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Young spinner Vaishnavi stars in third ODI as India sweep series



Pratika Rawal
PLAYER OF THE SERIES





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Spinner Vaishnavi was the star of the show with a five-wicket haul

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA ■ Vadodara

Vaishnavi Sharma's five-wicket haul and Pratika Rawal's classy half-century headlined India's thumping eight-wicket win over Zimbabwe in third Women's ODI as the hosts completed a 3-0 series sweep on Wednesday.

Young Indian left-arm spinner Vaishnavi Sharma foxed the Zimbabwean batters with her flight and guile, limiting the visitors to 131 all out in 39.5 overs. Playing her third ODI, Vaishnavi ran through the opposition to end with figures of five for 39 in 10 overs. The 20-year-old had taken four wickets in the second ODI here. Pratika ensured a straight forward chase for India with a brisk 59 not out off 56 . Batting at four, Shafali Verma ted 51 not out off 26 balls to end e formalities in just 17 overs.

Captain Smriti Mandhana sent Yastika Bhatia to open the innings alongside Pratika but the left-hander squandered the opportunity. She went for a cross batted stroke off her very first ball to be caught at mid-on.

Following her 100 and 61 in the first two games, Pratika once again milked the Zimbabwe bowlers. A four on either side square of the wicket got her going before she went on to post her 10th half-century in her 30th ODI. Shafali then joined Pratika in middle and typically accelerated the proceedings with barrage of boundaries. It was the first time India and Zimbabwe played a bilateral series. India had also won the preceding T20 series 3-0. The visitors on the other hand got much needed experience of playing a top side in women's cricket.

Earlier, Vaishnavi was not afraid to give the ball air and Zimbabwe batters could not resist the bait, contributing to their rapid downfall. Opener Modester Mupachikwa top-scored for the visitors with 37 off 48 balls. A series of soft dismissals early in the innings put pressure on Zimbabwe team, which has been struggling with its batting all through white-ball tour of India. Pacer Sayali Satghare struck in her first over with opener Loryn Phiri getting faint tickle down leg side.

Number three Chipo Mugeri-Tiripano was the next to depart after she cut a regulation ball from Shafali Verma straight to the point fielder. The it was the turn of Vaishnavi to weave a spin web around the opposition batters.

She first got rid of Beloved Biza before deceiving the in-form Mupachikwa. Sensing that Mupachikwa would step out, Vaishnavi went for a wide tossed up delivery to have the batter stumped by wicket-keeper Bhatia. Her fifth and final wicket came on the last ball of her spell as Nyasha Gwanzura went for a wild slog sweep that ricocheted from the pads on to her stumps.

Abhishek topples Ishan Kishan to become world Number 1 batter in T20I rankings



PRESS TRUST OF INDIA ■ Dubai

India opener Abhishek Sharma on Wednesday reclaimed the world Number 1 spot in the ICC men's T20 International batting rankings following his sensational century against New Zealand in Wellington.

Abhishek hammered his fourth T20I century on Tuesday, smashing 113 off just 38 balls in the third T20I to power India to a six-wicket win and dislodge compatriot Ishan Kishan from the top of the world rankings.

Kishan was forced to miss the second and the third T20Is of the five-match series due to an injury. He has dropped to the third spot in which the second spot is now occupied by Pakistan T20I skipper Sahibzada Farhan. "The innings was enough to see the left-hander displace teammate Ishan Kishan and move back into the No.1 spot for T20I batters," ICC wrote on its website.

Abhishek has a total of 897 rating points followed by Farhan with 883, and Kishan with 866.

Kishan had become the top ranked batter in July after his commendable performances in Ireland, taking the spot from Abhishek. India's T20I captain Shreyas Iyer, meanwhile, has slipped five positions to be ranked world No. 9 with 758 rating points. South Africa's Marco Jansen, meanwhile, replaced Ravindra Jadeja as the top-ranked all-rounder in Test cricket following his all-round performances against Australia in their ongoing Test series.

Jansen has also become the world's top-ranked Test bowler. He replaced Australia ace pacer Mitchell Starc, who has dropped to the second position.

"Jansen earns the top billing in two categories for first time in his career on back of standout performance for Proteas during their victory over Australia in second ICC World Test Championship contest in Gqeberha, with left-armer contributing 85 runs with bat and a match-turning five-wicket haul during the visitors' first innings," the ICC said.

Sanju showed character with move to drop himself down: Abhishek

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA ■ Wellington

Flamboyant opener Abhishek Sharma lauded his regular opening partner Sanju Samson for sacrificing his slot for teenager Vaibhav Sooryavanshi during the third T20 International against New Zealand, which India won by six wickets.

Abhishek smashed a brilliant 38-ball 113 and added a whopping 133 runs in seven overs with Sooryavanshi (45 off 19 balls), who was promoted up order after batting at Number 3 in previous game.

Sooryavanshi got a chance after Ishan Kishan sustained a groin injury, but in the second game, it was Samson who won the Player of the Match award for his 61 and then decided to hand over his slot to the younger Sooryavanshi.





"The way Sanju bhai batted in the last game, it is not easy to let go of one's familiar batting position. That showed his character, someone's going at his position. We can see in the team that everyone is selfless, everyone is happy for everyone, which is the hallmark of a great team," Abhishek told Sooryavanshi in a conversation facilitated by BCCI.TV.

Abhishek, who hit 11 sixes, also lauded the 15-year-old for starting the innings with a lofted boundary.

"When Vaibhav hit the first ball, he showed aggression. I saw that at the non-striker's end, and when you see such a shot, you also feel pumped up. So, special mention and credit to Vaibhav for how he played," Abhishek said, praising the 'Boy Wonder'.

On a lighter note, Abhishek said that Vaibhav is so passionate about batting that it almost becomes difficult to pull him out of the nets.

Du Plessis recalls Dhoni's removal as RPS captain



PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
■ New Delhi

Faf du Plessis recalled the shock surrounding MS Dhoni's removal as Rising Pune Supergiants captain after the 2016 IPL season, saying Steve Smith handled the difficult situation well and led the team to the final in his first season as skipper.

Speaking on Cricinfo's show 'Cricketers on Cricketers', former South Africa skipper du Plessis said the decision to replace Dhoni, one of the most successful captains in the tournament's history, left everyone surprised.

"MS Dhoni was removed as captain of Rising Pune Supergiants after the end of the 2016 IPL season, and that's the biggest move you can make in a tournament of that stature. We hadn't won a couple of games, and the owner at the time made the decision to change the captain. Everyone was shocked after that call," du Plessis said.

"MS Dhoni as captain was gone, and Steve Smith was the new captain. That was pretty early on in his leadership career. He wasn't experienced, but he did a good job." Du Plessis said Smith faced a challenging situation with Dhoni continuing to be part of the team after losing the captaincy.



BT Golf returns for 27th season

BHOOMIKA SHARMA ■ New Delhi

Former Indian cricket captain Kapil Dev has expressed his happiness at golf gaining wider recognition in India, highlighting the sport's growing appeal among the country's corporate community as BT Golf entered its 27th season.

Kapil Dev, President of DP World PGTI, said the association would provide more members of India Inc with an opportunity to experience golf and understand the values of discipline, patience and sportsmanship associated with the game.

He also remarked that he had made more friends through golf than he had during his cricket career, highlighting how the sport brings people together beyond professional boundaries.

The partnership brings together connect with the corporate sector and DP World PGTI's expertise in professional golf. The collaboration aims to strengthen ties between the business community and the sport while creating opportunities for greater corporate participation.

BT Golf will continue with its multi-city format, covering eight cities this season, with scope for further expansion. Kolkata is scheduled to host the opening leg on October 31 at the Tollygunge Club.



Amandeep Johl, CEO of DP World PGTI, highlighted the opportunities the association could create for professional golfers, particularly through interactions with business leaders and the development of professional networks.

Cabinet approves Khelo India Sports Goods Manufacturing Scheme with outlay of over ₹1,800 crore

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA ■ New Delhi

The Union Cabinet on Wednesday approved the Khelo India Sports Goods Manufacturing Scheme that aims to strengthen country's position in the global sports goods sector with initiatives like the development of dedicated Sports Goods Manufacturing Zones.

The scheme has been approved with a total outlay of ₹1,856.67 crore for the period 2026 to 2033-34. Announced in the Union Budget 2026-27, the scheme seeks to strengthen India's sports goods manufacturing base through research and innovation, skill development, quality certification and market development.

"The scheme will support the development of a globally competitive sports goods industry and strengthen India's position in global supply chains," stated a PIB release. Sports Minister Mansukh Mandaviya said the scheme will empower the youth of the country through new employment opportunities and drive investments.

"India Plays, India Manufactures! Under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri @narendramodi ji, the Union Cabinet today approved the 'Khelo India Sports Goods Manufacturing Scheme' with an outlay of ₹1,856.67 crore. The resolution of Budget 2026-27 is now becoming a reality on the ground," Mandaviya said in a tweet. "Now, not only Indian athletes, but sports equipment made in India will also elevate the pride of the tricolour across the world. This historic step will empower our Yuva Shakti through new employment opportunities, drive massive investments, and realize the ultimate vision of an Aatmanirbhar and Viksit Bharat."

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1.	23_SrDEE_G_MB_2026 IICall:- Electrical work for Interlocking of LC gates TUV > 20000 in the section of ADSTE/MB of Moradabad Division	1,47,34,145.70 (Including GST)	Electrical Branch, Divisional Railway Manager's office, Northern Railway, Moradabad	2,94,700.00	6 (Six) Months	Tender will be received upto 15:00 hrs and opened at 15:00 hrs on 19.11.2026	Website www.ireps.gov.in Divisional Railway Manager's, office, Northern Railway, Moradabad
2.	38_SrDEE_G_MB_2026:- Electrical work in connection with Construction/ Improvement of Rest House/Holiday home, Community centre and other service buildings at Haridwar and Nearby Stations in C/W Kumbh Mela-2027.	36,86,276.09 (Including GST)		73,700.00			

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Top para athlete Neeraj Yadav dies by suicide



PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
■ New Delhi

Asian Para Games gold medallist Neeraj Yadav has died by suicide after consuming poison at his residence, with the athlete reportedly under emotional stress following a doping suspension that ruled him out of the Games in Japan and the end of his friendship with a woman.

His body was taken to Delhi's GTB Hospital for a post-mortem examination on Wednesday. The circumstances surrounding his death are yet to be established.

"I don't understand why he took this extreme step when there are so many avenues for para-athletes to earn a livelihood. He could have become a coach. Things have changed for para-athletes compared to 40 years ago.

"He had also received good prize money for the gold he won at the 2018 Asian Para Games in Jakarta," he added.

The F55 classification is used for seated field events in para-athletics, including the shot put, discus and javelin.

NORTHERN RAILWAY
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The Bids have been Invited on 12.11.2026 at 11:00 am under E-Auction for 3 years on "Contract for packing of two wheeler and other parcel packing service near outward parcel shed" at Moradabad Division of Bareilly Station through **www.ireps.gov.in.** The detailed terms and conditions for the same are available on the website itself.
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