

Malaria elimination by 2030 BJP suspects motive

Bhubaneswar (KCN): Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik today reiterated the State Government's resolve to intensify efforts to eliminate malaria from Odisha by 2030 in line with the national goal.

"On World Malaria Day, I restate resolve to intensify efforts to eliminate malaria from Odisha by 2030 in line with the national goal," Mr.Patnaik posted in his Facebook page.

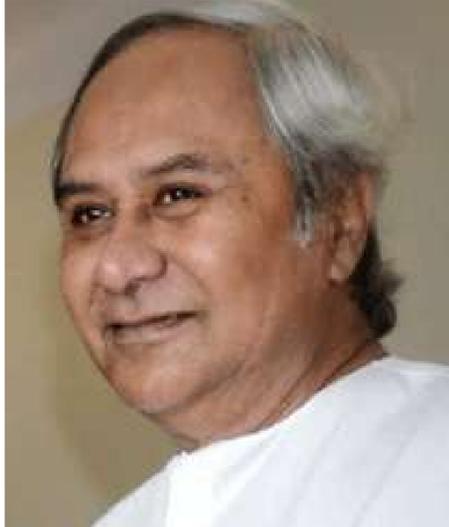
Maintaining that Odisha is a high malaria endemic State but has made tremendous progress in controlling the disease, the Chief Minister said that eight coastal districts are on the verge of eliminating malaria while deaths have reduced sharply across the state over the years.

"Our focus on combating the disease is exemplified by constant improvement in infrastructure and health services delivery in every nook and corner of the State. We are undertaking a massive programme DAMaN (Durgam Anchalare Malaria Nirakaran) funded from State's own resources to fight the disease in inaccessible areas. More than a crore long lasting insecticidal nets (LLINs) are being distributed in 17 high burden districts.

These will definitely help in stopping malaria trans-

mission in endemic zones," said Chief Minister Mr.Patnaik.

Saying that prevention is key to elimination of any disease, Mr.Patnaik said, "For that community sensitisation



and involvement is a must. Keeping environment and surroundings clean is a major aspect of malaria prevention. We should sensitise people to ensure cleanliness in and around their villages so that mosquitoes cannot breed and spread malaria."

Deaths due to Malaria is on a decline in the State, said State Health and Family Welfare Minister Pradip Kumar Amat here today.

Speaking at an event to mark World Malaria Day here today, Mr.Amat said malarial deaths officially recorded in 2014 was 89 while in 2015 it came down to 80 and in 2016 it further declined to 77.

Pramod Kumar Meherada, Secretary Health & family Welfare also graced the occasion.

He said, "All measures have been taken to religiously implement the pro-

grams in a bid to combat malaria in the State starting from district level to primary health centre and community health centre levels." "As per our plan, efforts are on to lessen malarial deaths in our State", he added. The minister said as many as eight districts in the State are malaria prone and an amount of Rs 10 crore has been allocated to check the spread of disease in these areas. Mr.Amat said the State Government will soon distribute more than one crore mosquito nets across Odisha.

Notably, Odisha is high malaria endemic State as Malaria incidence is high in 21 districts out of

which 8 southern districts of Koraput, Rayagada, Nabarangpur, Malkangiri, Kandhamal, Gajapati, Kalahandi and Nuapada report more than 50 pc malaria cases and deaths due to the disease. These districts are hilly terrains and forested areas and have more tribal population, an official report stated.

It added that in the year 2002 more than 400 deaths occurred due to malaria in the State as at that time only microscopy test was available. In 2008, the Case Fatality Rate (CFR-deaths per 1000 cases) was 0.0006 whereas in 2016, it came down to 0.0001 as reported number of malaria deaths was 247 in 2008 and it reduced to 77 in 2016, the Health Department's report claimed.

It further added that in 2017 up to March, it was observed that out of 30 districts, in 16 districts like Angul, Balasore, Bargarh, Boudh, Balangir, Cuttack, Deogarh, Dhenkanal, Jharsuguda, Jagat Singhpur, Kendrapada, Nabarangpur, Nuapada, Nayagarh, Sambalpur and Sonepur malaria cases have declined by 29 pc in comparison to 2016 by March. In other 14 districts there is overall 23 pc rise in malaria cases.

Bhubaneswar(KCN): BJP has raised question on the much discussed visit of Naveen Patnaik to the residence of former Prime Minister Atal Behari Vajpayee residence.

"We suspect that Naveen Patnaik meeting Vajpayeeji is not just a courtesy call. He (Naveen) might have some motive behind the meeting. Why did Naveen meet Vajpayeeji after such a long time? What made him to pay a visit now," questioned BJP MLA Pradeep Purohit.

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The ruling Biju Janata Dal strongly reacted to the statement made by the BJP MLA.

"How could Mr.Purohit know that Mr.Patnaik did not meet Vajpayeeji earlier. The Chief Minister was in regular touch with Vajpayeeji family and used to enquire about his health condition," said BJD Chief Spokesperson Surjya Narayan Patro.

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Spectacular victory for BJP in Delhi MCD polls 2017

NEW DELHI(KCN): The BJP today moved towards a thumping victory in all the three municipal corporations in Delhi by winning over 160 seats, crossing its existing strength of 138 as it decimated the AAP and the Congress.

The saffron party may bag more seats as the counting of votes polled in around 35 wards of MCD is still underway. The party has crossed the halfway mark of the total number of seats.

According to latest trends, the Aam Aadmi Party finished second in the municipi-

pal polls with 39 seats, followed by the Congress with 26.



The BJP has bagged 57 seats in the North MCD. Though the Aam Aadmi Party managed to win 17, the Congress bagged 12 seats in NDMC.

In East Delhi Municipal Corporation (EDMC), BJP got 42 seats while

AAP and Congress won 10 and three wards respectively.

Meanwhile, the BJP dedicated its impending win to the slain CRPF personnel in Chhattisgarh's Sukma district and decided to refrain from any celebrations.

Delhi BJP chief Manoj Tiwari said that every heart is filled with grief over Monday's killing of 25 CRPF men by Naxals in Sukma and the party will not celebrate the victory.

"But for the Sukma incident, we would be on the streets celebrating this massive victory.

We dedicate this win in the feet of Sukma martyrs," he said.

The AAP's humiliating defeat plunged the party into a crisis even as its top leadership put up a brave front suggesting it was all expected due to tampering with EVMs, an allegation that has been rubbished by the Election Commission.

"EVM tampering is the bitter truth of the country's democracy. One can crack jokes on us initially, but fearing being made fun of, we cannot refrain from speaking the truth," Deputy Chief Minis-

ter Manish Sisodia told reporters.

Meanwhile, DPCC chief Ajay Maken offered to resign from his post, accepting moral responsibility for the Congress' dismal performance in the civic polls.

"It is a reasonable revival of the Congress but I had hoped for something better than this. I had expected to perform a little better.

"So, as the president of Delhi Congress, I take moral responsibility and offer to resign from my post. I have decided to resign from my post," Maken said.

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Just Go To Hell Dil: Dear Zindagi's breakup song

Gentle, soft and relatable, Dear Zindagi's new song is out!

Sung by Sunidhi Chauhan, the second single track features Alia Bhatt, who is trying to do away with her emotions.

Beautifully written by Kausar Munir and composed by Amit Trivedi, the song has a unique melody that gets you hooked to it. Just Go To Hell Dil is a feeling we all have gone through in our lives and it is very well portrayed by Alia.

A budding cinematographer, Alia plays Kaira, who is in search of a perfect life. A chance encounter with Jug, an unconventional



thinker, helps her gain new perspective about life. She discovers that happiness

is all about finding comfort in life's imperfections.

Dear Zindagi has

been helmed by Gauri Shinde, the director of the critically acclaimed English

Vinglish, Gauri Shinde and has been jointly produced by her along with Gauri

Khan, Karan Johar.

The film will woo movie buffs on November 25.

'We are not promoting sex'

Do you think the film industry is welcoming to newcomers like you?

It's really difficult to get into Bollywood – it's a matter of time and the luck factor counts too. It's tough; and it was tough for me. It has been a very long and difficult struggle for me, I have enjoyed my journey though because it was not like I was just struggling and doing nothing ... I have taken a little long to do the kind of film I really wanted and desired. But it has finally happened and I am here.

Wajah Tum Ho

can be termed as your proper debut film. What are your expectations from it?

My expectations are very high because this film has given me everything that I have ever dreamt of. I feel amazing as I have experienced everything I wanted in this film - being a solo lead, performing to the best songs, playing a very strong character. The first teaser poster was my solo poster! Moreover, I have good chemistry with director Vishal Pandya - at most times, newcomers lack this when you cannot match up with the director. Like we

say - uparwala jab bhi deta hai, chhappar faad ke deta hai.

The steamy scenes in the film have created a major buzz. What is your reaction?

It's no big deal in the industry. Every film has a kiss – no matter how big the names in the film. It's according to the requirements. It's necessary to show a little romance because a pure thriller gets boring. It's okay and there should be no big halla as if people have never seen anybody kissing on screen before.

Some people are just overreacting. I

don't care as long as

We are not promoting



it is creating a buzz. Once people watch the film in the theatre, they will understand that whatever is done, is done rightly. It's not like there's nothing to do so we are doing those scenes.

sex. The film has lots more to offer.

So many people come on social media and say 'What did you do!' Arrey why are you wasting your time by coming to my

page and following me? Just do your own work. If you don't like it, keep it to yourself.

Which hero would you like to work with next?

The only dream in my life is to work with Shah Rukh Khan that's it. He is my childhood love.

You said you are a very animated person. Tell us more about what you are like in real life? I am the way people have seen me in Bigg Boss – there is not even one percent difference between me and the girl on that show.

No break for the 'Breakup Song' singer

Bombay (KCN): 'Mental Manadhil' from OK Kanmani, 'Mei Nigara' from 24, and now, 'The Breakup Song' from Ae Dil Hai Mushkil... Jonita Gandhi is on the crest of a wave. Over

telephone from Mumbai, the 27-year-old says with a laugh, "My phone has been buzzing with messages ever since the ('Breakup') song released. ... it was dramatic," she says.

Jonita has a lot on her plate, from recording for movies to performing live gigs. But she also talks about a dream that she has been holding on to for sometime now. "Writing music... I want to sing something that I have written from scratch. How cool would that be," she

says, a little lost in thought. "I have written in the past, but I am just very picky. So I am not sure whether many of those will see the light of day," she adds after a pause.

Meanwhile, she is consciously making sure that her YouTube channel (Jonita Music has over half a lakh followers) thrives – given that's where she began her journey as a musician. "I used to record my song videos, all covers, on my phone and post them," she recalls. Later, as her channel continued to gain visitors, she started making professional videos, self-produced videos and collaborating with different artistes. "This was way back in 2011, and that's how far I could reach Bollywood from Toronto. But it helped me get a foot in the door, as several music composers recognised me, and next thing I know, I was doing a tour with Sonu Nigam in North America,"

she says. Following the tour, Jonita debuted in Bollywood with Chennai Express.

"Till then, I had only performed in live shows. I hadn't recorded a Bollywood song from scratch. Understanding and learning a composition on the spot was new to me. So I was extremely nervous," she recalls. The first song she recorded was the title song of Chennai Express for Vishal-Shekhar. "The song was already done, and the male voice was by SPB sir. There was a small part in the song that features Deepika Padukone in the visuals and they wanted a female voice. I just happened to be around then, so they told me to try it out, and it all came out well," she says.

She was then spotted by A.R. Rahman, with whom she worked on the album Raunaq and Tamil film OK Kanmani, among others. "I was

in Chennai once, so he asked me to come to

completely on who ever was directing the



his studio and record in Tamil. Thankfully, I had people around me who really supported me. I had no idea how well I was singing the words. I had to rely

videos to visually set everything right," she says with a laugh. "On my first trip to Chennai, while working with Rahman sir, I had no idea who we

were recording for. But I was just happy to be working with him. He is an amazing person and makes people super comfortable, and while most think that he is quiet, in reality, he is a very funny person," says Jonita, who is trained in Western Classical music.

Looking back, while her academic degrees (she has two undergraduate degrees in Health Sciences and Business) did little to contribute to her career as a singer, she says, "Music was always there on the side. I used to come home from school during weekends and perform at events. It was already my part-time job. Even at home, there were always old Hindi songs — those of Rafi, R.D. Burman, Lata Mangeshkar and Asha Bhosle — and 90s Bollywood music by Shreya Ghoshal and Sonu Nigam — playing. I grew up listening to them."

Nandan Nilekani joins Modi's bid to make India a cashless society

PM Narendra Modi has roped in UIDAI chairman and Infosys co-founder Nandan Nilekani for help in handling the transition from a hard cash society to a cashless one, to ease the woes of demonetisation. According to a Bloomberg report, Nilekani, a high-profile Congress member, has joined a panel to chart out a path to digital payments.

The 13-member committee headed by Andhra Pradesh chief minister Chandrababu Naidu met for the first time last week, after which in an interview, Nilekani said, "India has the underlying digital financial architecture in place to get this going".

Nilekani, along with the other panel members, is working out ways to get more Indians to adopt digital mode of payments, by making use of their own smartphones and increasing the availability and use point-of-sale machines in local villages.

The committee is currently focusing on two key aspects: getting more merchants

to accept the United Payments Interface that has already been rolled out by major banks earlier this year in April, and procuring more point-of-sale de-

However, getting the estimated one million new POS devices will take much longer, because of the need of a tender to purchase them. Nilekani, who

this week to look at how to approach those with limited access to technology. While suggesting that each category of phone users should have a dif-

The real challenge is the 350 million people without phones, many of whom are poor. The plan is to attract all those enrolled in



VICES.

The interface makes transferring money as easy as sending a text message. According to Nilekani, boosting acceptance of this payments interface is achievable in weeks.

lost the 2014 elections to a key member in PM Modi's cabinet, said that breaking down the problem into digestible chunks is the first step to solving it.

The committee is likely to meet again

ferent strategy, Nilekani said that while India has 250 million smartphone users, there are about 350 million who only have feature phones while another 350 million don't have a phone at all.

Aadhaar, and enlist the remaining, toward micro ATMs promoted by large Indian lenders which already have a presence in 1,30,000 village retail outlets or kirana stores. "There is a sense of urgency," said Nilekani.

GST jurisdiction a difficult issue, hopeful of April roll-out: Arun Jaitley

NEW DELHI (KCN): Pinning hopes on quick resolution of the "difficult issue" of tax jurisdiction with states, Finance Minister Arun Jaitley today said that Goods and Services Tax regime will be rolled out from April next year.

Jaitley said the implementation of GST is bounded by a calendar deadline as the Constitutional Amendment provides that the existing indirect tax regime can continue only till September 16, 2017.

"It (GST jurisdiction) is a difficult issue. But I have always believed that in politics, logjams exist only to be resolved and in this case we have a calendar deadline. We are hoping that all will be resolved and we should be able to implement it by April 1," he said at the Petrotech conference here.

Jaitley said that the Centre and states are working out the mode of tax administration under which a tax payer would be assessed only once and that assessment has to be accepted by both the taxing authorities.

The all powerful

GST Council in their three successive meetings failed to break the deadlock over administrative control on assessees in the new tax regime.

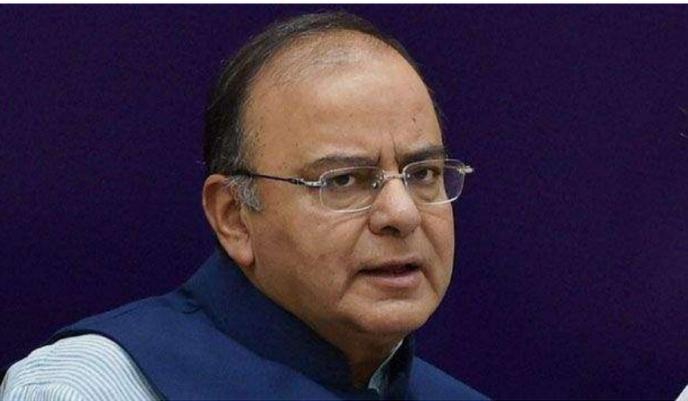
"The Constitutional Amendment

future," he said.

As per the GST Constitution Amendment Bill, which was notified on September 17, 2016, the government is required to complete the process of implementation of

work out a middle path.

The finalisation of these laws will pave the way for introduction of GST legislations in the ongoing Winter Session of Parliament, which



passed earlier this year says that the old taxation system can only be continued for a year. And that is one year from September 16, 2016. So from September 16, 2017, with regard to the old taxation system, the curtains will be down and the constitutional necessity of switching over to a new system does arise," Jaitley said.

"This issue of empowerment, which is essentially an administrative issue, is not a very impossible issue to resolve. I am quite certain would get resolved in near

GST within a year.

Jaitley said most of the issues as far as GST is concerned has been sorted out and the final drafts of legislations are being discussed.

The GST Council, which has Union Finance Minister and state representatives as members, met last weekend to discuss the tax jurisdiction, the model GST law, Integrated GST (IGST) law and compensation law. But consensus eluded the meet.

The Council will meet again on December 11 and 12 to

ends on December 16.

In November, the Council agreed on a four-slab structure — 5, 12, 18 and 28 per cent — along with a cess on luxury and 'sin' goods such as tobacco. States like West Bengal, Kerala, Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh and Tamil Nadu have insisted on exclusive control over small taxpayers, who earn less than Rs 1.5 crore in annual revenue, for both goods and services. But Centre is reluctant to divide the assessment on the basis of turnover.

Government to waive service tax on card transactions up to Rs 2,000

NEW DELHI (KCN): Government will waive service tax on debit and credit card transactions of up to Rs 2,000 in a bid to promote digital transactions amid cash crunch follow-

this effect will be tabled by Finance Minister Arun Jaitley in Parliament.

Following demo-netisation of old high value notes, there has been a cash crunch in the country

31 in different parts of the country.

The service tax notification of June 2012 will be amended to include exemption on credit and debit cards, the sources added.



ing withdrawal of old Rs 500 and 1,000 banknotes.

The government has decided to "exempt services by an acquiring bank to any person in relation to settlement of an amount up to Rs 2,000 in a single transaction through credit, debit card or other payment card service", sources said.

A notification to

as people have been making a beeline for banks and ATMs to withdraw new currency.

The government has been taking steps to promote cashless or digital transactions to take India towards a less-cash economy.

Recently, the government asked banks to install additional 10 lakh PoS terminals by March

As of now, services provided by organisations such as United Nations and other international bodies are exempt from tax.

A range of other services provided by arbitral tribunals, testing of newly developed drugs, educational institutions, trade unions, general insurance business and sports bodies, among others, too are exempt from the levy.

Competition Commission of India orders probe into Roche cancer drug

MUMBAI: India's antitrust regulator has ordered a probe into Swiss drugmaker Roche for allegedly using anti-competitive practices to restrict cheaper copies of a blockbuster can-

biosimilars of the drug in over a dozen countries including India, filed a complaint with the Competition Commission of India (CCI) last year alleging Roche misled doctors and

India in 2002 and sells it for about 75,000 rupees (\$1,170) for a 440 mg vial.

In an interim order released on Tuesday, the CCI said it found merit in

Biocon said it welcomed the CCI's order, which although not final, but the investigation could result in penalties, a lawyer at the Delhi High Court, who declined to be named, said.

Roche, which has been engaged in a legal tussle with Biocon and Mylan since 2014, has the option of filing a petition to contest the order, the lawyer added.

In their complaint, Biocon and Mylan allege Roche wrote to doctors, hospitals, and state and federal regulators, misleading them about the safety of efficacy of the biosimilar versions.

"When seen collectively in the background of surrounding facts and circumstances, they only appear to be a part of the bigger plan/strategy of Roche Group to eliminate competition posed by biosimilars to Roche's products in the relevant market," the CCI said in its order, made public on Tuesday.



cer drug from reaching patients.

Trastuzumab has been a mainstay of Roche's profit for years and brought in global sales of about \$6.7 billion in 2016, but it has been challenged in the last three years by biosimilars which are sold at about a 25 per cent discount to the original.

India's Biocon and U.S. firm Mylan, which together sell

regulators to thwart competition to trastuzumab.

Pharmaceutical major Lupin gets USFDA nod to market cancer drug

India, with among the highest number of cancer patients in the world, is a big market for trastuzumab, which is indicated to treat certain forms of breast and gastric cancer.

Roche first launched the drug in

Biocon and Mylan's arguments, and ordered its director general to conduct a "detailed investigation" and submit a report within 60 days.

"Roche adheres to all applicable laws and regulations in countries where it operates," Roche spokeswoman Shilpika Das said in a statement. "We are fully committed to cooperating with the authorities in India."

IPL Live Cricket Score, RPS vs KKR: Pune lose wickets in the death overs against Kolkata

Rising Pune Supergiant host Kolkata Knight Riders in Match no. 30 of the tenth edition of the Indian Premier League. RPS have enjoyed an upswing in their fortunes having won three games on the trot against Royal Challengers Bangalore, Sunrisers Hyderabad and table toppers Mumbai Indians. The latter signaled the end of Mumbai's six-game winning streak. Second placed Kolkata, on the other hand, made a statement of the strength of their squad and Gautam Gambhir's captaincy when they dismissed Royal Challengers Bangalore for a paltry total of 49, the lowest ever in the IPL, and seal an 82-run win. Catch live updates of RPS' match against KKR here. (Results | Fixtures | Points Table)

Live IPL score, RPS vs KKR, live updates:

2126 hrs IST: OUT! Dan Christian is the fifth wicket to fall and that's the end of the RPS innings. They have made 182/5, KKR need 183 to win.

2123 hrs IST: SIX! Steve Smith this time off the first ball of the last over bowled by Umesh Yadav. Takes a single off the next to get his 50.

2121 hrs IST: Woakes bowling the penultimate over, bowls one outside off and Christian goes big. The next ball also goes for a maximum, consecutive sixes of the last two balls!

2114 hrs IST: OUT! Manoj Tiwary follows suit. Kuldeep and Uthappa work in tandem once again. Umpire goes upstairs after they appeal for the stumping and the replays

show that Tiwary is indeed gone. RPS struggling in the death overs.

2111 hrs IST: GONE! MS Dhoni has been dismissed by Kuldeep. Kuldeep bowls the googly, Dhoni comes forward and Uthappa takes off the bails.

2108 hrs IST: Sunil Narine bowling the 16th over, Dhoni takes a single

off the second ball, asks Smith to run the second but the latter refuses.

2100 hrs IST: Dhoni with the little step out and hits Chawla all the way for a big six. He races to 13 off only five balls

2058 hrs IST: Dhoni steps out, gets to the pitch of the ball and hits in the gap for a boundary

2055 hrs IST: A little over six overs left, and Dhoni comes out to bat. Gambhir on the attack straightaway as he puts three men around the bat

2054 hrs IST: WICKET! Sharp work by Uthappa behind the stumps has Rahane (46) stumped off Sunil Narine, Pune 112/2

2052 hrs IST: Smith cuts one hard, gets a thick edge and it races to the fence for a boundary. The partnership is scoring runs for Pune at a very brisk pace

2048 hrs IST: Smith goes with Kuldeep's turn and hits it in the gap for a boundary. The skipper picked his spot with perfection on that occasion, brings up the 100 for Pune in the 13th over

2045 hrs IST: Rahane makes room, and hits Chawla up and over covers for another boundary. He's

playing spin well today, takes his individual score into the 40s now

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2041 hrs IST: More spin as Kuldeep Yadav prepares to bowl his first over of the night

2040 hrs IST: At the half-way mark, Pune are 83/1. Rahane and Smith in the middle for the hosts

2039 hrs IST: Rahane goes down on one knee and sweeps Chawla in the gap for a boundary, the opener takes his score into the 30s

2034 hrs IST: Nine coming off the Grandhomme over after Smith hits a boundary off the last ball. Pune 74/1 after nine, and umpire signals for the strategic timeout

2031 hrs IST: Steve Smith is the new man in for

Pune. The skipper joins Rahane in the middle

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2028 hrs IST: WICKET! Googly does the trick for Chawla as Tripathi drags one back on to his stumps. He clearly didn't read that. Pune 65/1 in the eighth over

2027 hrs IST: Piyush Chawla into the attack now. KKR need their spinners to come good today. It's a really good start by Pune

2025 hrs IST: MESSED...opportunity created, opportunity dropped. Tripathi miscues and Yusuf Pathan makes a mess of what looked like a regulation catch

2024 hrs IST: Grandhomme, who picked three wickets in the last game against RCB, is into the attack now

2022 hrs IST: Tripathi hits Narine for consecutive boundaries, takes Pune to 57/0 at the end of the sixth over. This is a terrific start by the hosts, after put into bat

2018 hrs IST: Runs continue to flow off Tripathi's bat and the right-hander continues to deal in boundaries. He has been a good find for Pune this

season, and has given them brisk starts so far

2017 hrs IST: SIX! Rahane goes after Woakes, and it goes the distance. Waits for the length delivery and slaps it for a 78m maximum

2013 hrs IST: Sharp work by Uthappa behind the stumps but Tripathi does well to get his back-leg behind the line, in time

2011 hrs IST: With the Pune openers liking the pace from the seamers, Gambhir turns to spin. Sunil Narine to bowl inside the powerplay as the first change

2007 hrs IST: CLASS...Tripathi stands tall and times one beautifully through covers. The right-hander got into a good position there and had no problem dealing with the decent Umesh's decent bounce

2005 hrs IST: Rahane ends the second over with a boundary. Eight coming off Woakes' first, KKR 14/0 after two

2002 hrs IST: Seamers in tandem as Gambhir introduces Chris Woakes from the other end. KKR seamers had a good game against Royal Challengers Bangalore as they bowled out last year's runners-up for only 49 - the lowest IPL total

2001 hrs IST: ALMOST! Tripathi chases Umesh delivery, gets a faint nick and the ball goes over Uthappa for the first boundary of the match. Lively start this by the seamer

2000 hrs IST: KKR enjoy a brilliant run at the MCA stadium in Pune. The Gautam Gambhir-led unit has won all five

matches played at this venue

159 hrs IST: Yadav is extracting decent bounce from the pitch, and getting a nice shape going away from the right-hander Rahane. The seamer has had a long season, having played 12 out of 13 Tests played by India

158 hrs IST: The match officials and two teams walk out to the middle. Ajinkya Rahane and Rahul Tripathi the two openers for hosts Pune. Umesh Yadav with the new ball for KKR

153 hrs IST: The visitors have added more spin to their bowling line-up as they rest Coulter-Nile and bring in leg-spinner Piyush Chawla, who joins Sunil Narine and Kuldeep Yadav

148 hrs IST: Pune, after convincing wins in their previous two games, would want to continue with that run and need a lot of

runs on the board against the in-form KKR batting line-up

1937 hrs IST: Ben Stokes is a bit sore, Steve Smith said at the toss. Pune have a very heavy batting order

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1935 hrs IST: The teamsheets are out. Here's a look at the two XIs

Rising Pune Supergiant Team: AM Rahane, RA Tripathi, SPD Smith (c), F du Plessis, MS Dhoni (wk), MK Tiwary, DT Christian, Washington Sundar, SN Thakur, JD Unadkat, Imran Tahir

Kolkata Knight Riders Team: G Gambhir (c), SP Narine, RV Uthappa (wk), DM Bravo, MK Pandey, YK Pathan, C de Grandhomme, CR Woakes, PP Chawla, Kuldeep Yadav, UT Yadav

1930 hrs IST: Right then, KKR win toss and without any hesitation have elected to field first. Both captains wanted to bat second at this ground. As far as team news is concerned, KKR bring in Darren Bravo, Piyush Chawla for Nathan Coulter-Nile and Suryakumar Yadav. For Pune, Faf Du Plessis is in for Ben Stokes

1925 hrs IST: We are less than five minutes away from the toss. Pune is high-scoring ground but the pitch today wears a green look. Stay tuned as we bring to you the up-

dates from the middle

1920 hrs IST: Big game this for KKR as a win here will put them in leading position. They have a better net run-rate than Mumbai Indians. As far as team news is concerned, KKR have rested Nathan Coulter-Nile for this game

1917 hrs IST: Two squads

Rising Pune Supergiant Squad: SPD Smith (c), MA Agarwal, Ankit Sharma, B Aparajith, AK Bains, R Bhatia, DL Chahar, RD Chahar, DT Christian, MS Dhoni, AB Dinda, F du Plessis, LH Ferguson, Imran Tahir, Jaskaran Singh, UT Khawaja, IC Pandey, AM Rahane, Saurabh Kumar, BA Stokes, M Tandon, SN Thakur, MK Tiwary, RA Tripathi, JD Unadkat, Washington Sundar, A Zampa

Kolkata Knight Riders Squad: G Gambhir (c), TA Boult, DM Bravo, PP Chawla, NM Coulter-Nile, C de Grandhomme, R Dhawan, SS Ghosh, SP Jackson, IR Jaggi, Kuldeep Yadav, CALynn, SP Narine, MK Pandey, YK Pathan, R Powell, AS Rajpoot, R Sanjay Yadav, Shakib Al Hasan, RV Uthappa, CR Woakes, SA Yadav, UT Yadav

1915 hrs IST: And we begin the second half of the tenth edition of the Indian Premier League with an exciting clash between Rising Pune Supergiant and Kolkata Knight Riders. Both teams are in good touch, and a keenly-contested contest in on the cards

