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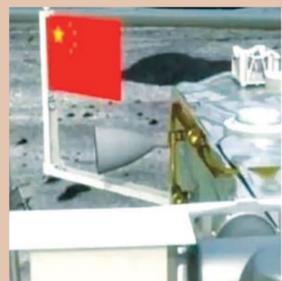
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WEB EDITION

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China unfurls its flag on Moon before return trip to Earth

More than a half-century after the US astronauts first planted the Stars and Stripes on the Moon, China replicated the feat — though unmanned — by unfurling its Red flag on the lunar surface. Chang'e 5's ascent vehicle lifted off on Thursday night with a load of lunar rocks, the first stage of its return to the Earth.



The flag was unfurled with a rod-type structure that is applied in solar panels extending for satellites and other types of spacecraft

THE MISSION The probe touched down on Tuesday on the Sea of Storms for a mission to collect about 4 pounds of rocks and bring them back to Earth — the first return of samples since a Soviet spacecraft did so in 1976

The lander, which remained on the Moon, drilled about 6 feet into the surface and scooped samples — as well as photographed the area and used ground-penetrating radar to check for minerals and water

Remote-controlled cars to fly to the MOON FOR A RACE!

Yes, you heard it right. In a first, a pair of remote control race cars will soon be landing on the Moon to race across the lunar surface. They will be driven by high school kids.

INTO THE FUTURE

According to a report in Daily Mail, Moon Mark, an entertainment and education company, is all set to sponsor the race that will see students compete to design and drive one of the two racers. Once on the Moon, the lander, called the Nova-C, will touchdown the sandy dunes of Oceanus Procellarum, a plain near the western edge of the Moon and now soon-to-be race circuit.

Each car will weigh 2.5kg and the lander to get them to the surface will weigh another 3kg approx



HOW IT WILL WORK

- The winning teams will work with McLaren P1 designer Frank Stephenson to create a vehicle that will race across the low-gravity environment of the Moon
- They will be launched to the Moon on a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket in October 2021 and descend to the surface inside the first privately-developed lunar lander
- After eight-weeks of qualifying by high-schoolers from around the world, six teams of five members will compete to become the final two that race on the Moon
- The students will compete in a series of qualifying challenges that include unique demands, such as drone and autonomous vehicle racing, e-gaming and a space commercialisation entrepreneurship contest
- Their adventures will be captured, produced and globally-distributed by Moon Mark
- The two racers will deploy on the Moon via the Nova-C lander by Houston-based Intuitive Machines, following a SpaceX Falcon 9 launch in late 2021

FACTOID

That's the amount of global debt, which the world is set to reach by the end of the year, according to S&P Global forecast. It is 265% of the world's annual economic output. The credit ratings giant said it amounted to a 14-

\$200 TRILLION

point rise as a percentage of the world GDP, having been amplified by both the economic plunge caused by Covid, and the extra borrowing that governments, firms and households have had to resort to in the past few months

Quote unquote

Somebody said to me at the beginning of the pandemic, it's almost as though mother nature has sent us to our rooms for bad behaviour to really take a moment and think about what we've done. It certainly reminded me about how interconnected we all are, not just as people but through nature. We take so much from her and we rarely give back. Every single raindrop that falls from the sky relieves the parched ground. What if every one of us was a raindrop? If every single one of us cared? We do because we have to... because at the end of the day nature is our life source

PRINCE HARRY



IN THE NEWS

PRAYAGRAJ STUDENT IS PETA'S 'VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR'

The People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) India has named O.P. Jindal Global University's student Ayan Banerjee as its 2020 'volunteer of the year'.



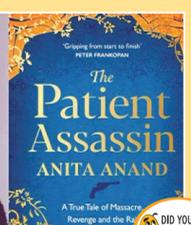
- According to PETA, Ayan, 18, is a vegan, and he joined PETA India's volunteer ranks two years ago. Since then, he has been working to inform young people about animal rights
- He has visited schools in Mussoorie to give talks to students on the benefits of vegan eating. In collaboration with the Allahabad museum, Ayan also took part in a 200-kilometre run — visiting numerous colleges, distributing leaflets, and spreading the word about vegan eating

ANITA ANAND'S 'THE PATIENT ASSASSIN', BASED ON JALLIANWALA BAGH MASSACRE, WINS PEN HESSELL-TILTMAN HISTORY PRIZE

British Indian journalist and author Anita Anand's book that tells the story of a young man caught up in the 1919 Jallianwala Bagh massacre in Amritsar has won a prestigious history-literary prize in the UK.

NEWS IN BRIEF

HONOUR



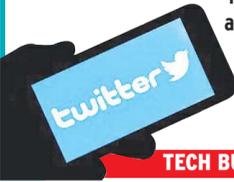
'THE PATIENT ASSASSIN A TRUE TALE OF MASSACRE, REVENGE AND THE RAJ' beat six other titles for the PEN Hessel-Tiltman Prize for History 2020, awarded annually for a non-fiction book of specifically-historical content. The judges described it as a "genuine historical classic"

English PEN (Poets, Playwrights, Editors, Essayists, Novelists), is one of the world's oldest human rights organisations championing the freedom to write and read. It is the founding centre of PEN Int'l, a worldwide writers' association with 145 centres in more than 100 countries

TWITTER EXPANDS HATE SPEECH RULES TO INCLUDE RACE, ETHNICITY

Twitter Inc has expanded its policy barring hateful speech to include "language that dehumanises people on the basis of race, ethnicity and national origin." Civil rights group 'Colour of Change', part of a coalition of advocacy organisations that have been pushing tech companies to reduce hate speech online, called the changes "essential concessions", following years of outside pressure.

Last year, the company had banned speech that dehumanises others, based on religion or caste, and updated the rule in March to add age, disability and disease to the list of protected categories



TECH BUZZ

INDIAN ECONOMY IS GRADUALLY RECOVERING: IMF

India's economy severely affected by the coronavirus pandemic is gradually recovering, the International Monetary Fund said. India's economy recovered faster than expected in the September quarter, as a pick-up in manufacturing helped GDP clock a lower contraction of 7.5 per cent and held out hopes for further improvement on better consumer demand.



Fiscal, monetary and financial sector measures announced to date provided the much-needed support to the economy, including businesses, agriculture and vulnerable households, IMF chief spokesperson Gerry Rice said in response to a question on the IMF's assessment of India's economy during the coronavirus pandemic

NUMBER-O-LOGY 72MILLION

Primary school aged children run the risk of pushing into "learning poverty" — unable to read and understand a simple text by age 10, according to the World Bank. School closures as a result of Covid-19 have left most students on the planet out of school — 1.6 billion students at the peak in April 2020, and still almost 700 million students today, according to reports. In responding to the pandemic, education systems have been forced to rapidly implement innovations in remote learning at scale. However, the huge digital divides and inequalities in the quality of parental support and home learning environments is amplifying learning inequality

2020 on course to be one of three WARMEST YEARS ON RECORD

Climate change continued its relentless march in 2020, and is all set to be one of the three warmest years on record...



ENVIRONMENT

- According to the World Meteorological Organisation, 2011-2020 will be the warmest decade on record, with the world getting warmer since 2015
- The most notable warmth was observed across northern Asia, particularly the Siberian Arctic, where temperatures were more than 5 degrees Celsius above average. Siberian heat culminated in late June, when it reached 38 degrees Celsius at Verkhoyansk some time back, provisionally the highest-known temperature anywhere north of the Arctic Circle
- Ocean heat is at record levels; more than 80 per cent of the global ocean experienced a marine heatwave some time in 2020
- Despite the Covid-19 lockdown, atmospheric concentrations of greenhouse gases continued to rise, committing the planet to further warming for many generations to come



The global mean temperature for January to October 2020 was around 1.2 degrees Celsius above the 1850-1900 baseline, used as an approximation of pre-industrial levels

Now, NASA grows RADISH in space

The social media was taken by storm recently when NASA astronaut Kate Rubins shared photographs of the Plant Habitat-02 (PH-02) experiment aboard the International Space Station (ISS), with radish saplings growing on the floating space lab. The multiple researches conducted in the microgravity conditions of the ISS have greatly helped researchers down on the Earth to learn more about space-farming. They have managed to learn how plants would react to different space stimuli, if they can survive under red or blue light.



- According to NASA, the radish was chosen as it is a "model plant." Radishes are a great source of nutrition and have relatively short cultivation period
- Otherwise, the most-studied plant in microgravity is Arabidopsis, a plant similar to mustard and cabbage; but it's not as widely consumed or filling as radish
- The plants growing without

gravity may have difficulty in rooting to the soil. So, the seeds there are sown into "pillows" and fertiliser and water is distributed properly across the growing saplings. The plants have been growing for 27 days now, with little maintenance from the crew

- The plants will be harvested by the crew soon and sent to Earth for analysis

**THE EDUCATIONIST****'Any curriculum change should be holistic in nature'**

Simmi Juneja, principal of DAV Public School Thane, with years of experience in the field of education shares some interesting insights in this interview. Excerpts:

Q: What are your views on National Education Policy?

The NEP, erected on the pillars of 'Access, Equity, Quality, Affordability and Accountability' has laid the path for reforms in both school and higher education. As it is comprehensive, farsighted and focusing on vocational education, learning will now be more enjoyable, integrative and holistic. It's indeed a welcome move with the multilingual flexibility, where each Language is given its due importance in our diverse country with a cornucopia of languages. Framed with an eye on the future, I wish this curricular overhaul creates well-rounded individuals with new age skills.

Q: How does DAV's mission of blending Vedic values and technology benefit the students?

Aristotle once said, 'Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all'. Instilling in our young minds our rich Vedic values, DAV ethos and principles is as indis-



Simmi Juneja, Principal

pensable as imparting education to match with the advancement in technology and globalisation. This enables them not only to have a holistic development but also make them responsible citizens, ready to face the challenges of future.

Q: How did you prepare your teachers, students and parents for online education?

It is definitely not as easy as it sounds. Being a principal, I always follow the principle of being resilient and converting every adversity into an opportunity. To begin with, it is ensured that the teachers prepare high quality digital lessons and addressing their technical issues is given priority. We periodically conduct counselling sessions for the students and parents for their physical, emotional and psychological well-being. To conclude, I am trying to support and guide all the stakeholders during the pandemic.

Q: What are your views on CBSE's decision of syllabus reduction? I think CBSE had made such a decision considering the students; especially those who have remote possibility of attending virtual classes. It would be a relief even to those attending virtual classes.

As told to Sanisa Patrikar, class X, D.A.V. Public School, Thane

VIRTUAL DISPLAY OF CLASS ASSEMBLIES

This 'new normal' academic year 2020-21 may have started on a gloomy note for schools around the world with students being away from school for a long period of time. However, the ever vibrant and enthusiastic students of St. Joseph's, Wadala did not step back to put their best foot forward to display their creative abilities through the Virtual Class assemblies. As we all know that the whole world is gripped by the Novel Corona virus, the school focused the assemblies on various aspects of the virus. The themes highlighted how the virus had a negative impact on people and on the other hand, how this minute enemy brought a positive change in the attitude and behaviour of humans. Innovative onscreen assem-

blies presented by Grades 7 to 10 were based on Re-energizing Our Earth- Precious Flora and Fauna, Bio technology- A Hero or Villian, Economic Impact and Transforming Humans which were well showcased through the consistent effort of students and their class teachers. Thought provoking skits, well compiled songs and dances, interviews with doctors and corona survivors gave the message on the themes loud and clear. The school principal, Sangita Bhattacharya along with the members of the Management was ever supportive in arranging a technical team who helped in this unique endeavour. The assemblies of the first term ended with a positive note that "Education can be gained in the least expected ways!"

Express YOURSELF**WHAT THE WORLD NEEDS**

In years gone by, the world has developed to unprecedented heights. Advancements and progress in fields of medicine, technology, etc. have prevailed; life has been made simpler, more comfortable. But in terms of social issues, we have numerous boulders to dodge.

Racism, mental health, religious intolerance... such issues are left unattended to. None of us look past the happy façade that the world wears to see its deteriorated state. People are dying as a result of loathing and racism. People of particular religions are looked at with hostile eyes. We, citizens of the world, are far from loving it... for we have so much unjustified hate for its inhabitants that we fail to see the world in all its beautiful capabilities and opportunities.

If only we would all attempt to understand. If only we'd accept that being liberal and tolerant is what the world is begging for, on its knees, for a long time. We now need to pave the road to peace. Our immeasurable kindness, love and humanity should define us. Our faith and tolerance should be the glue to bind us together.

As plainly as I can explain, we simply need to be good people, with good intentions and virtuous



minds. It is not that complex, if only we begin to see the world not as what it is, but as all the million possibilities that it can reach. If only we accept that bad things exist to remind us all that we can make the world a better place for everyone.

PIA OZA, class IX, Sri Sri Ravishankar Vidya Mandir, Borivali East

Painters' Gallery

MOSAIC:
JAINUM
NAGDA, class
VIII,
Guardian
High School
& JR College



**ABSTRACT
ART:** ARYA
BHANUSHAL,
class X, SVDD
English
Medium High
School

AT THE ART COMPETITION

At the art competition, the topic was written in bright colours, Pick your paints and your brush, but think a little don't be in a rush. Show us the thing that lets you beaming,

And with eyes open sets you dreaming!
I ate a large amount of rice, Of course I won the first prize. I painted through my heart, And at that time, I saw a cart. But no prize for guessing what I painted!

RAASHI PATEL, class VI, Bunts Sangha's S.M.Shetty High School, Powai

I'M BEAUTIFUL

Storms of curiosity swell in her eyes They speak of all they've seen Yet there remains an abyss of darkness To remind her of the unseen The little delicate ears behind her hair Hide the secrets whispered in trust Childhood stories and tales remain To remind her of

how far she has come A nose covered with unending bumps That smells the unending fragrances of the world Every breath she takes Reminds her of what it is to be alive Her lips slightly parted away While a thousand unspoken words

waited there A million ideas she wanted but couldn't convey Reminds her how life is pretty unfair The oval face in the mirror stood looking at me With all their imperfections and subtleties Wielding the power to influence a mind Shows that beauty lies both outside and inside

SAMYUKTAA SIVAKUMAR, class XI, Ryan International School, Kandivali East

Slum kids are denied right to education, situation needs correction

COVID-19 situation has badly impacted the Education system of India especially the students dwelling in slums. Online system of education has created two strata in the education system, 'HAVES' and 'HAVE NOTS'. Children belonging to good financial background are at par with this new education system. But children from slums have to face lot of struggles in their life and they are deprived of education which is their right. Lack of technology and internet facilities is a great challenge for slum kids. Non-availability of a smart phone has curbed their education which has resulted in depriving them from their Right to Education (RTE). According to Larzy Varghees, the principal of St. Mathew's High School & Jr. College, Government must perceive this situation with utmost importance. "Children's mental pressure due to non-access to education is a matter of concern". Teachers are facing lot of problems too during these hard times. Students are away from the education and it's a great challenge for teachers to "trace" them. There is no co-ordination among slum students and teachers.



Larzy Varghees, Principal, St. Mathew's High School & Jr. College

New system of Balak Mitra and Palak Mitra is not practically possible in the slum areas. Because 90% parents are illiterate and majority of them aren't interested in such projects as their matter of concern is their work (job) to feed their own family.

Today's situation has forced youngsters to involve in thefts, anti-social activities. Child labour is commonly witnessed in slums. "According to my experience, slum kids too are talented. If we provide them the right opportunity we help them rise above their condition," the principal said. But for this the government must come forward and find out some solutions. "Government must have open talks with the Educators catering to the slum areas and find out a solution", opined Larzy Varghees, an educator who has been in this field since the last three decades.

Even now, we can see government authorities are blind towards the educational institutions located in slums. These schools do not possess much funds therefore the managing these schools are really a tough job. Larzy Varghees said at this important juncture the government must come forward and support such schools with Overdraft facility or Zero interest loan facilities which will help in sustainability of schools.

In this tough time also, we need to work together and make sure that no child is left behind in the teaching and learning process.

The situation has forced youngsters resort to thefts, anti-social activities. Child labour is commonly witnessed in the slums

Most of the children go for work. This is a sad situation. Students are away from the teaching-learning process which has resulted in the involvement of students in many anti-social activities.

During lockdown another problem which slum children faced - especially girls is that of child marriage. Parents find it easy to get their girl child married in lockdown because of less expenditure. A girl's education is not at all a priority for many parents and they consider girl child as a burden.

Many months of lockdown has really led to the downfall of the education system. The level of learning and their desire to learn also has started fading. Reading habits of students has been lost in these days.



Rare skills that could become your newest hobby

There are many ways to live curiously, but one of the most fulfilling options might be mastering an obscure skill. Learning how to do something that few people even bother to attempt – whether it's Macramé or Marquetry – offers both knowledge and a sense of accomplishment that can boost your skill set. **TIMES NIE READERS AND TEACHERS** offer the skills that they'd like to learn or have used the lockdown to learn!

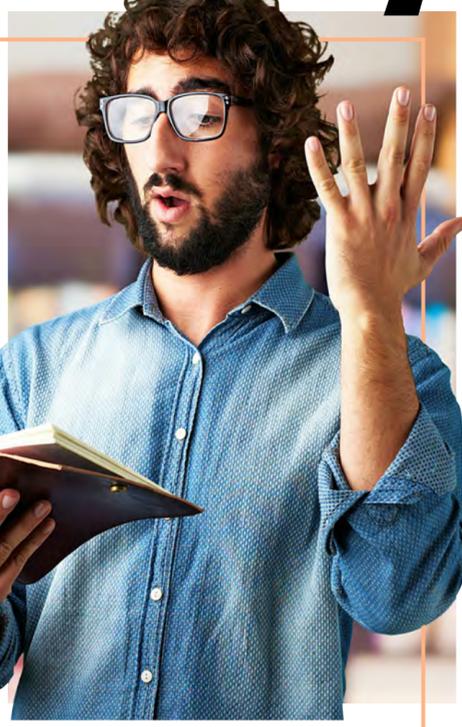
STUDENTS SPEAK



Marquetry
I love art, and when you add on some obscure and new themes to it, it becomes even better. Marquetry is one such art form that I accidentally stumbled upon while surfing the internet. It involves affixing intricate patterns of wood, metal, or organic material to flat surfaces of furniture. It requires delicate handwork, and this is why marquetry has piqued my interest. I believe that delicate handwork is something that is appreciated by everyone.
YOSHITA UPADHYAY, class X, Delhi Public School, Secunderabad

Cold reading

I'm trying to learn a skill called 'cold reading.' In simplest terms, it's real-life 'analytics' of a person's inclinations and attitudes. It involves quickly picking up signals, formulating information streams without the person knowing, and employing inductive reasoning to strike at accurate guesses about their personality without us knowing them and they knowing us! This is useful in life and work. How awesome would it be if we knew what someone expected and we delivered that?
ASISH SINGH, class XII, St Augustine's Day School, Barrackpore



Dog whisperer

I would love to learn to be a 'dog whisperer.' I have always loved and lived with dogs. And I would love to be able to talk to them and understand them. If they were hungry or feeling sick, it would help to be able to communicate with them. I enjoy watching anything available online on 'dog whisperers' and then try that on my pet 'Damru.'
NIHARIKA BAKSHI, V-B, Wynberg Allen School, Mussoorie

Conch blowing

A skill I learnt recently was blowing the conch. It may seem simple but requires a precise technique. One must be able to properly control one's breathing. When my grandfather was hospitalised with a lung issue, the doctors gave him an instru-



ment to blow air to strengthen his lungs. The doctor also pointed out that blowing a conch regularly helps strengthen the lungs. Since then I have been fascinated with the idea of learning to blow the conch.
AYUSH SHENOY, class VII, DPS Whitefield, Bengaluru



EDUCATORS

Macramé



I would like to learn the art of Macramé. This art form is fascinating and your creative side is challenged when you see how much you can achieve using different kinds of knots. Various combinations of these knots can result in creating traditional or contemporary designs. The final product gives the effect of a weave or a knit. The knots can be mastered with regular practice and there are quite a few tutorials to help design elegant and stylish pieces. Macramé is so versatile that it can be used to make jewellery, purses, decorative pieces like wall hangings, etc.
SUPRIYA KHANNA, teacher, DPS Whitefield, Bengaluru



Bhangra: Being a social media fan, I have been floored by multiple videos sent by members of a group called Bhangra Empire. The energetic moves by the students of this group have inspired me. I am slowly learning to groove...
USHA RAMASWAMY, Senior School Head, The Shri Ram Universal, Hyderabad



Storytelling

Human beings have passed knowledge from generation to generation through stories. This is the oldest form of teaching. Stories define us, shape us, control us and make us. I have developed this skill of storytelling



during this pandemic. I read mythological stories and narrate them in my own style.
SARITA BIJALWAN, Librarian, The Indian Academy, Nehruagram, Dehradun

Six non-boring ways to eat broccoli

How often are we told, 'Eat more broccoli'. The green cruciferous vegetable is a powerhouse of health benefits – it's a rich source of vitamin C as well as fibre, protein, iron and potassium and makes for a great immune booster. No wonder ex-US President Barack Obama called it his favourite vegetable. If you have been consuming broccoli in just one or two ways, here are some ideas to up your cooking game.



Broccoli pasta
Chop florets of broccoli and add to your wheat pasta. With cream and cheese as well as other sautéed veggies, it makes for a hearty and healthy wintertime treat.



Quick-style roast
Another easy weeknight dinner idea is to just toss the florets in a pan with olive oil, a few seasonings and garlic. Be careful not to overcook it.



Hearty soup
To make this, just blend broccoli and add it to the soup stock with salt and freshly ground pepper. Allow it to simmer and ladle it in a bowl with crusty bread.

Add it to your pizza
Why not use broccoli as a topping on pizza? Just sauté it in a little olive oil and pepper and add it to the pizza before you bake it.

Yes, you can make muffins too
You are sure to love this. Make savoury broccoli muffins with cheese and serve with a soup of your choice.



Broccoli brownies: Yes, broccoli brownies are a thing! To prepare them, just add the strained puree to your chocolate and sugar and bake it.

QUIZ TIME (MIXED BAG)

Q.1) According to the World Bank, India was the _____ largest economy in 2018.

- A. 3rd B. 8th C. 5th D. 7th

Q.2) Which state government has launched the awareness campaign 'Save Green, Stay Clean'?

- A. West Bengal B. Andhra Pradesh C. Tamil Nadu D. Odisha

Q.3) Who among the following has been honoured with the Entrepreneur of the Year Award 2019?

- A. Vijay Shekhar Sharma B. Mukesh Ambani C. Ruhan Rajput D. Siddhartha Lal



Ruhan Rajput, co-founder and director of Einfolge Technologies Pvt Ltd, was conferred the prestigious Entrepreneur Award 2019

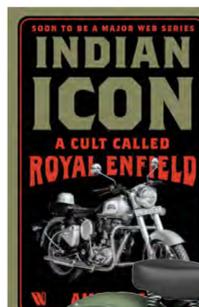
ANSWERS

1. D) 7th 2. A) West Bengal 3. C) Ruhan Rajput

Royal Enfield: Book tells story behind making of Indian biking giant

A new book maps the trail-blazing story of the brand, the company and most of all, the individuals who have made Royal Enfield what it is now – a premium homegrown consumer brand for the global markets. The book, 'Indian Icon: A Cult Called Royal Enfield', is written by journalist Amrit Raj. Besides spilling the beans on the "behind-the-scenes takeover dramas" and the bare-knuckled battle to create the iconic brand, it is also the story of the clash of the old guard with the new, leading to dramatic changes in the business.

"New brands aspire for the kind of devotion that an Enfield enjoys. Its distinctive look and feel, the sound of its engine and the image that it creates of its rider have all contributed to putting the brand on the kind of pedestal



that others could only dream of. The book takes you to the heart of the Royal Enfield story," says Raj. From the beginning of the brand's journey in India (early 1950s), the Enfield bikes have had quite a ride. Initial success and

acceptance notwithstanding, by the 1980s, the brand was considered a complete underachiever: Come 1990, Vikram Lal of Eicher took over it and gave it a whole new lease of life. Later, his son Siddhartha brought marketing and product together and catapulted the bike to an iconic status.

Today, Enfield has become a symbol of successful and inspirational business turn-arounds. www.royalenfield.com



IS THERE A NEED TO RELOOK AT THE CONCUSSION RULE?



Ravindra Jadeja braved an injury to hit a match-winning 44 vs Australia in 1st T20I

Spinner Yuzvendra Chahal came on as a concussion substitute for injured Ravindra Jadeja in the 1st T20I against Australia, a move that did not go down well with many. The concussion substitution law allows teams to have a like-to-like replacement for a concussed player

IT WAS FAIR TO USE THE CONCUSSION RULE

I understand that Australia must be frustrated, but it could be a delayed concussion as well. If there is a concussion, and there is a concussion rule, why not use it. India used it to the best of their advantage bringing in a wrist spinner. We kept talking about how India may miss a wrist spinner and they did not miss the wrist spinner. He had a huge impact on this game. If there is actually concussion, it is fair on India to use that.

Gautam Gambhir, former India opener



AUS WERE FIRST BENEFICIARIES OF CONCUSSION SUBSTITUTE

When Steve Smith was hit on the head, Labuschagne came out to bat in place of him and made runs. So, Australia also got that advantage. So I think Australia shouldn't complain. They might have



just one contention that Jadeja continued to bat and made runs but when you open your helmet inside the dressing room then you might witness some swelling, you might feel dizziness. There is a possibility.

Virender Sehwag, former Indian cricketer

IT WAS NOT JADEJA'S CALL TO ASK FOR A PHYSIO

I don't think it is Jadeja's call to ask for a physio. It is for the umpires to stop the game and call for a physio. That did not happen perhaps because Jadeja ran for the single and he continued to play. He was fine. And concussion doesn't necessarily mean it has to happen on the field. You can come back to the dressing room and then you may have a headache or dizziness. That's when the doctors will step in and stop. That's what probably happened in this case.

Anil Kumble, former Indian captain



IF YOU CAN'T PLAY THE BOUNCER, YOU DON'T DESERVE A SUBSTITUTE

An Australian match referee (David Boom) had no objection to that. So I don't see why there is so much noise about it. On the business of concussion substitute itself, I don't agree because maybe I'm old-fashioned, I've always believed that if you're not good enough to play the bouncer and you get hit on the helmet then you don't deserve substitutes. But at the moment it is being allowed according to the rules of the game, everything was done according to it and there was no problem with Chahal playing instead of Ravindra Jadeja.

Sunil Gavaskar, former Indian captain



WE ARE MASTERS AT TRYING TO FIND A LOOPHOLE IN RULES

After this, there's going to be a lot of thought given to the concussion substitute, the whole concept purely because we as players - all of us - there are rules made with good intention but we are masters at trying to find a loophole in the rule for our own advantage. Whether India took an advantage, we don't know, but there's something the ICC needs to start looking at, so that one team doesn't get such a massive advantage.

Sanjay Manjrekar, former Indian cricketer



Pandya powers India to thrilling T20 series win over Australia



Hardik Pandya powered India to a gripping second T20 international victory to take the series against Australia in Sydney. Pandya hit an enormous six off debutant Daniel Sams to get the winning runs - and victory by six wickets - with two balls to spare. Shikhar Dhawan earlier hit 52 off 36 balls and Virat Kohli looked threatening before being caught behind for 40, giving Sams a prized wicket. New skipper Matthew Wade and Steve Smith hit half-centuries apiece to carry Australia to 194 for five after batting first. **AP**

The fact that we don't have Rohit and Bumrah, our established white ball players, in and still doing well makes me happy. Everyone has played 14 games at least, recently - so they know what their plans are.

The reason was Hardik coming into the team in 2016 was pure ability. He has raw talent. And now he realises that this is his time, the next 4-5 years, to be that bankable player that can win you games from anywhere.

Virat Kohli, India captain

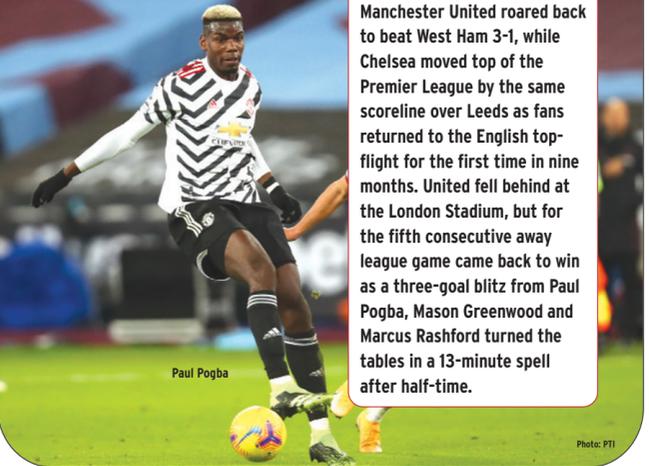
Barcelona should have sold Lionel Messi



Barcelona's interim president Carlos Tusquets

Barcelona's interim president Carlos Tusquets feels the club should have sold Lionel Messi during the summer transfers. Messi was linked to a move to Manchester City and sent a letter stating his intention to leave. He later said it was due to being disillusioned with the direction the ex-director was taking the club in.

Man U beat West Ham 3-1, Chelsea go top of Premier League



Paul Pogba

Manchester United roared back to beat West Ham 3-1, while Chelsea moved top of the Premier League by the same scoreline over Leeds as fans returned to the English top-flight for the first time in nine months. United fell behind at the London Stadium, but for the fifth consecutive away league game came back to win as a three-goal blitz from Paul Pogba, Mason Greenwood and Marcus Rashford turned the tables in a 13-minute spell after half-time.

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TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Q1: Which country stood first on the medal tally of Commonwealth Weightlifting Championship held in July 2019 at Apia, Samoa?

- a) South Korea b) China
 c) Australia d) India

Q2: At Rio 2016 Olympics, which Indian female wrestler won the bronze medal, defeating Kyrgyzstan's Aisuluu Tynybekova?

- a) Sakshi Malik b) Vinesh Phogat
 c) Geeta Phogat d) Babita Kumari

Q3: In which year was the first FIVB World Championship in volleyball held?

- a) 1949 b) 1950 c) 1951 d) 1952

Q4: At which Grand Slam tournament is the Musketeers' Trophy awarded to the winner of Men's Singles competition?

- a) Australian Open b) US Open
 c) French Open d) Wimbledon

Q5: Which Indian state does the modern game of polo (horse-back) originate from?

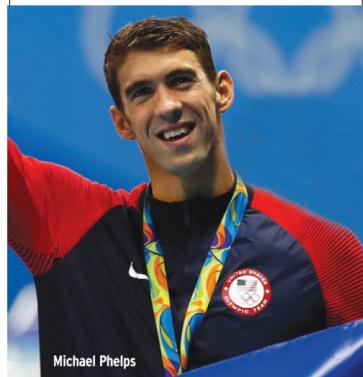
- a) Goa b) Maharashtra
 c) Manipur d) Kerala

Q6: A form of martial arts, which country is associated with?

- a) Japan b) India
 c) Indonesia d) Russia

Q7: How many Olympic medals has Michael Phelps won?

- a) 22 b) 24 c) 26 d) 28



Michael Phelps

Q8: In the 1980 Moscow Olympics, India won a Gold medal in hockey. Who was the captain of the Indian team?

- a) Dhanraj Pillai b) Dhyan Chand
 c) Pargat Singh d) Vasudevan Baskaran

Q9: Who was the first Indian gymnast to make it to the finals in individual vault in her debut Olympic Games?

- a) Aruna Reddy b) Dipa Karmakar
 c) Kalpana Debnath d) Krupal Patel

Q10: Which Indian player won the 2019 World Rapid Chess Championship, defeating China's Lei Tingjie?

- a) Bhakti Kulkarni b) Tania Sachdev
 c) Harika Dronavalli d) Koneru Humpy

Q11: Name the first-ever Indian athlete, nicknamed

'Dhing Express', to win a gold medal at the IAAF World U20 Championships?

- a) Dutee Chand b) Anjali Devi
 c) Hima Das d) M R Poovamma

Q12: Who among the following was the first heavyweight boxer to go undefeated throughout his career?

- a) Frank Bruno b) Gerry Cooney
 c) Rocky Marciano d) Joe Frazier

Q13: Which Japanese figure skater is the first Asian to win an Olympic gold?

- a) Yuzuru Hanyu b) Shoma Uno
 c) Daisuke Takahashi d) Nathan Chen

ANSWERS: 1- d) India 2- a) Sakshi Malik 3- a) 1949 4- c) French Open 5- c) Manipur 6- d) Russia 7- d) 28 8- d) Vasudevan Baskaran 9- b) Dipa Karmakar 10- d) Koneru Humpy 11- c) Hima Das 12- c) Rocky Marciano 13- a) Yuzuru Hanyu