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World Cup Schedule this week

FEB 23, MONDAY
3:30 AM (Feb 23)
England vs Scotland

FEB 24, TUESDAY
9:00 AM
West Indies vs Zimbabwe

FEB 25, WEDNESDAY
9:00 AM
Ireland vs United Arab Emirates

FEB 26, THURSDAY
3:30 AM (Feb 26)
Afghanistan vs Scotland

9:00 AM
Bangladesh vs Sri Lanka

FEB 27, FRIDAY
9:00 AM
South Africa vs West Indies

FEB 28, SATURDAY
6:30 AM
New Zealand vs Australia

12:00 PM
India vs United Arab Emirates
Pool B at W.A.C.A. Ground, Perth

MAR 01, SUNDAY
3:30 AM (Mar 01)
England vs Sri Lanka

9:00 AM
Pakistan vs Zimbabwe

again had a productive partnership that yielded 127 runs for the second wicket. Kohli (46, 60 balls) again was playing the role of an anchor before a moment's indiscretion saw him gift his wicket to leg-spinner Imran Tahir by posting his long hop straight to Faf du Plessis at short mid-wicket. However, Rahane was in a mood to make amends for his failure during Pakistan game as he matches Dhawan stroke for stroke during their rollicking 125-run stand for the third wicket

in only 16.3 overs. Rahane hit seven fours and three sixes with Dhawan, who has regained his form just when it mattered the most, started his innings from where he had left off against Pakistan. It started with a clip off Vernon Philander to square leg boundary followed by a square drive off Dale Steyn. Then came an attractive cover drive as Dhawan got going. Any width outside the off-stump was dealt with ferocity. The MCG track offering even bounce, the ball came

to bat beautifully, just what the Delhi left-hander required. It couldn't have been a better venue for Dhawan than the MCG as Melbourne is his second home, where he stays with his wife Ayesha and three children, when he is not on tour. He did give a chance at 52 when his flashy cut shot was dropped by Hashim Amla at backward point off Parnell's bowling but there was no looking back after that. The shot that got him his century was also just a push through the

cover point region off Parnell that reached the boundary. The celebration was typically Dhawan, helmets off, bat raised and arms stretched like wings with a sense of satisfaction in that wide grin. His first six was a slower delivery from Steyn that he picked early while the second one was the shot of the Indian innings. It was a flicked six by Dhawan off a Morne Morkel delivery. It was a case of pure hand-eye coordination as Morkel bowled one fuller onto his legs and he whipped it over

deep square leg with a little shuffle. Rahane also showed why he is rated so highly by one and all. The six over long-off of Steyn's bowling was a pure delight as was his step out off Tahir to dispatch him for maximum. For South Africa, Steyn bowled a brilliant last over with four dot balls to end with figures of 1/55 while Morne Morkel had 2/59 from nine overs. Parnell recorded the worst figures of 1/85 off nine overs with consolation wicket of Dhawan.

India beat SA by 130 Runs

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India has changed the trend of getting defeated in world cup; they scored a massive total of 307 runs and defeated South Africa by 130 Runs.

India clinched a convincing 130-run win against South Africa in a World Cup match at the MCG on Sunday to break their jinx against the Proteas in the tournament. Earlier, pressure mounted on the South African batting after their skipper AB de Villiers was run out for 30 and Faf du Plessis was dismissed for 55 while chasing 308. No team has ever made 300 while batting second at the MCG. earlier Shikhar Dhawan blazed his way to a career-best century as India posted a commendable 307 for seven against title contenders South Africa in the second group league encounter of the ICC Cricket World Cup, here today. Courtesy Dhawan's 137 off 146 balls and Ajinkya Rahane, who blasted his way to 79 off 60 deliveries, India posted their highest total in a World Cup game against the Proteas surpassing their previous highest of 296 in Nag-



307

India

137

S Dhawan

3/41

R Ashwin

177

South Africa

pur, during the last edition of the mega-event. It was yet another mini-collapse at the death as India lost five wickets for 46 runs in the last 6.3 overs. En route his seventh ODI ton, that had 16 boundaries and two sixes, Dhawan earned the distinction of achieving the highest score by any batsman in a World Cup game

against South Africa. The Delhi left-hander's love affair with South African bowling continued and this was his second ODI hundred against the Proteas in successive ICC tournaments, after having scored one back in 2013 in a Champions Trophy game in Cardiff. The Indian top-order once again fired beautifully. Dhawan and Virat Kohli

Mewar's Expectations from Budget

Virendra Shrivastava

Since last decade during the elections, the slogan "agar kadi se kadi judegi tabhi kshetra ka vikas hoga" (if the links are joined, only then the region would be developed) is raised with much clamour. Before Lok Sabha elections there was UPA government in the centre and there was Congress government in the state before Assembly Elections. During this period, despite joining links the development of Mewar division was not as expected. Yes it is true that Udaipur got connected to Chittor by broad gauge and it also got a number of trains and the commutation from Udaipur to Jaipur has now become convenient. After every 8 hours, there is a train for Jaipur. Trains to Delhi, Chetak Express and Mewar Express, are also available. Udaipur is now connected to Kota, Indore, Mumbai and Kolkata, though the frequency is too less. There is only one train to Mumbai and Kolkata in a week. The time has changed and the centre and state is run by BJP government. The rail budget and the general budget are going to be presented next week. By the next issue of Royal Harbinger, these budgets would already have come.

The project of railway line to connect Udaipur to Ahmadabad which was originally started by the UPA government is running at a very slow pace. According to rail authority, a total of 150 crores INR will be needed to get the earthwork completed. All five MPs from Udaipur division are from BJP and except Jhadol and Bhinder, all MLAs are from BJP. In this situation, along with this expectation strong demand is incurred by various forums that an amount of 150 million be included in the rail budget for Udaipur-Ahmedabad railroad. It is unfortunate for Mewar that Banswara is disconnected from the railway to this day. The former government had made provision for that. Not only this, the work on Dungarpur-Ratlam railway line is running in a non-existent speed. Railway administration has expressed its disappointment over this pace. If there is state government clogging the scheme, centre officials are also busy being clumsy. Because of their irresponsibility, it is only the common people who have to bear the all the sufferings. For Udaipur-Ahmedabad break-of-gauge, the then chief minister transferred the part of the state to the Ministry of Railways. Despite that, the tardiness is still a concern. Apart from this, the volition of operating trains from Udaipur going towards Ajmer, connecting cities like Bhopal, Lucknow, Patna and Jammu, is important. It must be expected that rail-related needs of Mewar district will get wings after these links are joined. Apart from railway budget, Mewar has its expectations from the general budget too. The headquarters of Lake Development Authority (LDA) be Udaipur. Udaipur must get B-2 status, passport office be re-established in Udaipur. Mewar Complex must get momentum and most importantly, air connectivity be improved. It is for us to see how the NDA government gives priority to the demands of Udaipur in the upcoming budget session.

Modi suit action - sold in 4.31 Crores

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The pin-striped navy blue suit that Modi wore for his Summit meeting with the US President Barack Obama on January 25, went to Surat-based diamond trader Lalji Patel and his son after intense bidding in the dying moments of the auction in 4.31 crores. This was the third bid made by Patel. A bid of Rs 5 crore by another diamond baron, Mukesh Patel, was not entertained since it was past the 5 pm deadline. Some of the high-



est bids were made by owners of the Diamond Aeronautics Company, which charts planes to fly within Gujarat and to Mumbai. The base price of the suit, which has 'Narendra Damodardas Modi' monogrammed as

pinstripes, was Rs 11 lakh. Businessman Ramesh Virani, who lives abroad, has claimed that he gifted the suit to Modi on his son's wedding, which coincided with Obama's visit on January 26. Laljibhai says, "On

my way to the Science Centre in the evening, I made up my mind to purchase the suit. The money does not matter. Even if it had exceeded Rs 5 crore, I would have definitely purchased it. The coat cannot be valued in money, the cause behind it of cleaning river Ganga is important. I was hoping that PM Modi would hand me the suit, but I don't mind taking it from the hands of local authorities." Laljibhai plans to keep the suit in a glass cupboard in his diamond factory to serve as an "inspiration". He said that his bid had set a "benchmark" which would motivate "a healthy competition with other states". He added, "Let us see how much people in other states bid for the remaining items on auction."

Modi's claim of being a 'chaiwala' may be a stretch

There is no record available that shows Prime Minister Narendra Modi was selling tea on railway platforms or trains in his childhood, claims social activist and congress supporter Tehseen Poonawalla on the basis of a RTI reply by the Modi government's own Railway Ministry. Mr. Tehseen Poonawalla, a leading entrepreneur and a very vocal congress supporter had filed an RTI application with the Railway Board to inquire about any record, registration number or official pass that was issued to Shri Narendra Modi allowing/entitling him to sell tea on any train/railway station. He also asked Railway Board to provide the name of the train/railway station with relevant documents where Shri Narendra Modi sold tea. The Railway Board has said in the RTI reply that no such information is available in TG III Branch of Tourism and Catering Directorate of Railway Board. Commenting on the issue Mr. Tehseen Poonawalla said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi's own Railway Ministry has denied that they have any information about Modiji selling tea on any platform or on any train. In the past, commentators like Aakar Patel have also suggested that Modi's claim of being a chaiwala may be a stretch. This document convincingly proves the same."