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Kejriwal granted bail by India's top court to campaign for election



The International Press government said the : India's top court has granted interim bail to Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal, more than a month after he was arrested in a corruption case, reports BBC.

According to his lawyer, there is no restriction on his election campaigning in the ongoing Lok Sabha 2024 polls.

The court said that the bail is applicable until 1 June after which he must surrender to authorities again.

A former anti-corruption crusader, Mr Kejriwal was arrested in connection with a now-scrapped alcohol sales policy in March.

He has denied the charges against him and has called his arrest "illegal"

The chief minister moved the Supreme Court after the Delhi High Court refused to give him bail last month. His bail was strongly opposed in court by India's financial crimes agency, the Enforcement

Directorate. On Friday, a bench of Justice Sanjiv Khanna and Justice Dipankar Datta said Mr Kejriwal would have to surrender on June 2, two days before the results of India's general election

are due. The court has said Mı Kejriwal would be allowed to campaign for the election upon his release but will not be allowed to perform official duties during that time. A member of the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP), Mr Kejriwal was arrested on March 21, days after the election dates were announced. He was the third AAP leader to be jailed in the case. The ED accused him of favouring liquor barons in exchange for kickbacks.

allegation. Critics said the action against Mr Kejriwal and several other opposition parties was politically motivated and denied them a level playing field in the parliamentary

The party has denied the

investigative agencies were just doing their work.

During his time in jail, Mr Kejriwal did not give up office. His party said he was running the Delhi government from prison. A diabetic, the Delhi chief minister's detention also caused concerns about his health among supporters. Last month, Mr Kejriwal

and his party accused prison authorities of refusing to give him proper treatment which, they said, had led to the spike in his blood glucose levels. The ED, however,

claimed he had

deliberately had too many mangoes and sweets to spike his sugar levels and use it as grounds for bail. He later received insulin shots after a court ordered doctors from a premier hospital to determine his medication. During the court proceedings, the ED opposed Mr Kejriwal's bail plea, claiming it would set a bad precedent as he had evaded the agency's summons nine times. Justice Khanna, however, said: "While granting interim bail, we examine whether there will be any misuse or if the person is a hardened criminal. That is not the case here.' In March, the arrest had also drawn comments from the US and Germany.

US State Department spokesperson, Mathew Miller said the country was closely following Mr Kejriwal's arrest and actions taken against opposition parties in

"We encourage fair, transparent, timely legal processes [in both cases]," Mr Miller said. The German foreign ministry said it hoped that Mr Kejriwal would get a "fair and impartial trial as India is a democratic nation".

India summoned senior diplomats of both the US and Germany to register



Modi won't become prime minister of India: Rahul Gandhi

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Congress leader Rahul Gandhi said on Friday (May 10) asserted that Narendra Modi will not make it to the post of prime minister this time as an INDIA bloc storm is arriving in Uttar Pradesh, reports PTI from Kannauj in Uttar Pradesh.

"You take it as a written guarantee that Narendra Modi is not going to become the prime minister of India. It's over," he said at a rally in Kannauj, from where Samaiwadi Partv president Akhilesh Yadav is contesting the Lok Sabha polls. "Aap likh ke le lo (take it in writing)," he said at the rally predicting that the BJP was set to lose the election. Apart from Gandhi and Yadav, Aam

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Pradesh. bloc rally. In Uttar Pradesh, the Congress is fighting on 17 of the 80 Lok Sabha seats. Last time, the BJP won 62 seats, and two went to its ally Apna Dal (S). The INDIA block has done the needed poll preparations over the past years, Gandhi said. He countered Modi again on his recent allegation that there was a nexus between the Congress and business tycoons Adani and Ambani. "You have seen that in 10 years, Narendra Modi ji had not taken the names of Adani and Ambani." the former Congress president said. But now he is talking the names of people who he thinks can save him, he said. "The INDIA bloc has surrounded me, I am losing. Save me, Adani-Ambani ji save me," Gandhi mocked. suggesting that the two industrialists were Modi's "friends". Citing a news report about

vehicles being

stopped from

reaching the rally venue. Gandhi said this would not prevent Akhilesh Yadav from winning in

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the earlier SP the United States would not necessarily defend government in allies from aggression Uttar Pradesh. and how he has pledged to "totally obliterate the "People who deep state" in the federal travel the bureaucracy, which he highway know blames for blocking his first-term agenda. that the highway "And he said a whole lot was built by the more," Biden said during a Chicago appearance. 'Samajwadis'," he "But the bad news is he means what he says. He means what he says. "We assure the Unless you think I'm people of kidding, just think back Kannauj that we to the 6th of January. This guy means what he will work to says," referring to the enhance the riot at the U.S. Capitol on Jan. 6, 2021. fragrance of Biden wants the 2024

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Joe Biden wants to remind 2024 voters of a record



particularly because the Republican is no longer ubiquitous on X, formerly Twitter, nor is he in front of television cameras as often as he once was. "Chaos is nothing new for Trump," Biden said in Chicago. "His presidency was chaos. Trump is trying to make the -- the country forget about the dark and unsettling things that he did when he was president. Well, we're going to not let them forget." Biden frequently highlights Trump's efforts to overturn the results of the 2020 election and how he stood by when stormed the Capitol as Congress met to certify his loss to Biden. He also points to Trump separating children from their families at the U.S.-Mexico border, tax cuts the Republican pushed through that benefited corporations and the wealthy and his repeated efforts to overturn the Affordable Care Act.

Trump's son Barron, 18, pulls out of political debut



The International Press: Donald Trump's youngest son Barron, 18, on Friday (10 May) stepped back from his planned political debut, withdrawing as a delegate at the Republican Party convention in July. Barron, who has been largely shielded from the public eve. made global headlines this week when it appeared he would be the latest member of the Trump family to enter the political arena. But a statement from the office of his mother Melania Trump, the former president's third wife, soon put a stop to the convention plan. While Barron is honored to have been chosen as a delegate by the Florida Republican Party, he regretfully declines to participate due to prior commitments, it said. The convention in Milwaukee will see Trump's official crowning as the Republican challenger to Democratic President Joe Biden, with delegates from each state designating their candidate for the November election. Barron would have appeared alongside his siblings Donald Trump

when his father was president, but has been fiercely protected from public view. Trump's oldest daughter, Ivanka, was a senior advisor in his first presidency alongside her husband Jared Kushner, while Don Jr. and Eric are regulars at Trump rallies and on the campaign trail. In March, the Republican National Committee elected Eric's wife Lara to a

leadership position.

Jr., Eric Trump and

Barron lived in the

Tiffany Trump as part of

the Florida delegation.

White House as a child

Bengal governor must explain why he should not resign: Mamata



The International Press: West **Bengal Chief** Minister Mamata Banerjee on Saturday slammed Governor C V Ananda Bose over allegations of molestation against him, and said he must explain why he should not step down, reports Press Trust of India. Addressing a poll rally here in support of TMC's Hooghly

candidate Rachana

Banerjee, the CM also asserted she would not step inside the Raj Bhavan till Bose remains the governor.

"The governor says 'didigiri' (highhandedness) will not be tolerated...But, I say Mr Governor, your 'dadagiri' will not work anymore," the TMC supremo said.

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India fully withdraws soldiers from Maldives

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Religious fanaticism is still a glaring threat for peace in South Asia

Why do religious militants think their actions are right or righteous? What keeps me from acting like them? Why do some religious persons act on their beliefs in charitable, inspiring and deeply humane ways? Is secularism the solution to religious violence, or is it part of the problem? This Element explores the vexed issue of violence done in the name of God, looking at the topic through the lens of peace and conflict studies, religious studies and historical studies. The beliefs of various communities, religious and secular, are explored, looking at how convictions inhibit and enable violence. This Element aims to foster a deeper and more nuanced understanding of the promises and perils of religion so that readers can better respond to a world filled with violence. Religious fundamentalism is meticulous adherence to the strict interpretation of religion while religious extremism goes further by including violent action to ensure this adherence. Following this analysis, the chapter provides a brief account of extremist actions taken in the name of Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Buddhism and Hinduism. It then discusses the balance between countering religious extremism and ensuring human rights. Religious extremism is not a new phenomenon in South Asia but it has certainly grown during the 21st century and that too across the region. While there are historical reasons behind religious divisions and

Muslim extremists is linked to how religion was used as a tool to recruit and mobilize mujahedeen against the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan between 1979 and 1988, the global dynamics after the September 11, 2001

terrorist attacks and the "war on terror" have also influenced religious radicalization and extremism in Pakistan. In contrast, **Buddhist and Hindu** nationalism have been key drivers of religiously motivated extremism targeting religious minorities. especially Muslims, in Sri Lanka and India. There are similarities in terms of how Buddhist, Hindu, and Muslim extremist groups have been propagating hate and inciting violence: for instance, many extremist groups now increasingly use social media. As this article argues, the presence of religious extremism in South Asia presents a significant challenge to peace and security. This includes various forms of extremism targeting

different religious groups and promoting anti-Western sentiments. International terrorist organizations are active in the region, while Hindu and Buddhist nationalists contribute to the marginalization and violence against Muslims. Creating an environment of tolerance. inclusivity, and respect for all religious communities is crucial to address these complex issues effectively.

Save India from dictatorship

The International Press: A top opponent of Indian **Prime Minister** Narendra Modi yesterday urged his compatriots to resist

"dictatorship", after the country's top court provisionally released him from jail to campaign in national elections. Arvind Kejriwal, chief minister of the capital Delhi and a key leader in an opposition

alliance formed to compete against Modi in the polls, was granted bail on Friday after weeks in custody. In a defiant press conference the day after his release, Kejriwal said the outcome of the election would determine whether India remained a democracy. "I have come to beg 1.4 billion

people to save my

country," he said. "Save my country from this dictatorship." Kejriwal also personally accused the prime minister of targeting his opponents with criminal probes. "Modi has started a very dangerous mission," he said. "Modi will send all opposition leaders to jail." Kejriwal's government was

accused of corruption when it liberalised the sale of liquor in 2021 and gave up a lucrative government stake in the sector. The policy was withdrawn the following year, but the resulting probe into the alleged corrupt allocation of licences has since led to the jailing of two top Kejriwal allies.

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office's chief spokesperson, confirmed to the media that the last of the Indian soldiers stationed in Maldives had been repatriated, without giving an exact number of troops. She added details about the number of the soldiers stationed would be disclosed later. Maldives had earlier said in a government statement that 51 out of the total number of Indian troops stationed in the country were repatriated to India on Monday. The government earlier announced the presence of

Maldives, citing official documents. After Muizzu set the May 10 deadline, India agreed to withdraw its troops from the country before the last date to avoid any conflicts. At a media briefing in New Delhi on Thursday, External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal said the first and the second batches of the Indian personnel returned to India and "now deputation of competent Indian technical personnel has taken place" to operate the three Indian aviation platforms. This development comes just a day after India's External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar

89 Indian soldiers in the

met with his Maldivian counterpart Moosa Zameer. The two leaders had extensive talks on bilateral ties and regional security issues of India and Maldives Zameer said that the two foreign ministers also discussed the possibility of President Muizzu making a visit to New Delhi very soon The Maldives is India's key maritime neighbour in the Indian Ocean Region and occupies a special place in its initiatives like 'SAGAR' (Security and Growth for All in the Region) and the 'Neighbourhood First Policy'

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why he should not resign after such allegations were levelled against him," she said. A contractual woman employee of the Raj Bhavan had last week lodged a complaint with the Kolkata Police, alleging that she was molested by Bose in the governor's house on April 24 and May 2. Bose had screened multiple CCTV footage of the Raj Bhavan on May 9, in a bid to clear the air over allegations of molestation brought against him. "The governor had released an edited video. I saw the entire footage and its contents are shocking. I have got another video... Your conduct is

shameful," the chief minister said. "I am not going to the Raj Bhavan till he is the governor... I prefer to meet him on the streets," she

asserted.

BJP leader Deveraje Gowda taken into police custody in Karnataka sex scandal proofs and distort the



The International Press: BJP leader Deveraje Gowda was taken into police custody on Friday night near Hiriyur in the Chitradurga district after allegations of molestation and sexual harassment were levelled against him

Notably, Gowda, who recently grabbed headlines over links with the alleged obscene video case involving Hassan MP Prajwal Revanna, had flagged the matter to central BJP leadership in December 2023 before the party joined hands

with Janata Dal (Secular). The Special Investigation Team (SIT), probing the Praiwal Revanna sex scandal case, had directed Gowda to appear before it.

He will be taken for further investigation to Hassan district where a sexual harassment case against him was registered after a woman lodged a complaint in April. Gowda has been charged under sections 354 (A), 354C, 448, 504, 506, and 34 of the IPC and 66(E) of the

Information Technology Act, 2008.

Earlier on May 6, Gowda had publicly denounced the ruling Congress government in Karnataka, condemning it for "trying to frame the BJP and Prime Minister Narendra Modi' in Prajwal Revanna case. The grand old party, however,

rebuffed all accusations made by Gowda calling it a "bundle of lies"

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Gowda also alleged that the Karnataka government was making attempts to stifle the investigation, terming the SIT as "remote-controlled" by the state government. Blue Corner notice issued

against Prajwal Revanna Earlier, Karnataka Home Minister, G Parameshwara said that a Blue Corner notice was issued against Prajwal Revanna.

A blue notice permits Interpol to gather details regarding an individual's identity. whereabouts, or actions linked a criminai inquiry

Parameshwara also said that the state government is requesting Interpol's help in repatriating Prajwal Revanna, accused of serious sexual

Earlier, Janata Dal (Secular) party leader HD Revanna was arrested in the matter and brought to the SIT office. The action was taken by the police on the basis of a complaint filed by the son of the woman who was allegedly abducted and sexually abused"

The FIR alleged that the woman who worked as a housemaid at HD Revanna's home for six years was sexually abused by Revanna's son Prajwal, who is also the Lok Sabha candidate for BJP-JD(S) from the Hassan constituency, before returning to her village.

PM Modi tells Sharad Pawar and Uddhav Thackeray to join BJP-led NDA, NCP (SP) leader responds



The International Press: Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday (May 10) took a swipe at Uddhav Thackeray and Sharad Pawar advising the NCP (SP) leader and Shiv Sena (UBT) chief to join hands with Ajit Pawar and Eknath Shinde after the results of Lok Sabha polls are released instead of "dying by merging" with the Congress.

"A big leader here who is active for 40-50 years is worried after polling in Baramati (Lok Sabha seat). He says that after June 4, smaller parties, in order to

survive, will merge with the Congress," PM Modi said in an apparent reference to Pawar without taking his name

"This means the nakli NCP and nakli Shiv Sena have made up their minds to merge with the Congress," PM Modi said, addressing an election rally in Nandurbar district of north Maharashtra.

"But instead of dying by merging with the Congress, come to Ajit Pawar and Eknath Shinde," the prime minister exclaimed.

Pawar reacts Pawar, reacting to PM Modi's comments said that he will not partner with any person, party or ideology that does not back

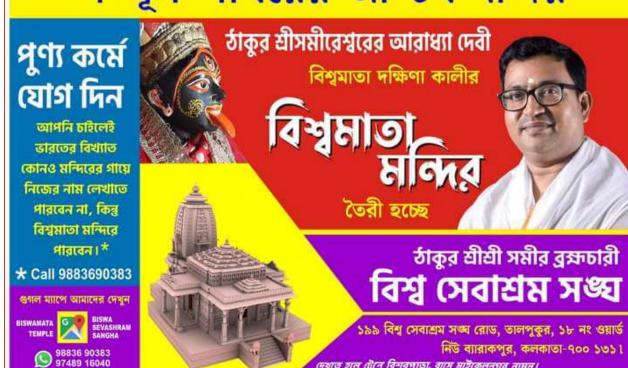
of the Modi government.

parliamentary democracy. "PM Modi's recent speeches have been conducive to creating rifts among communities, which is dangerous for the country. Wherever things are not in the nation's interest, neither I nor my colleagues will venture," he said.

PM Modi's remarks came after the NCP (SP) leader in a recent statement said that factions and regional parties should either come closer or merge with the Congress in the coming years.

"In the next couple of years, several regional parties will associate more closely with the Congress. Or they may look at the option of merging with the Congress if they believe that is the best for their party," NCP (SP) chief

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Just News & Cinema

'BJP will scrap Muslim reservation and give it to SC, ST, OBC, asserts Amit Shah

India's Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Thursday (May 9) asserted that if the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) comes to power, then it will scrap the Muslim reservation and will increase the reservation of SC, ST, and OBC



Anushka makes first public appearance since son's birth

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Rahul baba doesn't even stay till sunset." Shah slammed Gandhi for making false promises stating, "Rahul Gandhi promised to forgive the farmer loans but he didn't, he promised to give Rs 15,000 to farmers but he didn't fulfil that." "He (Rahul Gandhi) promised to give loans of Rs 5 lakh to students without guarantee but didn't, he didn't give scooty to girl students as promised by him, and he didn't open International Schools in every Taluka. The Congress doesn't fulfil its promises while PM Modi ji fulfils every promise," he further said. Yadav calls for Muslim reservation, stirs political row Shah's comments Congress party has came after Rashtriya Janata reservations of SC. Dal (RJD) supremo Lalu Prasad Yadav stirred a political row with his said at a rally in the remarks about giving complete reservation to "In 2019, the public Muslims. Calling for a Muslim quota, the former Bihar chief minister said,

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Haiti to rotate transitional council leader

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"Cohesion within the

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transitional presidential

council is an overriding

necessity to guarantee a

to a rotating presidency.'



The International Press: Haiti's transitional ruling council which is leading the violence-wracked Caribbean nation will rotate its leadership every five months according to a decree seen by AFP Friday, following internal political strife among its members.

The new council came to power last month as Haiti's unpopular and unelected prime minister Ariel Henry submitted his formal resignation after armed gangs rose up and demanded his ouster.

Several days after the council's nine members were sworn in, they chose politician Edgard Leblanc Fils from among themselves to head the long-awaited governing

But his appointment to the role, whose main purpose is coordination, was not without internal

controversy. Leblanc Fils and three other members of the council announced a political alliance with the intention to vote as a bloc, a move that was particularly significant given only seven of the council's nine members have voting rights. Among the bloc's intended decisions was appointment of former sports minister Fritz Belizaire as prime minister, an unexpected move which outraged the

In order to "avoid any dysfunction in the council," the decree seen by AFP

other three voting

members.

multidimensional crisis facing the Haitian nation," the decree read. Haiti, a nation of 11.6 million people, has suffered from poverty, political instability and natural disasters for decades. It is the poorest country in the Americas. Its situation plummeted starting in late February as powerful and well-armed gangs that control most of the capital Port-au-Prince and much of the country went on a rampage they said was aimed at toppling prime minister Henry.

In recent days, the United States has flown 21 sorties into Port-au-Prince. delivering cargo and civilian contractors, according to information published by the US Southern Command on Friday.

The objective is to help prepare Haiti for deployment of a UNbacked multinational force -- to be led by Kenya -which is tasked with helping its beleaguered police rein in the criminal



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Do Aur Do Pyaar: Vidya Balan Heaps Praises on Debutante Director Shirsha Guha Thakurta, Says 'She Knew Her Job' Mira Rajput Kapoor. Neha n Peecee about it." Another

The International Press : Bollywood actor Shahid Kapoor stole the hearts of the audience when he made his debut with Isha Vishkk. From then on he was touted as a chocolate boy, for his sweet facial features and adorable smile. He went on to become a versatile performer who often leaves the netizens impressed. As he is currently busy shooting for his upcoming projects, a video from Neha Dhupia's show surfaced on the internet where he opened up about two of his ex-girlfriends who cheated on him. As the video went viral, fans started speculating who he was talking

A netizen shared the video clipping on the subreddit Bolly Blinds N Gossips, where Shahid arrived at the show with his wife

proceeds to ask him if anyone has cheated on him and who they are. Mira chimes in and corrects the former. She asks her to rephrase the question by telling her to ask how many. As the Chup Chup Ke actress asks him how many women have cheated on him, the 43-year-old actor bursts out laughing and says, "I'm sure about one, I have major doubts about another one. So. I think a couple of them. I'm not going to name any of them."

Well, the clip instantly went viral on Reddit, leaving fans to speculate on who the Teri Baaton Mein Aisa Uljha Jiya actor was talking about. Many stated that it must be Priyanka Chopra and Kareena Kapoor. One wrote, "Neha saying :- you should name them as if she can scold Kareena

wrote, "She should be saying. It's their choice shahid." Other one wrote, "i mean wasn't pc lusting on srk on kwk when she was with him and he was besides her?" One commented, "He's sure about Priyanka and has suspicions about Kareena. There was that notorious blind about how Priyanka threatened have him blacklisted by SRK's clout and influence. On the work front, Shahid Kapoor has an interesting lineup ahead of him. He has Deva, co-starring Pooka Hegde, and Ashwatthama: The Saga Continues in his pipeline. Fans have been eagerly waiting for the actor to

share more glimpses and





SPOTTED! Alia Bhatt Wears 'Kaala Teeka' To Met Gala 2024, To Ward Off Evil Eye; Netizens REACT As Photos Of The Actress Go Viral

The International Press: Alia Bhatt garnered national as well as international headlines on Monday with her breathtaking appearance on the Met Gala 2024 carpet. Having climbed the ladders of success ever since making her debut in Bollywood with Karan Johar's Student Of The Year, she even made her Hollywood debut with Heart Of Stone. For more than a day, she has been a trending topic on social media for her slaying the Sabyásachi saree during the prestigious fashion event.

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Anushka makes first public appearance since son's birth



The International Press: Actor Anushka Sharma was spotted at the Bengaluru cricket stadium as she cheered for her husband-cricketer Virat Kohli and his team, Royal Challengers Bangalore. This marks Anushka's first public appearance since the birth of their son, Akaay Kohli. Roya Challengers Bangalore clashed against the Gujarat Titans at the Chinnaswamy Stadium in the

As the match progressed, the cameras captured different expressions of Anushka in the stands. Anushka was seen as shocked and relieved at the same time after Virat Kohli

survived a runout. She was also seen smiling and clapping as Virat hit back-to-back sixes. Anushka stood, clapped and smiled when Virat blew her stunned as Virat got out. For the event, Anushka wore a striped blue shirt and pants.

While this marked her first public appearance post Akaav's birth. recent glimpses of Anushka surfaced during her birthday celebrations, where she joined Virat and his RCB teammates for an intimate gathering. RCB's Faf du Plessis shared a snapshot of the celebration, showcasing Anushka's presence among the close-knit

On her birthday, Virat shared a post on Instagram, expressing gratitude for her unwavering support and love. Anushka and Virat got married in 2017. They welcomed daughter Vamika in 2021 and son Akaay on February 15, 2024. Announcing the birth of their son, the couple in a joint statement, said, "With abundant happiness and our hearts all of love, we are pleased to inform everyone that on 15th February, we welcomed our baby boy Akaay & Vamika's little brother into this world!

Sports News

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Hoeness said in late April that the coach was not skilled in developing talents and instead preferred to buy Tuchel said the comments "hurt his honour as a coach" and surely snuffed out any chance he may stay beyond the coming season. Amid the ongoing crises of their own making, Kane --

who arrived as Bayern's

(\$107 million) -- keeps

season. Kane's

record purchase in August

scoring to bail the club out.

He now has 44 goals in 44

games in all competitions,

officially his best return in a

effectiveness and efficiency

in front of goal has turned

disastrous season into one

which could end in glory for

After scoring from the spot to

Ťuesday, Kane told reporters

what could have been a

give Bayern the lead on

"of course I dreamed of

playing in the Champions

League final at Wembley.'

"It's 0-0 now, one game to

comes down to next week

and we have to perform on

Thomas Mueller, a two-time

Champions League winner

who has lifted almost every

team honour available, said

Monday efficiency would be

"It's a game on equal terms,

on a knife's edge. Football is

about being effective. It's a

whether we are effective in

the moments where we have

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T20 World Cup 2024: Not Bumrah or Suryakumar Yadav -**Ravi Shastri Picks These 2 Players as Key For India**

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Crisis-hit Bayern banking on Kane and victory to change the narrative



The International Press: Six-time Champions League winners Bayern Munich head into Wednesday's second semi-final at Real Madrid ever more reliant on striker Harry Kane amid swirling off-field crises entirely of their own making. Bayern still do not have a coach lined up for next season, with reports emerging on Monday that Julen Lopetegui became the latest to knock back the German giants, with the Spaniard chosing West Ham instead

Bayern drew 2-2 at home against Real in the first leg and need a win to progress to Wembley, the site of their famous victory over rivals Borussia Dortmund in 2013. With Dortmund 1-0 up heading to their second semi-final at Paris Saint-Germain, a repeat of the all-German final is on the

Even just appearing in a Champions League final, let alone winning a seventh crown, would change the

narrative surrounding

Bayern's disappointing season. Kane, famously still without a team trophy despite a decade collecting individual honours, left Tottenham for the stability of serial winners Bayern last summer. Bayern's stumbles and Bayer Leverkusen's incredible unbeaten season under Xabi Alonso ended the Bavarians' 11-year Bundesliga title streak in

Bayern's elimination in the German Cup at the hands of third-division Saarbruecken -- with Kane on the bench throughout -- meant that the Champions League was their only chance of a trophy

One win away -While that looked unlikely when Bayern lost 1-0 at Lazio in the last 16 first leg with coach Thomas Tuchel agreeing to leave the club just days later -- the German behemoths are just one win away from a 12th

Champions League final. But while the club and their hierarchy continue to suffer from self-inflicted wounds on and off the pitch, Kane is reliably carrying them to within touching distance of a Wembley return and a possible seventh crown. A member-run club without wealthy majority ownership, Bayern are consistently held up as a model of success fuelled by stable, sensible

pitch. Their record with head coaches however leaves much to be desired. Since Pep Guardiola's departure in

decisions both on and off the

2016 after three years at the

Allianz Arena, none of

Bayern's seven coaches

have served at least two

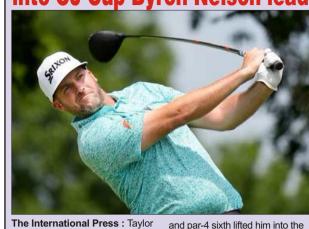
seasons. Most recently the lack of consistent thinking has been jarring. Bayern sacked Julian Nagelsmann for the crime of being one point behind leaders Borussia Dortmund in March 2023.

In February 2024 Bayern agreed to part ways with Nagelsmann's replacement Thomas Tuchel at season's end.

After failing to get Alonso, Bayern were reportedly rebuffed in their attempts to bring back Nagelsmann, now Germany coach, along with Austria manager Ralf Rangnick.

- 'Big occasion' -Bayern fans had signed a petition calling for Tuchel to stay at the club, but honourary president Uli

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The International Press: Taylor Pendrith made back-to-back eagles on his way to grabbing a one-stroke lead after Saturday's third round of the CJ Cup Byron Nelson tournament.

The 32-year-old Canadian fired an eight-under par 63 to stand on 19-under 194 after 54 holes at TPC Craig Ranch in McKinney, Texas.

"I'm swinging the golf club really good right now," Pendrith said. "I'm trusting my game, chipping it really well and putting it good. Just go out there and do the same as I've been doing and try not to worry about the other

The bogey-free day, Pendrith's second-lowest PGA round, was good enough to seize the top spot over American Jake Knapp, who sank a 16-foot birdie putt at the par-5 18th hole for a bogeyfree 67 to stand on 195. It was the day's longest made putt for the 56th-ranked PGA rookie, who won his first tour

title at the Mexico Open in February. England's Matt Wallace and American Ben Kohles shared third on 196 with Sweden's Alex Noren and American Kelly Kraft sharing fifth on 198. Pendrith seeks his first PGA

Tour title with his best finish so far a runner-up spot at Detroit in "I've been in this position a few times and haven't gotten it done," Pendrith said. "I think I've learned I've just got to go out

"Now it's about getting over the finish line in Madrid. there and be aggressive and keep making birdies, especially on a course like this where it yields so (Real are) extremely dangerous but very playable. Whether they are "It'll be fun. I'm looking forward to beatable is for us to

T20 World Cup 2024: Rohit Sharma, Kuldeep Yadav

& Ravindra Jadeja Feature in Team India Jersey Launch

Pendrith's eagles at the par-5 fifth

lead at 16-under. He chipped in from 27 feet at the fifth and then chipped in from 41 yards two shots later at six

"It was nice to see those fall,"
Pendrith said. "The first one had a little bit of speed on the chip and hit the pin in the middle and went around the hole and dropped. The second one was a beautiful shot that rolled in like a putt, so nice to get off to a great start through six holes. Knapp matched him for the lead with a tap-in birdie at the fifth, two-putting from just inside 63

feet, and Kohles grabbed a share of the lead with an eagle putt at the par-5 ninth from just inside 12 feet. Pendrith, ranked 107th, then sank a six-foot birdie putt at the

ninth to reclaim the solo lead at A birdie putt from just inside five feet at the 12th and another from just inside 18 feet at 13 lifted Pendrith to a three-stroke

lead at 19-under Knapp dropped his approach inches from the hole at the 14th and tapped in for birdie and Kohles closed with a three-foot birdie putt as both pulled within two shots of the lead before Knapp trimmed another at 18 Wallace, a four-time European

Tour winner, seeks his second PGA triumph after last year's Puntacana Championship. English 16-year-old amateur Kris Kim, the youngest player to make a PGA cut since 2015, fired a 70 to stand on 205. "I realized how good my short game is, how I can rely on it sometimes, especially days like today where I sucked at hitting irons," Kim said. "Made up for it

T20 World Cup 2024: Not Bumrah or Suryakumar Yadav - Ravi Shastri Picks These 2 Players as Key For India



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Ravi Shastri Shastri has picked out two players set to debut at senior ICC events for India Yashasvi Jaiswal and Shivam Dube - as key to the team's hopes in the Caribbean and USA for the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2024 in June.

title since 2007.

Jaiswal and Dube were named in India's 15member squad for the tournament beginning next month. The duo have been in good touch over the last few months.

While Jaiswal was in top form in the Test series against England with a record tally of runs and carried that form with a century in IPL 2024, Dube has smashed 26 sixes in 11 matches in the ongoing Indian Premier League and is in top form with the

"The two gentlemen you've got to watch out for, and both are left-handers, both playing their first World Cup. One is [Yashasvi] Jaiswal. We know a lot about him, he did extremely well against England, explosive at the top of the order, lefthander, he's young, he's fearless and he'll play shots," Shastri told ICC. "But there's someone in the middle order, please watch out for This

because he is explosive, he's devastating and he's a match-winner. He hits sixes for fun, and when it comes to spin bowling, he can kill you.' The Mumbai all-rounder, who plays for Chennai Super Kings (CSK) in the

IPL, has been on top of the six-hitting charts since IPL 2022, smashing over 70 sixes in the period. Citing his six-hitting ability,

Shastri warned the opposition bowlers be it spin or fast are going to travel all around the park when Dube takes stike at the T20 World Cup. "He'll park a few balls out of Long Island into the small island, he's that kind of a player. He hits it big, he hits it long, and like I said, against spin, he could kill you. Even against the fast bowlers, he's worked out his game, he's understood the way to play," Shastri added.

"And I think he holds the key at that number five, number six position because if you're on the doldrums, you want someone to change it in 20-25 balls, he's the player to go to." Dube has struck at a rate of 170.73 in IPL 2024 while

also averaging over 40 for his 350 runs in 11 games

this year. The left-hander was singled out for huge praise by Shastri, who thinks Dube's big-hitting could unlock big totals for India in the competition. "His strike rate, which will be close to 200 most of the time, will help India immensely in going forward, getting those 190s, 200s that are needed in big competitions, especially like the [T20] World Cup So enjoy it, watch out for this left-hander - he's big, he's strapping, and he hits a long ball," Shastri

MLS must attract best players to grow: Infantino



The International

Press:FIFA president Gianni Infantino said Monday Major League Soccer needs to sign more top players in order to boost the profile of the sport in the United States. Infantino, speaking at a conference in Los Angeles, said he told MLS officials recently that bringing in the world's best players would take football to the next level.

"I told them you have to be a bit more bold, a bit more in the game," Infantino said at the Milken Institute Global Conference. "Bring in the best players.' Infantino said Inter Miami's signing of Lionel Messi, and the club's acquisition of other big-name players such as Luis Suarez and Sergio Busquets, had proven the demand for top talent amongst US fans.

to the record 65,612 crowd who flocked to the New England Revolution's recent home game against Miami at Gillette Stadium, home of the NFL's New England Patriots.

"The 'Messi effect' if we want to call it that way, you see Messi and Inter Miami filling stadiums, and not MLS stadiums but NFL stadiums," Infantino said.

MLS salary and roster restrictions mean that teams are unable to spend freely when it comes to signing top players.

However the league has faced growing calls -- not least from broadcast partner Apple TV -- to relax those rules in order to enable clubs to target more top talent. Infantino said bringing in top talent would ultimately reap The FIFA chief alluded dividends at grass

roots level in North America, encouraging young players to believe they could forge a career in soccer. "We want to see the

best so we need to

bring them the best players, but also the best game, and the best spectacle," Infantino said. "For this we need to invest in the players because we want to show to the kids who play soccer when they are at school or when they are very young, that there is a path in soccer to glory to

become one of these

world stars.

"This is what maybe they don't see yet. They see it in basketball, American football, in baseball and ice hockey. But in soccer, it's still kind of far away. You have to go to Europe. And is there really a great American soccer player?"

The International Press: Team India's new jersey was unveiled on Monday (May 6) by kit manufacturers Adidas for the upcoming T20 World Cup 2024, which is scheduled to be held in the United States and the West Indies next month. The Indian cricket team will sport a twotone design this year similar to the one they wore as a secondary kit in the 2019 ODI

Team India T20 World Cup 2024 Jersey launch Adidas on Monday (May 6) shared a video featuring India captain Rohit Sharma, all-rounder Ravindra Jadeja, and left-arm

World Cup with

the sleeve.

shades of orange on

spinner Kuldeep Yadav watch on a helicopter carrying Team India's new T20 jersey at the picturesque HPCA Stadium in Dharamsala. "One jersey. One Nation. Presenting the new Team India T20 jersey," Adidas wrote on their Instagram. BCCI also reposted the video via their social media accounts. Watch the Team India jersey launch video here: Team India will start their T20 World Cup campaign against Ireland on June 5th at the Nassau County International Cricket Stadium in New York followed by the muchanticipated clash against arch-rivals Pakistan at the same

venue on June 9th. India will then play USA on June 12th in New York before travelling to Florida to face Canada in the final group stage match at the Central **Broward Regional** Park Stadium in Lauderhill on June 15. The Indian cricket

team's squad to play in the show-piece tournament was announced last week. And the squad seems well-balanced as Rohit & Co aim to lift the title again 17 vears after they first lifted it. Rishabh Pant is all

set to make his international return following a good IPL 2024. Joining him in the squad are Sanju Samson, Shivam Dube, Kuldeep Yadav and Jasprit Bumrah among others. Here is a look at the Rohit Sharma-led squad: India T20 World Cup 2024 Squad Rohit Sharma (captain), Hardik Pandya (vc), Yashasvi Jaiswal, Virat Kohli, Suryakumar Yadav, Rishabh Pant (wicketkeeper), Sanju Samson (wicketkeeper), Shivam Dube, Ravindra Jadeja, Axar Patel, Kuldeep Yadav, Yuzvendra Chahal, Arshdeep Singh, Jasprit Bumrah, Mohd. Siraj. Reserves: Shubman Gill, Rinku Singh, Khaleel Ahmed and Avesh Khan.

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