was trying to find some kind of consistency in the wins I had and also confirmation that Roland Garros wasn't just like a (one-off) tournament," Swiatek told reporters.

Swiatek said the break after Stuttgart helped her stay fresh. "I had five or six days off without the racquet, which was nice," added Swiatek, who faces either Shelby Rogers or Alison Riske. "It's pretty good to have the opportunity to do something like that in between tournaments, in the middle of the season."

"I feel I'm more fresh ... mentally and physically I had time to rest." REUTERS



Iga Swiatek

QUIZ TIME!

Q1: How many IPL finals has Mahendra Singh Dhoni played in?

- a) 5
b) 6
c) 7
d) 8

Q2: Up till 2021, which season(s) had the most number of hat-tricks?

- a) 2014
b) 2008 and 2017
c) 2009 and 2013
d) 2016

Q3: Which cricketer scored four hundreds in IPL 2016?

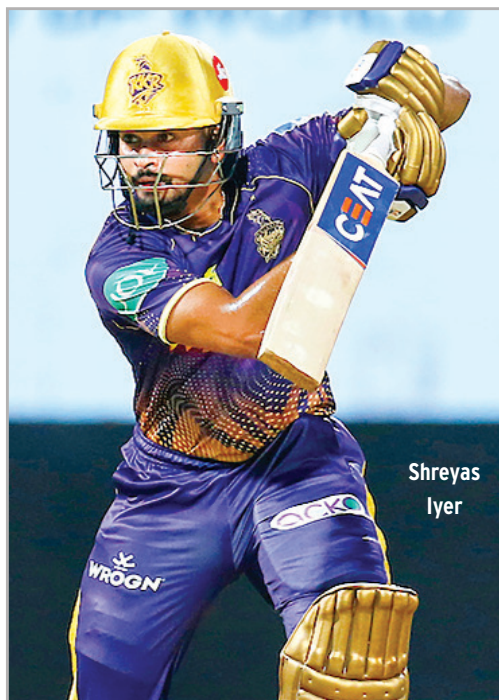
- a) Jacques Kallis
b) Suresh Raina
c) Virat Kohli
d) Brendon McCullum

Q4: Which cricketer hit the winning runs for Rajasthan Royals in the 2008 IPL?

- a) Shane Warne
b) Sohail Tanvir
c) Graeme Smith
d) Yusuf Pathan

Q5: Shreyas Iyer is the new captain of which IPL team?

- a) CSK b) MI c) RCB d) KKR



Shreyas Iyer

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Q6: Which cricketer has won the greatest number of IPL titles so far?

- a) Gautam Gambhir
b) Virat Kohli
c) Dwayne Bravo
d) Rohit Sharma

Q7: Who was the captain of the Mumbai Indians in IPL 2012?

- a) Rohit Sharma
b) Sachin Tendulkar
c) Harbhajan Singh
d) Robin Uthappa

Q8: So far, which player was the oldest to win the

Purple Cap, given to the highest wicket-taker in the tournament?

- a) Imran Tahir
b) Lasith Malinga
c) Ashish Nehra
d) Harbhajan Singh

Q9: How many teams was Parthiv Patel a part of before IPL 2018?

- a) 6 b) 5 c) 4 d) 3

ANSWERS:

1. c. 7 2. b. 2008 and 2017
3. c. Virat Kohli 4. b. Sohail Tanvir
5. d. KKR 6. d. Rohit Sharma
7. c. Harbhajan Singh 8. a. Imran Tahir
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