

# Kohli's men stamp their authority, sweep series

The 257-run victory at Sabina Park and the 2-0 win enable the team aggregate 120 points and lead the WTC points table

## INDIA IN WI

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India produced a top-notch bowling performance in a clinical 257-run demolition of the West Indies in the second Test as a 2-0 series victory put the Men in Blue on top of ICC World Test Championship points table.

The victory was 28th in Tests for Virat Kohli making him the most successful Indian captain in the traditional format of the sport.

Chasing a target of 468, the West Indies batsmen once again failed to show stomach for a good fight as they caved in for 210 in 59.5 overs, well inside the fourth day.

The bowling quartet of Ishant Sharma (two for 37), Mohammed Shami (three for 65), Jasprit Bumrah (1/31) and lone spinner Ravindra Jadeja (three for 58) were relentless in their pursuit of maintaining a tight leash on the home team batsmen.

The win took India's points tally to 120 after two games and it leads the nine-team table even though Pakistan, Bangladesh and South Africa are yet to begin their campaign as a part of the championship.

As the dark clouds hovered over the Sabina Park during the post-lunch session, the Indian bowlers upped the ante, getting four wickets in the first hour after lunch to ensure that there isn't any inordinate delay in achieving the desired result.

As far as the match is concerned, the writing was on



**Unstoppable:** An elated India team with the trophy after clinching its eighth consecutive Test series win against the West Indies. \*AFP

the cards and skipper Kohli effected a brilliant run out in the post-lunch session.

### Bravo indisposed

West Indies lost five wickets in the period in just over an hour, adding just 65 as a physically indisposed Darren Bravo didn't come out to bat.

Jermaine Blackwood (38), who replaced Bravo as the 'concussion substitute' got a delivery from Bumrah that pitched on length and moved a shade to take an outside edge to Rishabh Pant.

The Sharmarh Brooks (50)-Blackwood partnership yielded 61 runs for the fifth wicket, before Kohli's quick reflexes brought about Brooks' downfall.

**He confuses with his angles, swing and pace. I think he is the most complete bowler in world cricket right now**

KOHLI ON BUMRAH

Brooks pushed one towards point and started to amble across as Kohli sprinted from his cover position and picked the ball and turned in the same motion to get his direct throw on target.

Jahmar Hamilton's (0) debut just got worse with Jadeja snuffing him out.

The left-arm spinner, in the company of Shami, completed the formalities.

## SCOREBOARD

**INDIA - 1ST INNINGS:** 416.

**WEST INDIES - 1ST INNINGS:** 117.

**INDIA - 2ND INNINGS**

K.L. Rahul c Hamilton b Roach 6 (63b, 1x4), Mayank Agarwal lbw b Roach 4 (15b, 1x4), Cheteshwar Pujara c Brooks b Holder 27 (66b, 3x4), Virat Kohli c Hamilton b Roach 0 (7b), Ajinky Rahane (not out) 64 (109b, 8x4, 1x6), G. Hanuma Vihari (not out) 53 (76b, 8x4); Extras (b-8, lb-4, nb-2): 14; Total (for four wickets, decl. in 54.4 overs): 168.

**FALL OF WICKETS**  
1-9 (Mayank, 4.6 overs), 2-36 (Rahul, 20.1), 3-36 (Kohli, 20.2), 4-57 (Pujara, 28.6).

**WEST INDIES BOWLING**

Roach 10-3-28-3, Holder 11-4-5-20-1, Cornwall 23-7-68-0, Gabriel 7-3-18-0, Chase 3-0-22-0.

**WEST INDIES - 2ND INNINGS**

John Campbell c Kohli b Shami 16 (26b, 2x4), Kraigg Brathwaite c Pant b Ishant 3 (7b), Darren Bravo retired hurt 23 (41b, 4x4), Sharmarh Brooks run out 50 (119b, 9x4), Roston Chase lbw b Jadeja 12 (36b, 2x4), Shimron Hetmyer c Mayank b Ishant 1 (5b), Jermaine Blackwood c Pant b Bumrah 38 (72b, 4x4, 1x6), Jason Holder b Jadeja 39 (35b, 9x4), Jahmar Hamilton c Rahul b Jadeja 0 (2b), Rakheem Cornwall c Pant b Shami 1 (2b), Kemar Roach c Pant b Shami 5 (14b, 1x4), Shannon Gabriel

(not out) 0 (1b); Extras (b-14, lb-2, nb-1, w-5): 22; Total (in 59.5 overs): 210.

**FALL OF WICKETS**

1-9 (Brathwaite, 2.3), 2-37 (Campbell, 7.4), 2-55\* (Bravo, retired not out), 3-97 (Chase, 27.5), 4-98 (Hetmyer, 28.4), 5-159 (Blackwood, 48.4), 6-177 (Brooks, 53.2), 7-177 (Hamilton, 53.4), 8-180 (Cornwall, 54.3), 9-206 (Roach, 58.5).

**INDIA BOWLING**

Ishant 12-3-37-2, Bumrah 11-4-31-1, Shami 16-2-65-3, Jadeja 19.5-4-58-3, Vihari 1-0-3-0.

**Man-of-the-Match:** Vihari.

India won by 257 runs to seal the two-match series 2-0.

## STAT SPHERE

**1** This is the first 'clean-sweep' for India in a Test series in the West Indies

**1** With Blackwood playing as the 'Concussion Substitute' for Bravo who had retired hurt, it was the first time in Tests that 12 batsmen came out to bat in an innings

**1** Pant has become the fastest Indian wicketkeeper to effect 50 dismissals in Tests (11), overtaking Dhoni who had reached the milestone in 15 matches. Overall, Pant is the joint-second quickest to the feat along with Gilchrist. Boucher, Bairstow and Paine jointly hold the record (10). Pant, at the end of the West Indies series, has 51 catches and 2 stumpings

**2** Number of instances India has remained unbeaten across three formats on an away tour

**SRI LANKA 2017:** Tests 3-0; ODIs 5-0; T20Is 1-0  
**WEST INDIES 2019:** Tests 2-0; ODIs 2-0 (3); T20Is 3-0

**2** Ishant (20) has the joint-second most appearances in away Test wins for India

**24** David  
**20** Ishant, Laxman & Tendulkar  
**18** Zaheer  
**17** Sehwag  
**16** Ganguly  
**15** Kohli & Kumble

**MOST WICKETS FOR INDIA AFTER 12 TESTS**  
63 Ashwin  
62 Bumrah  
61 Kumble  
56 Harbhajan  
55 Hirwani



Bumrah was top wicket-taker (13) in the series

**6** This is the sixth biggest winning margin for India in away Tests (by runs)

**318** vs WI, North Sound, 2019  
**304** vs SL, Galle, 2017  
**279** vs Eng, Leeds, 1986  
**278** vs SL, Colombo, 2015  
**272** vs NZ, Auckland, 1967/68  
**257** vs WI, Kingston, 2019  
**237** vs WI, Gros Islet, 2017

**8** The 2-0 victory is India's eighth straight Test series win against West Indies, starting with the one at home in 2002

**28** Number of Test wins for Kohli, the most by an Indian captain

**Most Test victories**  
**28** Kohli (48 Tests)  
**27** Dhoni (60)  
**21** Ganguly (49)  
**14** Azharuddin (47)

## World Test Championship (WTC) standings

With six teams involved in the initial phase of the WTC, India leads the table with 120 points

Team	M	W	L	D	Pts
India	2	2	0	0	120
New Zealand	2	1	1	0	60
Sri Lanka	2	1	1	0	60
Australia	3	1	1	1	32
England	3	1	1	1	32
West Indies	2	0	2	0	0

South Africa, Pakistan and Bangladesh are yet to play a Test in the WTC

## INDIA IN WEST INDIES - TEST SERIES

Player	Mat	Inns	MOST RUNS				MOST WICKETS								
			Runs	HS	Ave	SR	100/50	Wkts	BBI	Ave	SR	5w			
Vihari	2	4	289	111	96.33	59.58	1/2	Bumrah	2	4	13	6/27	9.23	22.6	2
Rahane	2	4	271	102	90.33	47.62	1/2	Ishant	2	4	11	5/43	12.27	27.0	1
Kohli	2	4	136	76	34.00	47.05	0/2	Shami	2	4	9	3/65	17.77	34.0	0
Holder	2	4	104	39	26.00	66.24	0/0	Roach	2	4	9	4/66	22.22	56.6	0
Rahul	2	4	101	44	25.25	37.26	0/0	Holder	2	4	8	5/77	22.25	62.2	1



# Dressing room feels calm when Vihari is batting, says India skipper

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
KINGSTON

India captain Virat Kohli singled out G. Hanuma Vihari for special praise for his work ethic and temperament, saying the young middle-order batsman's self belief provides a sense of calm in the dressing room.

Vihari was undoubtedly India's find of the West Indies Test series as he emerged the top run-getter with 289 that included a century and two half-centuries.

"Hanuma was the stand-out batsman in this game. Ac-

ording to the surface, it was a top-class innings from him," Kohli said. "He is someone who is sure of his game and it shows. The dressing room feels calm when he's batting. That's a quality he possesses naturally."

Vihari's willingness to learn from mistakes is also a quality that will take him places. "He (Hanuma) is willing to improve. He accepts and corrects his mistakes and plays with a lot of heart. Always up to do anything for the team. It's a very young career so far but he's shown

why he's been backed and selected in this team."

### The complete bowler

The skipper feels Jasprit Bumrah is the most complete bowler in world cricket right now and with his work ethic, the speedster has long shed the tag of being just a T20 specialist.

"It's really pleasing to see a guy who was tagged a T20 specialist, he came and took over the ODI scene and now Test cricket. He is proving people wrong that there is a set template for every format,"

he added. Kohli said, as a captain, he is lucky to have him in the ranks.

"He (Bumrah) definitely wants to be the best bowler in the world. He has moulded his life like that, he has moulded his discipline, his work ethic. The way he trains, the way he takes care of his diet, he has absolute control over what he is doing."

Kohli said it is difficult not to feel for batsmen who are left bamboozled by Bumrah's pace and variations.

# Pandey helps India-A take unassailable 3-0 lead

## SA-A IN INDIA

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THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

There were certain things which were constant in this series - the inclement weather, South Africa-A's inability to seize the opportunities to seal the contests and India-A's resilience to wriggle out of trouble.

As has been the pattern in this series, in the third unofficial one-dayer here on Monday, India found skipper Manish Pandey to play the saviour's role.

Pandey's rapid 81 led India to a four-wicket win and enabled the host to take an unassailable 3-0 lead in the series.

**Wriggling out**  
South Africa-A posted 207 for eight in a match reduced to 30-overs a side and had India in trouble at 26 for three.

However, India-A wriggled out again as South Africa-A messed up its bowling in the middle overs.

India-A wobbled at the start when Andrich Nortje struck twice in his opening over. But Ishan Kishan, promoted as an opener, struck a few boundaries to ease the pressure.



**Captain's knock:** Manish Pandey's quickfire 81 proved the game-changer. \*SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Fortuin with disdain.

### Back on track

The brisk 70-run fourth wicket stand put the chase back on track. Ishan's departure for 40 didn't curb Pandey's aggression as he added another quick 37 with Nitish Rana (13) for the fifth wicket.

However, Pandey holed out when the century was his for the taking. Shivam Dube then took over and his unbeaten 45 ensured that the hosts reached the target without any further loss.

Earlier, most of the South African top order batsmen failed to convert their starts into big scores. It was again left to Heinrich Klaassen (44) to give impetus to the innings.

The visitors finished with a competitive score but India-A targeted the weak links in the visitors' attack to romp home.

**The scores:**

**South Africa-A:** Janneman Malan c Axar b Krunal 37, Reeza Hendricks c Ishan b Chahar 9, Mathew Breetzke run out 36, Temba Bavuma st Ishan b Krunal 27, Khaya Zondo c Dube b Chahal 21, Heinrich Klaassen c Gaikwad b Chahal 44, George Linde lbw b Thakur 17, Bjorn Fortuin (not out) 4, Junior Dala run out 1, Lutho Sipamla (not out) 1; Extras (lb-1, w-7, nb-2): 10; Total (for eight wickets, in 30 overs): 207.

**Fall of wickets:** 1-28, 2-62, 3-92, 4-134, 5-135, 6-198, 7-202, 8-205.

**India-A bowling:** Chahal 6-0-42-0, Shardul 6-0-56-1, Chahal 6-0-31-1, Dube 2-0-21-0, Axar 5-33-0, Krunal 5-0-23-2.

**India-A:** Ruturaj Gaikwad c Reeza b Nortje 1, Ishan Kishan c Malan b Linde 40, Ricky Bhui lbw b Nortje 0, Krunal Pandya c Linde b Dala 13, Manish Pandey c Sipamla b Fortuin 81, Nitish Rans c Malan b Linde 13, Shivam Dube (not out) 45, Axar Patel (not out) 7; Extras (lb-1, w-7): 8; Total (for six wickets, in 27.5 overs): 208.

**Fall of wickets:** 1-5, 2-5, 3-26, 4-96, 5-133, 6-174.

**South Africa-A bowling:** Lutho Sipamla 5-0-25-0, Anrich Nortje 5.5-0-41-2, Junior Dala 6-0-44-1, Bjorn Fortuin 4-0-39-1, Reeza Hendricks 2-0-17-0, George Linde 5-0-41-2.

## 'Test' squads

**First match:** Shubman Gill (Capt.), Ruturaj Gaikwad, Anmolpreet Singh, Ricky Bhui, Ankeet Bawane, K.S. Bharat (wk), K. Gowtham, Shahbaz Nadeem, Shardul Thakur, Mohd. Siraj, Tushar Deshpande, Shivam Dube, and Vijay Shankar.

**Second match:** Priyank Panchal, Abhimanyu Easwaran, Gill, Anmolpreet, Karun Nair, Wriddhiman Saha (Capt.), K. Gowtham, Kuldeep Yadav, Shahbaz, Vijay Shankar, Shivam Dube, Umesh Yadav, Mohd. Siraj, and Avesh Khan.

**The schedule:** Sept. 9-12, Thiruvananthapuram; Sept. 17-20, Mysuru.

# Svitolina in semifinals; Bencic stops Osaka

Nadal prevails over Cilic; Djokovic retires with shoulder injury

## US OPEN

REUTERS  
NEW YORK

Elina Svitolina became the first Ukrainian woman to reach the US Open semifinals as she beat British 16th seed Johanna Konta 6-4, 6-4 in the quarterfinals on Tuesday.

Svitolina missed a couple of match points at 5-3 on her opponent's serve, but sealed the issue in the following

### IMPORTANT RESULTS

**Men: Fourth round:** 20-Diego Schwartzman (Arg) bt 6-Alexander Zverev (Ger) 3-6, 6-2, 6-4, 6-3; 2-Rafael Nadal (Esp) bt 22-Marin Cilic (Cro) 6-3, 3-6, 6-1, 6-2; 23-Stan Wawrinka (Sui) bt 1-Novak Djokovic (Srb) 6-4, 7-5, 2-1, ret.; 5-Daniil Medvedev (Rus) bt Dominik Koepfer (Ger) 3-6, 6-3, 6-2, 7-6 (2); **Doubles: Round-of-16:** 15-Neal Skupski-Jamie Murray (GBR) bt Rohan Bopanna-Denis Shapovalov (Can) 6-3, 6-4.

**Women: Quarterfinals:** 5-Elina Svitolina (Ukr) bt 16-Johanna Konta (GBR) 6-4, 6-4; **Fourth round:** 13-Belinda Bencic (Sui) bt 1-Naomi Osaka (Jpn) 7-5, 6-4; Svitolina bt 10-Madison Keys (USA) 7-5, 6-4; Konta (GBR) bt 3-Karolina Pliskova (Cze) 6-7(1), 6-3, 7-5; 8-Serena Williams (USA) bt 22-Petra Martic (Cro) 6-3, 6-4.

**Mixed doubles: Round-of-16:** Fabrice Martin (Fra)-Raquel Atawo (USA) bt Bopanna-Abigail Spears (USA) 7-5, 7-6(4).

game. On Monday, Naomi Osaka's hopes of defending her title were dashed when she was knocked out by Switzerland's Belinda Bencic 7-5, 6-4.

Osaka was broken late in the opening set and then again when she double faulted to hand her 13th-seeded opponent a 3-2 advantage in the second set.

Spanish second seed Rafael Nadal survived a second-set hiccup to beat 2014 champion Marin Cilic 6-3, 3-6, 6-1, 6-2.

On Sunday, Novak Djokovic's title defence ended in agony when the Serb retired from his fourth round match against Swiss Stan Wawrinka because of a shoulder injury.



**No problems:** Belinda Bencic had the measure of Naomi Osaka in straight sets. \*AP

## Highlight reel

### MONDAY

■ Osaka's pursuit of back-to-back U.S. Open titles halted by Belinda Bencic in the last-16 round

■ Nadal drops his first set of the tournament, but recovers to beat 2014 champion Cilic

■ Schwartzman ends Alexander Zverev's campaign

### SUNDAY

■ Defending champion Djokovic retires with a shoulder injury while trailing 6-4, 7-5, 2-1 against 2016 winner Stan Wawrinka

■ Federer, who swept past Goffin, moves into his 56th Grand Slam quarterfinals

■ Serena fights through the pain of a twisted ankle to beat Martic 6-3, 6-4 and make the last eight

■ Roland Garros women's champion Barty loses to China's Wang Qiang

■ Svitolina gets past Keys, enters maiden quarterfinals

