

END OF OVER: 20 | 7 Runs 2 Wkts | RCB: 157/8 | RR: 7.85

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| Iqbal Abdulla | 5 (7b) | CH Morris | 4-0-21-3 |
|  |  | PJ Cummins | 4-0-29-1 |
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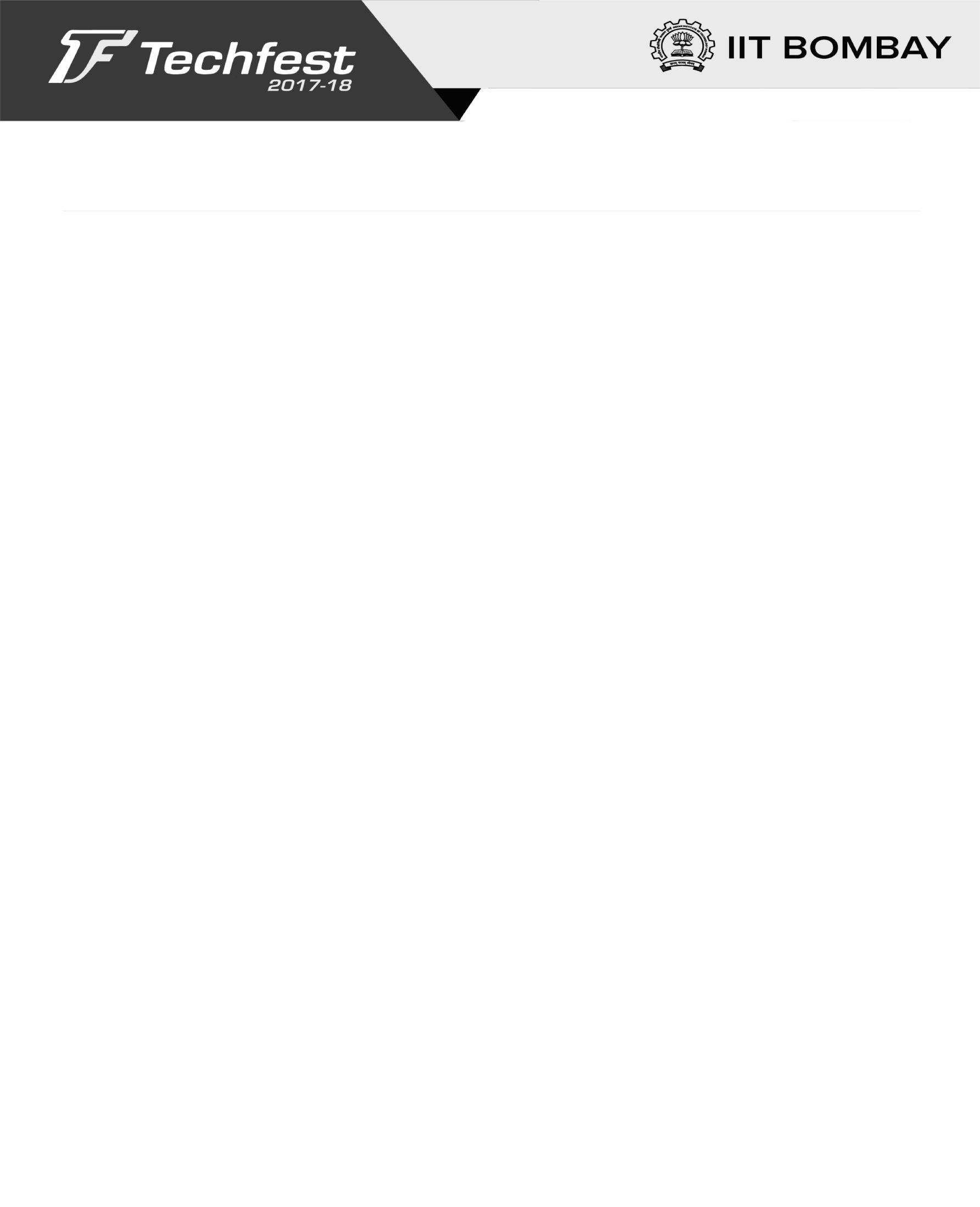
9.40pm Excellent bowling performance from the Daredevils. They gave away just 23 runs off the last four overs and claimed four wickets. Mishra had a bad day, as did Brathwaite, but Nadeem stood up with his most economical spell in the IPL: 4-0-13-1. He did not concede a boundary in his spell. Morris and Cummins were impressive with their pace and yorkers. That RCB reached 157 was down to Jadhav's blitz. Be back for Daredevils' reply.

Jadhav: In the last 5-6 months I have been in good touch and I just want to cash in. Not really, I took the absence of Kohli and AB as an opportunity. Back home when I used to play cricket, I used to play with the tennis ball. That is how I learnt my cricket.

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| 19.6 | | W | Morris to Mills, OUT, Morris smashes the stumps again. Perfect finish to the innings for the | | |  |  |
|  |  | Daredevils. Morris attempts the yorker, this ends up for a full-toss, but that's enough to clean | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | up Mills. He can't put bat on the drive. 15 runs scored in the last three overs is RCB's third- | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | lowest in the last three. Morris finishes with 17 dots in a four-over spell, only 3 | |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | bowlers have bowled more at Chinnaswamy | |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | TS Mills b Morris 0 (2m 3b 0x4 0x6) SR: 0.00 | |  |  |  |
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| 19.5 | | 0 | Morris to Mills, no run, not a perfect yorker, really full and outside off, 147ks, beats Mills' | | |  |  |
|  |  | attempt to cover drive | |  |  |  |  |
| 19.4 | | 0 | Morris to Mills, no run, Mills backs away outside the leg stump, this is hurled wide outside | | |  |  |
|  |  | off. Mills can't reach out that far | |  |  |  |  |
|  | Mills |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 19.3 | | W | Morris to Negi, OUT, The middle stump is floored. The off and leg stumps are left spread- | | |  |  |
|  |  | eagled. Rapid yorker, Negi can't carve it through the off side. Morris hits | | |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | P Negi b Morris 10 (12m 8b 0x4 1x6) SR: 125.00 | |  |  |  |
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| 19.2 | | 6 | Morris to Negi, SIX, Morris aims for the yorker, Negi steps out, takes it on the full-toss, and | | |  |  |
|  |  | dumps it over the bowler's head | |  |  |  |  |
| 19.1 | |  | Morris to Iqbal Abdulla, 1 run, leg-stump yorker, 147ks, squeezed down to fine leg | |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 19 | 6 Runs | RCB: 150/6 | RR: 7.89 | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | P Negi |  | 4 (6b) | PJ Cummins | 4-0-29-1 |  |  |
|  | Iqbal Abdulla | | 4 (6b) | CH Morris | 3-0-14-1 |  |  |
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18.6 0 Cummins to Negi, no run, wide yorker, Abdulla swishes and does not connect with it. Just 16





off the last three overs with the wickets of Jadhav and Vinod

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| 18.5 | | 2 | Cummins to Negi, 2 runs, Negi shimmies out, this is a bouncer aimed at his head. He looks | | | |  |  |
|  |  | away and top-edges a hook over square leg | | |  |  |  |  |
| 18.4 | | 1 | Cummins to Iqbal Abdulla, 1 run, banged in short, aimed at the head, top-edged pull over | | | |  |  |
|  |  | square leg | | |  |  |  |  |
| 18.3 | | 2 | Cummins to Iqbal Abdulla, 2 runs, full on the leg stump, 140ks, clipped away to deep | | |  |  |  |
|  |  | midwicket, where Nadeem and Karun collide. Nadeem slides and his shoulder rams into | | | |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Karun's knee. No harm done | |  |  |  |  |
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| 18.2 | | 0 | Cummins to Iqbal Abdulla, no run, the batsman backs away outside leg, Cummins chases him | | | |  |  |
|  |  | with a 144ks, short ball. Beats him | | |  |  |  |  |
| 18.1 | |  | Cummins to Negi, 1 run, tucked around the corner off the hips | | |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 18 | 2 Runs | RCB: 144/6 | RR: 8.00 | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Iqbal Abdulla | | 1 (3b) |  | CH Morris | 3-0-14-1 |  |  |
|  | P Negi |  | 1 (3b) |  | Z Khan | 4-0-31-2 |  |  |
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Morris had the best economy rate - 7.31 - in death overs (last 5) last IPL (min. 10 overs)

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| 17.6 | | 0 | Morris to Iqbal Abdulla, no run, short of a length, cramps Abdulla for room. Defended. Just | | |  |  |
|  |  | two off the 18th over | |  |  |  |  |
| 17.5 | | 1 | Morris to Negi, 1 run, 144ks yorker on middle and leg, an inside edge saves him. Edged onto | | |  |  |
|  |  | the pad | |  |  |  |  |
| 17.4 | |  | Morris to Negi, no run, chest-high short ball, beats the batsman for pace | |  |  |  |
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| 17.3 | |  | Morris to Negi, no run, wide yorker outside off, 142ks, Negi can't squirt it out | |  |  |  |
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| 17.2 | | 1 | Morris to Iqbal Abdulla, 1 run, just short of a good length and going away outside off, steered | | |  |  |
|  |  | down to deep third man | |  |  |  |  |
| 17.1 | |  | Morris to Iqbal Abdulla, no run, length and angling away outside off, slashes and misses | |  |  |  |
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|  | Abdulla and Negi haven't faced a ball yet | | |  |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 17 | 8 Runs 2 Wkts | RCB: 142/6 | RR: 8.35 | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | P Negi |  | 0 (0b) | Z Khan | 4-0-31-2 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | CR Brathwaite | 2-0-29-0 |  |  |
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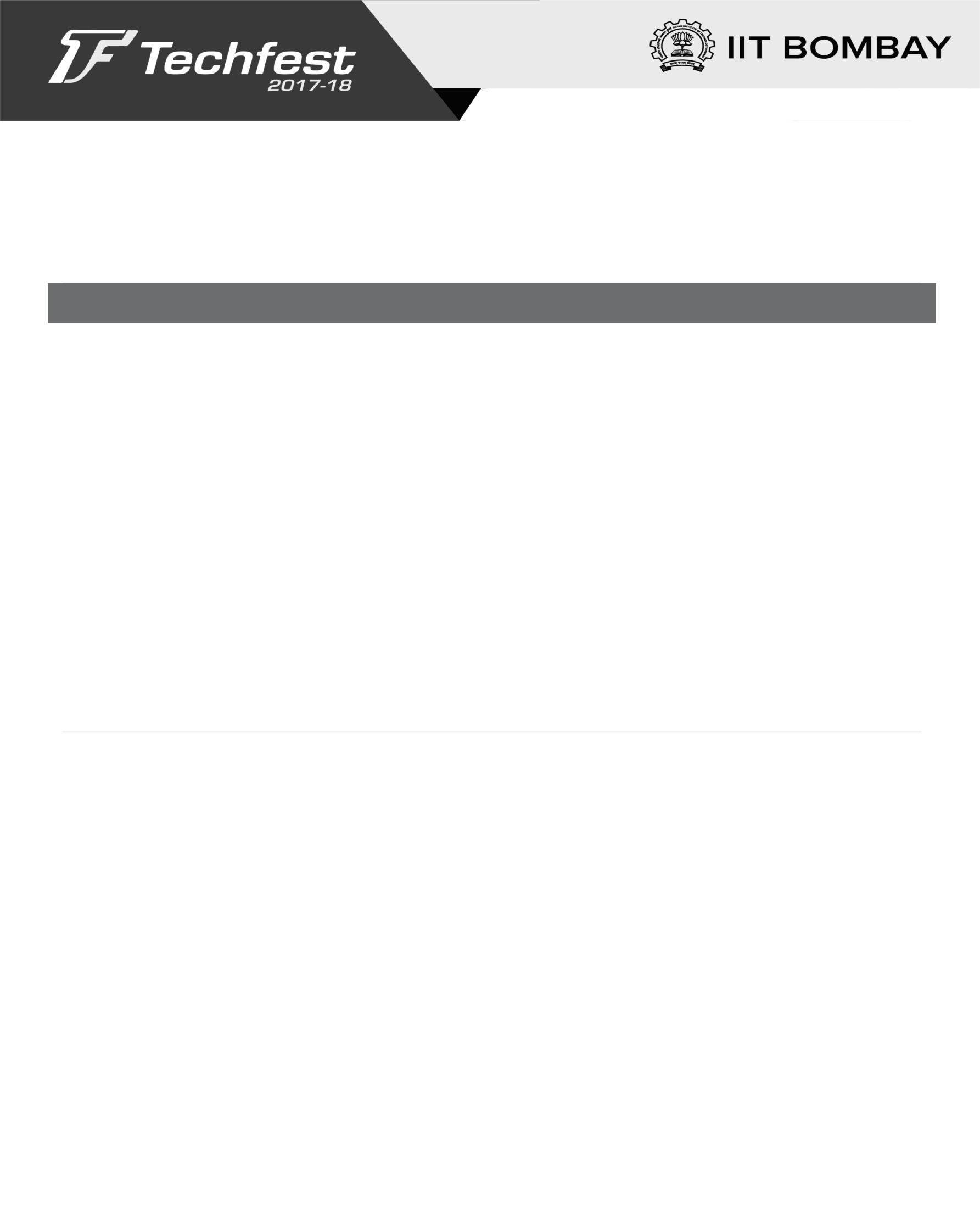


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| 16.6 | |  | W | Khan to Jadhav, OUT, Jadhav holes out to Morris at mid-off. This was full on off, slower from | | |  |
|  |  | Zaheer, Jadhav lines up for a loft but loses his shape and only toe-ends the ball in the air. | | | | |  |
|  |  |  |  | Morris, who is inside the circle, settles under this skier. Jadhav's blitz is over | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | KM Jadhav c Morris b Khan 69 (53m 37b 5x4 5x6) SR: 186.48 | |  |  |
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| 16.5 | |  | 0 | Khan to Jadhav, no run, slower, short ball, hits the ribs as Jadhav pulls early and takes the | | |  |
|  |  | blow | | |  |  |  |
| 16.4 | |  | W | Khan to Vishnu Vinod, OUT, Does not carry to Nadeem but he effects a run out at the | |  |  |
|  |  | bowler's end. Carved away to cover, falls just short of the fielder. Vinod chances a single. | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Nadeem spears a nice, flat throw to Zaheer, who breaks the stumps | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Vishnu Vinod run out 9 (8m 5b 0x4 1x6) SR: 180.00 | |  |  |
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| 16.3 | |  | 6 | Khan to Vishnu Vinod, SIX, Vinod races down the track, takes a half-volley on middle, and | | |  |
|  |  | puts it over long-on | | |  |  |  |
|  | Jadhav's highest T20 score this, going past his 63\* v SRH in 2015 | | | | |  |  |
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| 16.2 | |  | 1 | Khan to Jadhav, 1 run, full on middle and leg, shimmies out, opens the face and drives it | |  |  |
|  |  | through extra cover | | |  |  |  |
| 16.1 | |  | 1 | Khan to Vishnu Vinod, 1 run, good length offcutter outside off, opens the face and guides it to | | |  |
|  |  | point | | |  |  |  |
| END OF OVER: 16 | 13 Runs | RCB: 134/4 | RR: 8.37 | | | | |  |  |  |
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|  | KM Jadhav | |  | 68 (34b) | CR Brathwaite | 2-0-29-0 |  |
|  | Vishnu Vinod | | | 2 (2b) | Z Khan | 3-0-23-1 |  |
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AB de Villiers tweets: Few years ago a guy called @RobWalter17 told me that this @JadhavKedar guy can play.. Not that I didn't believe him, but oh my, this is good

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| 15.6 | 6 | Brathwaite to Jadhav, SIX, Brathwaite misses his length and is taken downtown. Full on off, |
|  | right in the slot, launched into the top tier beyond long-off | |
| 15.5 | 4 | Brathwaite to Jadhav, FOUR, back of a length on the top of middle stump, Jadhav, having |
|  | backed away outside leg, swats it away straight over the bowler's head | |
| 15.4 | 0 | Brathwaite to Jadhav, no run, only the third short ball to Jadhav. This is a proper bouncer |
|  | outside off, Brathwaite forces the batsman to duck under it | |
| 15.3 | 1 | Brathwaite to Vishnu Vinod, 1 run, Vinod uses his feet, Brathwaite bangs in a bouncer, aimed |
|  | at the chest, top-edged over square leg | |
| 15.2 | 1 | Brathwaite to Jadhav, 1 run, Jadhav makes room outside leg, Brathwaite chases him, opens |
|  | the face and angles it down to third man | |





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| 15.1 | 1 | Brathwaite to Vishnu Vinod, 1 run, length ball on off, opens the face and guides the ball to |
|  | cover | |

14.3 and 14.4 the only two short balls to Jadhav: a dot and a top edge. Here is Vishnu Vinod, who hit the most sixes in the Inter-state T20s

END OF OVER: 15 | 7 Runs 1 Wkt | RCB: 121/4 | RR: 8.06

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| KM Jadhav | 57 (30b) | Z Khan | 3-0-23-1 |
|  |  | CR Brathwaite | 1-0-16-0 |
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| 14.6 | W | Khan to Binny, OUT, seam-up full ball on the leg stump. Binny whips it away but does not |
|  | bother to keep the ball down. Billings takes a regulation catch at deep midwicket | |
|  |  | STR Binny c Billings b Khan 16 (30m 18b 1x4 0x6) SR: 88.88 |
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| 14.5 | 1 | Khan to Jadhav, 1 run, overpitched and outside off, Jadhav flat-bats it powerfully cover. |
|  | Stinging blow for the fielder. How hard did Jadhav hit that? | |
| 14.4 | 4 | Khan to Jadhav, FOUR, hip-high ball on the off stump, got to get it up higher, aimed a swat |
|  | and skied it over square leg | |
| 14.3 | 0 | Khan to Jadhav, no run, and Jadhav comes down the track, Zaheer notes it and sends down a |
|  | slower bouncer. There comes on. Jadhav evades it | |

Not a single bouncer to Jadhav. Not even one short of a length. Remember Jadhav likes to hit straight, grew up playing tennis-ball cricket with only straight boundaries

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| 14.3 | |  | 1w | Khan to Jadhav, 1 wide, Zaheer loses his line and length. Low full-toss outside off, past the | | |  |  |
|  |  | guideline. Left alone | | |  |  |  |  |
| 14.2 | |  | 1 | Khan to Binny, 1 run, dipping yorker on the off stump, steps across off and clips it down the | | |  |  |
|  |  | ground | | |  |  |  |  |
| 14.1 | |  | | Khan to Binny, no run, slower offcutter outside off, the batsman swings early and misses | |  |  |  |
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|  | 48 off the last three overs. | | | |  |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 14 | 16 Runs | RCB: 114/3 | RR: 8.14 | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | STR Binny | |  | 15 (15b) | CR Brathwaite | 1-0-16-0 |  |  |
|  | KM Jadhav | |  | 52 (27b) | A Mishra | 2-0-32-0 |  |  |
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| 13.6 | |  | | Brathwaite to Binny, 1 run, full-toss, angled in, driven down to long-on | |  |  |  |
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| 13.5 | |  | 1 | Brathwaite to Jadhav, 1 run, Jadhav comes down the track, Carlos digs shorter on off and | | |  |  |
|  |  | cramps him for room. Fended behind point | | | |  |  |  |
| 13.4 | |  |  | Brathwaite to Jadhav, 2 runs, short slower cutter outside off, scythed away to cover, where | | |  |  |





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|  |  | 2 | Billings makes a smart save but concedes overthrows. He reaches a 26-ball fifty. This is | | |  |
|  | not his fastest fifty in the IPL, though. He has hit one off 24 balls before | | | |  |  |
| 13.3 |  | 6 | Brathwaite to Jadhav, SIX, Jadhav ventures inside out. Oh my! What a shot. He steps back | | |  |
|  | outside leg, Carlos follows him. Jadhav still manages to loft-drive it over extra cover. Skims | | | | |  |
|  |  |  | over the boundary |  |  |  |
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| 13.2 |  | 4 | Brathwaite to Jadhav, FOUR, really full on the off stump, Jadhav goes deep in the crease and | | |  |
|  | shovel-whips it away stylishly between deep midwicket and wide long-on. Classy hit | | | |  |  |
| 13.1 |  | 1 | Brathwaite to Binny, 1 run, full and outside off, Jadhav drives a long way away from hid body | | |  |
|  | and watches an outside edge run down to third man | | | |  |  |
| 13.1 |  | 1w | Brathwaite to Binny, 1 wide, full and angling down the leg side, Binny looks to swat it over | | |  |
|  | midwicket. No dice. Leg-side wide | | |  |  |  |
| Brathwaite comes into the attack after the time-out. Over the wicket | | | | |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 13 | 24 Runs | RCB: 98/3 | RR: 7.53 | | | |  |  |  |
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| KM Jadhav | |  | 39 (23b) | A Mishra | 2-0-32-0 |  |
| STR Binny | |  | 13 (13b) | PJ Cummins | 3-0-23-1 |  |
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| PRAVEEN: "At which Speed zaheer khan is bowling?" --- Hovering around 125-130ks | | | | |  |  |
| 12.6 |  | 6 | Mishra to Jadhav, SIX, Jadhav sends another one soaring into the stands. Flighted legbreak | | |  |
|  | outside off, Jadhav dares to hit against the turn. This is disdainfully slog-swept away over | | | | |  |
|  |  |  | midwicket. 24 runs off the over, Mishra's third most expensive over in the IPL. | |  |  |
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| 12.5 |  | 2 | Mishra to Jadhav, 2 runs, short and spins away outside off, carved away wide of sweeper for a | | |  |
|  | couple | | |  |  |  |
| 12.4 |  | 4 | Mishra to Jadhav, FOUR, tossed up on middle, Jadhav lines it up and dispatches it over | |  |  |
|  | Mishra's head | | |  |  |  |
| 12.3 |  | 4 | Mishra to Jadhav, FOUR, short of a length, turns away outside off, flat-batted away to the left | | |  |
|  | of Mishra | | |  |  |  |
| 12.2 |  | 6 | Mishra to Jadhav, SIX, flighted legbreak outside off, Jadhav goes down on one knee and slog- | | |  |
|  | sweeps it fiercely down the ground. Sends the ball soaring into the stands | | | |  |  |
|  | on | | |  |  |  |
| 12.1 |  | 2 | Mishra to Jadhav, 2 runs, speared short on off, sits back and whips the ball away to wide long- | | |  |
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| END OF OVER: 12 | 8 Runs | RCB: 74/3 | RR: 6.16 | | | |  |  |  |
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| KM Jadhav | |  | 15 (17b) | PJ Cummins | 3-0-23-1 |  |
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| STR Binny | 13 (13b) | S Nadeem | 4-0-13-1 |
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| 11.6 | | 1lb | | Cummins to Jadhav, 1 leg bye, Jadhav shuffles across off, this is really full on leg or just | |  |  |  |
|  |  | outside off, Jadhav can't put bat on ball. The ball kisses the pad and sneaks away behind | | | |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | square |  |  |  |  |
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| 11.5 | |  | 1 | Cummins to Binny, 1 run, chest-high short ball on middle, 140ks, Binny is deep in the crease | | |  |  |
|  |  | as he drops the ball to point and sets off | | |  |  |  |  |
| 11.4 | |  | 1 | Cummins to Jadhav, 1 run, length ball outside off, now Jadhav stands and shovels the ball | | |  |  |
|  |  | away to long-on | | |  |  |  |  |
| 11.3 | |  | 1 | Cummins to Binny, 1 run, shorter and angled in on off, 145ks, opens the face and guides to | | |  |  |
|  |  | point. They get a single via an overthrow | | |  |  |  |  |
| 11.2 | |  | 4 | Cummins to Binny, FOUR, back of a length and angled in on off, shovelled away with the | | |  |  |
|  |  | bottom hand to the leg side. Beats Karun running and sliding to his right from long-on | | | |  |  |  |
| 11.1 | |  | 0 | Cummins to Binny, no run, length and outside off, forward and driven through the line to | | |  |  |
|  |  | mid-off | | |  |  |  |  |
|  | Cummins is back | | | |  |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 11 | 5 Runs | RCB: 66/3 | RR: 6.00 | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | STR Binny | |  | 7 (9b) | S Nadeem | 4-0-13-1 |  |  |
|  | KM Jadhav | |  | 14 (15b) | Z Khan | 2-0-16-0 |  |  |
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| 10.6 | |  | 1 | Nadeem to Binny, 1 run, slides in with the arm, no hint of flight from Nadeem, flicks off the | | |  |  |
|  |  | pads to deep square leg. Just five runs off the over. Nadeem finishes with 4-0-13-1, his most | | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | economical spell in the IPL |  |  |  |  |
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| 10.5 | |  | | Nadeem to Jadhav, 1 run, straight ball on middle, short, tucked square on the leg side | |  |  |  |
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| 10.4 | |  | 0 | Nadeem to Jadhav, no run, an appeal for stumping, the square leg umpire calls in the TV | |  |  |  |
|  |  | umpire. Has Jadhav grounded his back leg in time? Yep, he is safe. Just safe. Tossed up, turns | | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | away outside off. He eyes a slog-sweep against the turn and misses. Neat work from Pant. He | | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | has had a difficult couple of days |  |  |  |  |
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| 10.3 | |  | | Nadeem to Binny, 1 run, another straight length ball, this is clipped away to deep midwicket | | |  |  |
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| 10.2 | |  | 1 | Nadeem to Jadhav, 1 run, short and darted in on middle, cramps the batsman for room. | |  |  |  |
|  |  | Punched down the ground to long-on | | |  |  |  |  |
| 10.1 | |  | 1 | Nadeem to Binny, 1 run, Nadeem finds grip and turn. The batsman shimmies out and defends | | |  |  |
|  |  | uncertainly to cover | | |  |  |  |  |





This is just the third time Watson has been stumped in the IPL

END OF OVER: 10 | 6 Runs | RCB: 61/3 | RR: 6.10

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| STR Binny | 4 (6b) | Z Khan | 2-0-16-0 |
| KM Jadhav | 12 (12b) | S Nadeem | 3-0-8-1 |
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| 9.6 | 1 | Khan to Binny, 1 run, stands up tall to meet this short ball outside off and serenely punches |
|  | through cover | |
| 9.5 | 0 | Khan to Binny, no run, back of a length and angling away outside off, Binny carves it away |
|  | straight to point | |
| 9.4 | 1 | Khan to Jadhav, 1 run, just short of a good length and angling away outside off, punched out |
|  | to sweeper cover | |
| 9.3 | 1 | Khan to Binny, 1 run, short offcutter, bounces at the glove of the batsman. Awkwardly fended |
|  | away | |
| 9.2 | 2 | Khan to Binny, 2 runs, Binny opens the face and glides it to the left of backward point. Carlos |
|  | from the deep effects a direct hit and RCB take another one off the ricochet | |

Devine: "Well done Pant - showing that he is switched on professionally despite his personal turmoil! Very impressive from a young man!"

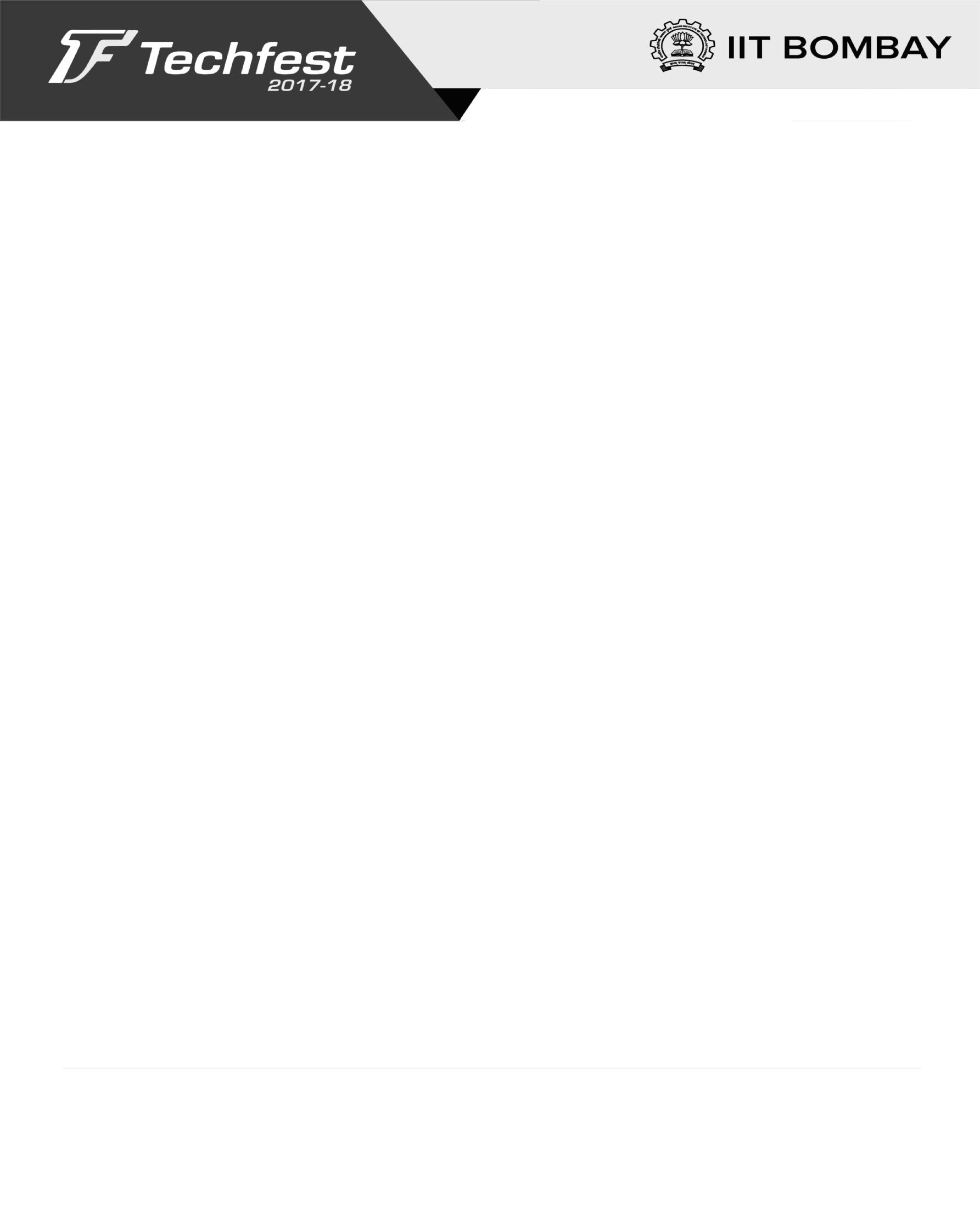
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| 9.1 |  | 1 | Khan to Jadhav, 1 run, floated outside off, half-volley, signs of rust from Zaheer. Drilled to | |  |
|  | long-off | | |  |  |
| Watson v left-arm spin for RCB: 15 runs, 33 balls, 4 dismissals in 7 innings. Zak is back. Over the stumps | | | | |  |
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| END OF OVER: 9 | 2 Runs 1 Wkt | RCB: 55/3 | RR: 6.11 | | | |  |  |
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| STR Binny | |  | 0 (2b) | S Nadeem | 3-0-8-1 |
| KM Jadhav | |  | 10 (10b) | A Mishra | 1-0-8-0 |
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| 8.6 | 0 | Nadeem to Binny, no run, shortish and fizzes on off, aims to cut from the stumps. Chops the |
|  | ball to cover | |
| 8.5 | 0 | Nadeem to Binny, no run, tossed up and drifts in on off, defended |
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| Binny at 5 | |  |
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| 8.4 | W | Nadeem to Watson, OUT, Watson steps out, Nadeem smartly shortens his length. Finds extra |

bounce and a bit of turn to defeat Watson's swish. Pant collects the ball outside off and does the rest

SR Watson st †Pant b Nadeem 24 (42m 24b 4x4 0x6) SR: 100.00





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| 8.3 | |  | | Nadeem to Jadhav, 1 run, slides on outside off, punched to long-off | |  |  |  |
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|  | Mishra - wicketless in his last 4 IPL games v RCB, economy of 9.69 | | | | |  |  |  |
| 8.2 | |  | 0 | Nadeem to Jadhav, no run, leg-stump ball, shovelled away only as far as Zaheer at short fine | | |  |  |
|  |  | leg | | |  |  |  |  |
| 8.1 | |  | | Nadeem to Watson, 1 run, dragged down outside off, flat-batted down to long-off | |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 8 | 8 Runs | RCB: 53/2 | RR: 6.62 | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | KM Jadhav | |  | 9 (8b) | A Mishra | 1-0-8-0 |  |  |
|  | SR Watson | |  | 23 (22b) | S Nadeem | 2-0-6-0 |  |  |
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| 7.6 | |  | 0 | Mishra to Jadhav, no run, hurries on outside off, flatter and quicker, Jadhav eyes up the leg | | |  |  |
|  |  | side, slogs and does not connect | | |  |  |  |  |
| 7.5 | |  | | Mishra to Jadhav, no run, full and slower through the air, jabbed back at Mishra | |  |  |  |
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| 7.4 | |  | 6 | Mishra to Jadhav, SIX, tossed-up legbreak outside off, Jadhav uses his feet, but the line was | | |  |  |
|  |  | very wide. He still reached out and lofted it superbly over cover | | | |  |  |  |
| 7.3 | |  | | Mishra to Watson, 1 run, down the track and driven down the ground | |  |  |  |
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| 7.2 | |  | 1 | Mishra to Jadhav, 1 run, dropped short and outside off, Jadhav does not connect with a pull | | |  |  |
|  |  | properly. Ends up dragging the ball to long-on | | | |  |  |  |
| 7.1 | |  | | Mishra to Jadhav, no run, length ball outside off, non-turner, punched to cover | |  |  |  |
|  | 0 |  |  |  |
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|  | Mishra. Over the wicket. The last time he played here he injured himself sliding in the outfield | | | | |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 7 | 4 Runs | RCB: 45/2 | RR: 6.42 | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | KM Jadhav | |  | 2 (3b) | S Nadeem | 2-0-6-0 |  |  |
|  | SR Watson | |  | 22 (21b) | PJ Cummins | 2-0-16-1 |  |  |
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| 6.6 | |  | 1 | Nadeem to Jadhav, 1 run, arm-ball, comes in on middle, Jadhav stays back and works it away | | |  |  |
|  |  | to the right of Nadeem | | |  |  |  |  |

Watson v left-arm spinners for RCB, before today - 11 off 23 balls, 3 dismissals in 6 innings.

Sriram: "Watch out for Vishnu Vinod. The lad was the lone bright spot in a regrettable first class season for Kerala, when he took apart everything in front of him at a strike rate of 150 everytime."

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| 6.5 |  | Nadeem to Watson, 1 run, this is really full on the stumps, driven to long-on |  |
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| 6.4 | |  | 0 | Nadeem to Watson, no run, back of a length and angled in, finds some bounce. Watson misses | | |  |
|  |  | a sweep and is hit high on the thigh pad | | |  |  |  |
| 6.3 | |  | 0 | Nadeem to Watson, no run, slides on with the arm on off, 96ks, Watson goes on the back foot | | |  |
|  |  | and punches to extra cover | | |  |  |  |
| 6.2 | |  | 1 | Nadeem to Jadhav, 1 run, tossed up and angled in on middle and leg, hangs back and milks a | | |  |
|  |  | single to midwicket | | |  |  |  |
| 6.1 | |  | 1 | Nadeem to Watson, 1 run, wide of the crease and darted in on off, Watson punches the ball | | |  |
|  |  | hard to extra cover, where the fielder takes some pace off the ball | | | |  |  |
| END OF OVER: 6 | 9 Runs 1 Wkt | RCB: 41/2 | RR: 6.83 | | | | |  |  |  |
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|  | KM Jadhav | |  | 0 (1b) | PJ Cummins | 2-0-16-1 |  |
|  | SR Watson | |  | 20 (17b) | S Nadeem | 1-0-2-0 |  |
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Time for a time-out. Underwhelming Powerplay for the hosts.

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| 5.6 | |  | 0 | Cummins to Jadhav, no run, nearly bursts through Jadhav. Pace like fire - 154ks, | |  |  |  |
|  |  | according to the speedgun. Off-stump yorker, Jadhav jabs his bat down just in time | | | |  |  |  |
|  | Jadhav joins Watson | | | |  |  |  |  |
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| 5.5 | |  | W | Cummins to Mandeep Singh, OUT, chopped on. The middle stump is knocked back. One shot | | |  |  |
|  |  | too many, Mandeep? He backs away outside leg and aims to flay it through cover. This is | | | |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | short of a length and outside off, Mandeep goes hard at the ball and drags it back onto the | | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | stumps |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Mandeep Singh b Cummins 12 (10m 10b 3x4 0x6) SR: 120.00 | |  |  |  |
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| 5.4 | |  | 0 | Cummins to Mandeep Singh, no run, slower offcutter, 122ks, Mandeep does not spot the | |  |  |  |
|  |  | change-up. He is early into a leg-side flick and is hit on the pad | | | |  |  |  |
| 5.3 | |  | 4 | Cummins to Mandeep Singh, FOUR, and again. Creamed to the left of mid-off and to the | |  |  |  |
|  |  | right of cover. Back of a length and outside off, Mandeep leans into it and banishes the ball to | | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | the boundary |  |  |  |  |
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| 5.2 | |  | 4 | Cummins to Mandeep Singh, FOUR, short of a length and outside off, Mandeep rises on top | | |  |  |
|  |  | of the bounce, and punches it crisply in the gap at cover. Quality shot | | | |  |  |  |
| 5.1 | |  | | Cummins to Watson, 1 run, short and outside off, cut down to deep third man | |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 5 | 2 Runs | RCB: 32/1 | RR: 6.40 | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Mandeep Singh | | | 4 (6b) | S Nadeem | 1-0-2-0 |  |  |
|  | SR Watson | |  | 19 (16b) | CH Morris | 2-0-12-1 |  |  |
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| 4.6 | | 0 | Nadeem to Mandeep Singh, no run, Mandeep backs away outside leg, aiming a mow over | |  |  |
|  |  | midwicket, Nadeem darts it outside leg and defeats the batsman. Mandeep lost his shape | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | there and missed it |  |  |  |
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| 4.5 | | 0 | Nadeem to Mandeep Singh, no run, Nadeem gives this some air, but finds no turn. Defended | | |  |
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| 4.4 | | 1 | Nadeem to Watson, 1 run, Watson steps out, yorks himself, and ends up squeezing the ball | | |  |
|  |  | down the ground | |  |  |  |
| 4.3 | | 0 | Nadeem to Watson, no run, flatter and angled in to ping the front pad, then the back pad, | |  |  |
|  |  | beating the inside edge. But this was always heading down leg | | |  |  |
| 4.3 | | 1w | Nadeem to Watson, 1 wide, skids down the leg side, wide | |  |  |
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| 4.2 | | 0 | Nadeem to Watson, no run, short and slides on outside off, chopped to point | |  |  |
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| 4.1 | | 0 | Nadeem to Watson, no run, short on off, defended on the back foot | |  |  |
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|  | Gayle is gone, and left-arm spin makes an appearance. Nadeem, around the wicket | | | |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 4 | 4 Runs 1 Wkt | RCB: 30/1 | RR: 7.50 | | | |  |  |  |
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|  | Mandeep Singh | | 4 (4b) | CH Morris | 2-0-12-1 |  |
|  | SR Watson | | 18 (12b) | PJ Cummins | 1-0-7-0 |  |
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| 3.6 | | 4 | Morris to Mandeep Singh, FOUR, low full-toss on the leg stump, you can't bowl there when | | |  |
|  |  | you have fine leg inside the circle. Mandeep tickles it away very fine of that fielder. Sort of | | | |  |
|  |  |  | ruins the over |  |  |  |
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| 3.5 | | 0 | Morris to Mandeep Singh, no run, back of a length and angled in, pushed to midwicket on the | | |  |
|  |  | back foot | |  |  |  |
| 3.4 | | 0 | Morris to Mandeep Singh, no run, full on middle and leg, clipped away to midwicket | |  |  |
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| 3.3 | | 0 | Morris to Mandeep Singh, no run, full and outside off, presses forward and drives to mid-off | | |  |
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|  | Mandeep at one drop | | |  |  |  |
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| 3.2 | | W | Morris to Gayle, OUT, Gayle will have to wait further for 10,000 runs in T20 cricket. Morris | | |  |

gets Gayle for the third time in six innings. Only Ashwin has dismissed Gayle more times in IPL. This was a quick full-toss outside off, just below the waist, 145ks, surprises Gayle. He only splices the ball high in the air. Samson tracks the ball from mid-off. Moves back, then to his right, gets into a side-on position, and completes a sprawling catch. Excellent reflexes from Samson

CH Gayle c Samson b Morris 6 (17m 8b 1x4 0x6) SR: 75.00



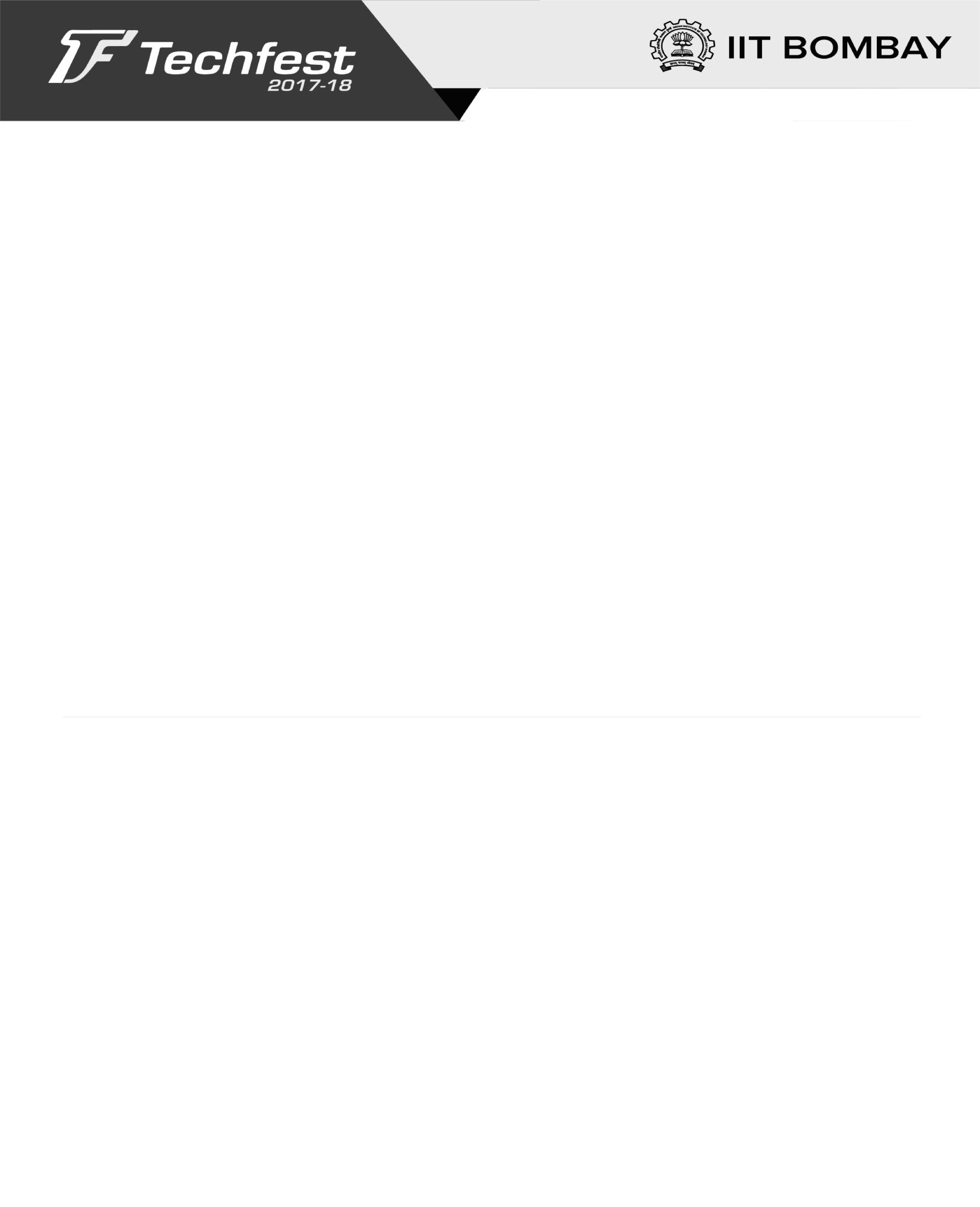


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| 3.1 | |  |  | | Morris to Gayle, no run, short rising ball on middle, opens the face and runs the ball to point | | | |  |  |
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|  | Aayush: "Who is keeping for delhi?" --- Pant | | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 3 | 7 Runs | RCB: 26/0 | RR: 8.66 | | | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | SR Watson | | |  | 18 (12b) |  | PJ Cummins | 1-0-7-0 |  |  |
|  | CH Gayle | |  |  | 6 (6b) |  | CH Morris | 1-0-8-0 |  |  |
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| 2.6 | |  |  | 4 | Cummins to Watson, FOUR, fractionally short and outside off, Watson leans back and cuts it | | | |  |  |
|  |  | sweetly past point, beats deep third man running to his right | | | | | |  |  |  |
| 2.5 | |  |  | 0 | Cummins to Watson, no run, Cummins runs in hard, hits the deck hard, hits the bat hard. | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | Short of a length on off stump, Watson is beaten for pace as the ball wanders away to | | | | |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | midwicket | |  |  |  |  |
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| 2.4 | |  |  | 1 | Cummins to Gayle, 1 run, short on off stump, hustles Gayle for pace, 147ks, Gayle drops the | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | ball to cover and secures a single, though these two batsmen aren't the quickest between the | | | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | wickets | |  |  |  |  |
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| 2.4 | |  |  | 1w | Cummins to Gayle, 1 wide, really full and Cummins strays down the leg side, the ball evades | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | Gayle's flick. Leg-side wide | | | |  |  |  |  |
| 2.3 | |  |  | 0 | Cummins to Gayle, no run, banged in short on middle, over the wicket to the left-hander too, | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | Gayle hangs back and blocks to cover | | | |  |  |  |  |
| 2.2 | |  |  | 1 | Cummins to Watson, 1 run, this is even quicker. Short and outside off, 144ks, Watson slashes | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | it to the right of Samson at third man. The ball flew to the fielder | | | | |  |  |  |
| 2.1 | |  |  | 0 | Cummins to Watson, no run, starts off with a 142ks short ball just outside off, hits the bat | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | hard. Defended back to him | | | |  |  |  |  |
|  | Cummins replaces his captain. Over the wicket with a slip | | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 2 | 9 Runs | RCB: 19/0 | RR: 9.50 | | | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | CH Gayle | |  |  | 5 (4b) |  | CH Morris | 1-0-8-0 |  |  |
|  | SR Watson | | |  | 13 (8b) |  | Z Khan | 1-0-10-0 |  |  |
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| 1.6 | |  |  | 0 | Morris to Gayle, no run, back of a length and angling away outside off, Gayle aims to biff it | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | down the ground. His feet went nowhere. Only connects with thin air | | | | |  |  |  |

Morris to Gayle - 36 off 29 in 5 inns, 2 wkts. DD have opened with the 2 best bowlers vs Gayle.. Cummins has been smashed 62 off 27 in 4 inns by Gayle.

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| 1.5 | 0 | Morris to Gayle, no run, dug in short and nipping away outside off, Gayle thinks about a hard- |
|  | handed cut before bailing out of the shot at the last moment | |





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| 1.4 | |  | 4 | Morris to Gayle, FOUR, Gayle guides this one away to the boundary. No power, just finesse. | | | |  |  |
|  |  | Overpitched and outside off, Gayle waits for the ball, opens the face, and drives it between | | | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | point and cover | |  |  |  |  |
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| 1.3 | |  | 1lb | Morris to Watson, 1 leg bye, hip-high short ball on the leg stump, Watson misses out on a | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | scoring opportunity again, grazes the pad and sneaks away behind square | | | |  |  |  |
| 1.2 | |  |  | Morris to Watson, no run, short and angled in on middle, blocked to leg | | |  |  |  |
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| 1.1 | |  | 4 | Morris to Watson, FOUR, on a length, angled in on off stump, the swings away. Watson | | |  |  |  |
|  |  | flashes at the ball and slices an outside edge to deep point, where Cummins runs around the | | | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | ball, slides, fumbles, and gifts a boundary | |  |  |  |  |
|  | Here is Morris from the other end. Over the wicket | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 1 | 10 Runs | RCB: 10/0 | RR: 10.00 | | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | SR Watson | | | 9 (5b) |  | Z Khan | 1-0-10-0 |  |  |
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|  | CH Gayle | |  | 1 (1b) | |  |  |  |  |
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| 0.6 | |  | 1 | Khan to Watson, 1 run, hip-high short ball, Watson, though, can't control a pull. He mis-hits | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | the ball to long leg | | |  |  |  |  |

Watson doesn't hit big inside the Powerplay. His strike rate in the first six overs in the IPL is 7.37, but outside the first six he goes at 9.72 an over

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| 0.5 |  | Khan to Watson, no run, Zaheer drags his length back on off, chopped out to point |  |
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| 0.4 | 4 | Khan to Watson, FOUR, full and outside off, not a half-volley, Watson leans into the drive |  |
|  | and sends the ball rolling past extra cover | |  |
| 0.3 |  | Khan to Watson, no run, back of a length on off, Watson pats the ball to cover |  |
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| 0.2 | 4 | Khan to Watson, FOUR, a tad overpitched on the pads, Watson duly flicks it away to the |  |
|  | midwicket fence | |  |
| 0.1 | 1 | Khan to Gayle, 1 run, starts off with a gentle full-toss, which wobbles in the air, Gayle simply |  |
|  | works it to the midwicket region | |  |

7.55pm Zaheer to Gayle: 41 balls, just 54 runs, dismissed him three times. Inside Powerplay, Gayle has scored just 17 off 27 balls from Zaheer. Only Ashwin has dismissed Gayle more times than Zaheer in the IPL. Watson is Gayle's partner at the top, not Mandeep. A slip and a wide-ish gully in place for Gayle to add to two points. Here is Zaheer from over the wicket. This is his first competitive game since last IPL

7.30pm RCB win the toss and choose to bat. This is only the second time a team has opted to bat first in Bangalore in the last two seasons. The last one was the [2016 IPL final](http://www.espncricinfo.com/indian-premier-league-2016/engine/current/match/981019.html).





RCB XI: CH Gayle, Mandeep Singh, SR Watson (capt.), KM Jadhav , STR Binny, Vishnu Vinod, P Negi, YS Chahal, TS Mills, Iqbal Abdulla, B Stanlake

Daredevils XI: SW Billings, AP Tare, SV Samson, KK Nair, RR Pant, CR Brathwaite, CH Morris, PJ Cummins, A Mishra, Z Khan (capt.), S Nadeem

[john: "What happened to shreyas iyer why he is not in playing XI for Delhi ????" --- Shreyas is recovering](http://www.espncricinfo.com/indian-premier-league-2017/content/story/1089942.html) [from chickenpox](http://www.espncricinfo.com/indian-premier-league-2017/content/story/1089942.html)

Sooryanarayanan: "RCB trusting the batting line-up to click. Binny at 6 doesn't speak of great depth, but if Gayle, Watson and Jadhav fire, it'll suffice for them."

Watson: We are playing in front of an incredible atmosphere. Hopefully we can get the fans going. Anything over 170 will be a good total. We have four changes. Billy Stanlake, Vishnu Vinod, Negi, and Abdulla are in. Head, Aniket, Baby, and Aravind miss out.

So, RCB are playing three spinners - two left-armers in Negi and Abdulla and a legspinner in Chahal

Zaheer: We were looking to bowl, so our plans have not changed. Good toss to lose. Our overseas players are Billings, Cummins, Morris, and Brathwaite.

And Pant is playing

Siddharth: "Really. Whats the need for Hilfeanhaus in a pace bowling attack which boasts Cummins, Rabada, Morris, Shami and Zak. DD desperately needed a batsman. "

7.20pm Royal Challengers misfired with the ball, bat, and in the field on Wednesday. To add to their worries, part-time keeper Kedhar Jadav did not look comfortable against pace or spin. Kerala keeper-batsman Vishnu Vinod, who struck 14 sixes, the most by a player in the Inter-state T20s, has been signed as KL Rahul's replacement. Daredevils, meanwhile, have [brought in](http://www.espncricinfo.com/indian-premier-league-2017/content/story/1090286.html) Hilfenhaus for JP Duminy.

And Chris Gayle needs only 31 to become the first player 10,000 runs in T20 cricket. Can the #Universeboss do it tonight?

Bengaluru city police tweet: "Over 1100 policemen have been deployed for tonite's IPL match. Trust us, no daredevils are a threat tonite."

raj: "I think RCB should definitely play Badree today , in addition to Mills , because their bowling is very weak. They might have to drop Head."

Themainman: "Tonight is going to be a run feast! Gayle vs billings..whoever gets the bigger knock will win it for his team!"

7.10pm Since 2011, Royal Challengers Bangalore have lost only once to Delhi Daredevils in ten games. Both teams, though, can't field their first-choice XI tonight. Virat Kohli hasn't yet fully recovered from a shoulder injury he sustained in the India-Australia Test series; AB de Villiers is a doubtful starter as well, having missed the season opener in Hyderabad. Daredevils, meanwhile, are missing Duminy, de Kock, amd Mathews. Risbah Pant is also in doubt for the match following the death of his father, although he rejoined the team and trained on Friday evening.

PRAVEEN: "This game could be a contest of bench strength, given the injuries in both teams."







END OF OVER: 20 | 7 Runs 2 Wkts | RCB: 157/8 | RR: 7.85

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| Iqbal Abdulla | 5 (7b) | CH Morris | 4-0-21-3 |
|  |  | PJ Cummins | 4-0-29-1 |
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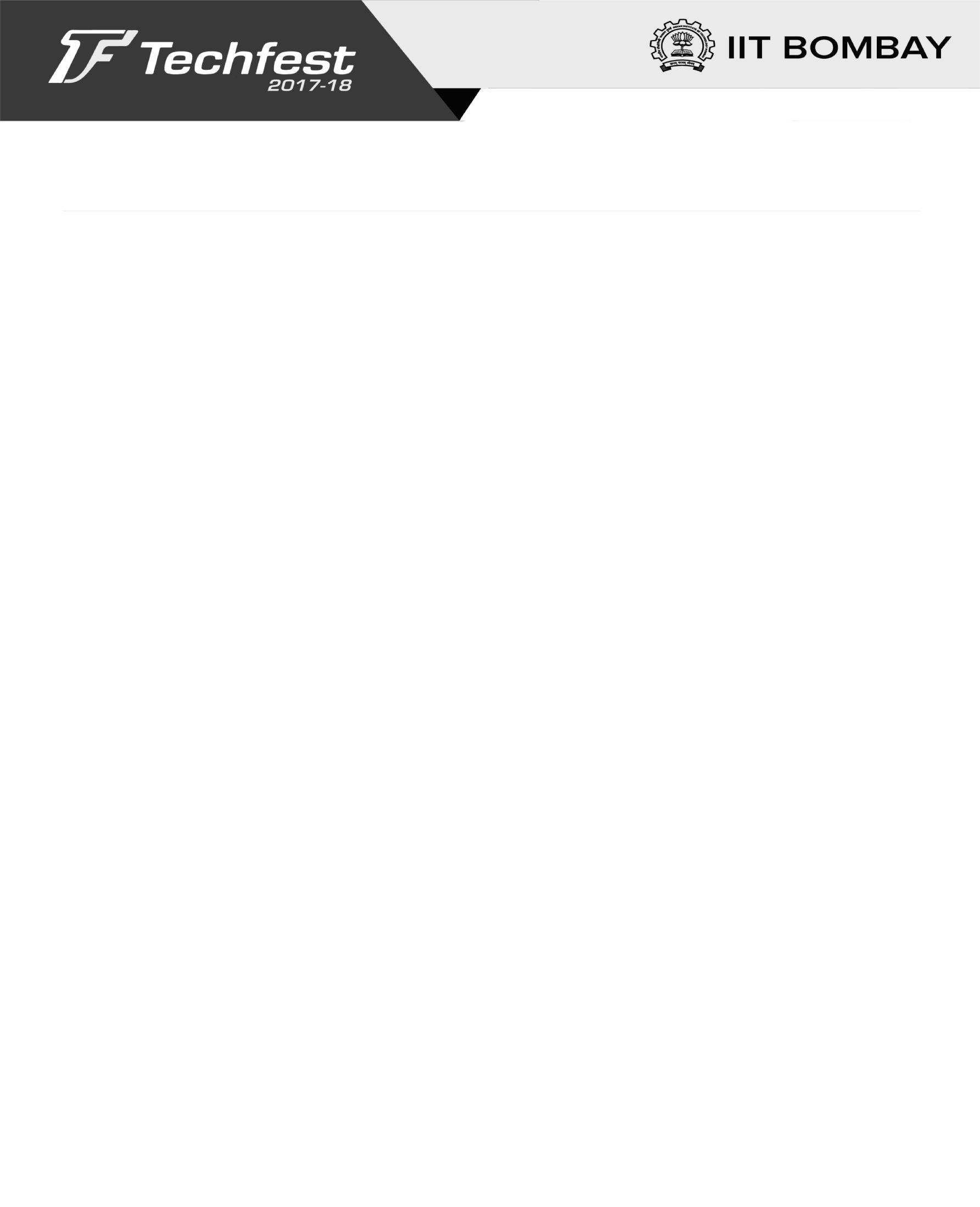
9.40pm Excellent bowling performance from the Daredevils. They gave away just 23 runs off the last four overs and claimed four wickets. Mishra had a bad day, as did Brathwaite, but Nadeem stood up with his most economical spell in the IPL: 4-0-13-1. He did not concede a boundary in his spell. Morris and Cummins were impressive with their pace and yorkers. That RCB reached 157 was down to Jadhav's blitz. Be back for Daredevils' reply.

Jadhav: In the last 5-6 months I have been in good touch and I just want to cash in. Not really, I took the absence of Kohli and AB as an opportunity. Back home when I used to play cricket, I used to play with the tennis ball. That is how I learnt my cricket.

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| 19.6 | | W | Morris to Mills, OUT, Morris smashes the stumps again. Perfect finish to the innings for the | | |  |  |
|  |  | Daredevils. Morris attempts the yorker, this ends up for a full-toss, but that's enough to clean | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | up Mills. He can't put bat on the drive. 15 runs scored in the last three overs is RCB's third- | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | lowest in the last three. Morris finishes with 17 dots in a four-over spell, only 3 | |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | bowlers have bowled more at Chinnaswamy | |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | TS Mills b Morris 0 (2m 3b 0x4 0x6) SR: 0.00 | |  |  |  |
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| 19.5 | | 0 | Morris to Mills, no run, not a perfect yorker, really full and outside off, 147ks, beats Mills' | | |  |  |
|  |  | attempt to cover drive | |  |  |  |  |
| 19.4 | | 0 | Morris to Mills, no run, Mills backs away outside the leg stump, this is hurled wide outside | | |  |  |
|  |  | off. Mills can't reach out that far | |  |  |  |  |
|  | Mills |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 19.3 | | W | Morris to Negi, OUT, The middle stump is floored. The off and leg stumps are left spread- | | |  |  |
|  |  | eagled. Rapid yorker, Negi can't carve it through the off side. Morris hits | | |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | P Negi b Morris 10 (12m 8b 0x4 1x6) SR: 125.00 | |  |  |  |
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| 19.2 | | 6 | Morris to Negi, SIX, Morris aims for the yorker, Negi steps out, takes it on the full-toss, and | | |  |  |
|  |  | dumps it over the bowler's head | |  |  |  |  |
| 19.1 | |  | Morris to Iqbal Abdulla, 1 run, leg-stump yorker, 147ks, squeezed down to fine leg | |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 19 | 6 Runs | RCB: 150/6 | RR: 7.89 | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | P Negi |  | 4 (6b) | PJ Cummins | 4-0-29-1 |  |  |
|  | Iqbal Abdulla | | 4 (6b) | CH Morris | 3-0-14-1 |  |  |
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18.6 0 Cummins to Negi, no run, wide yorker, Abdulla swishes and does not connect with it. Just 16





off the last three overs with the wickets of Jadhav and Vinod

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| 18.5 | | 2 | Cummins to Negi, 2 runs, Negi shimmies out, this is a bouncer aimed at his head. He looks | | | |  |  |
|  |  | away and top-edges a hook over square leg | | |  |  |  |  |
| 18.4 | | 1 | Cummins to Iqbal Abdulla, 1 run, banged in short, aimed at the head, top-edged pull over | | | |  |  |
|  |  | square leg | | |  |  |  |  |
| 18.3 | | 2 | Cummins to Iqbal Abdulla, 2 runs, full on the leg stump, 140ks, clipped away to deep | | |  |  |  |
|  |  | midwicket, where Nadeem and Karun collide. Nadeem slides and his shoulder rams into | | | |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Karun's knee. No harm done | |  |  |  |  |
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| 18.2 | | 0 | Cummins to Iqbal Abdulla, no run, the batsman backs away outside leg, Cummins chases him | | | |  |  |
|  |  | with a 144ks, short ball. Beats him | | |  |  |  |  |
| 18.1 | |  | Cummins to Negi, 1 run, tucked around the corner off the hips | | |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 18 | 2 Runs | RCB: 144/6 | RR: 8.00 | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Iqbal Abdulla | | 1 (3b) |  | CH Morris | 3-0-14-1 |  |  |
|  | P Negi |  | 1 (3b) |  | Z Khan | 4-0-31-2 |  |  |
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Morris had the best economy rate - 7.31 - in death overs (last 5) last IPL (min. 10 overs)

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| 17.6 | | 0 | Morris to Iqbal Abdulla, no run, short of a length, cramps Abdulla for room. Defended. Just | | |  |  |
|  |  | two off the 18th over | |  |  |  |  |
| 17.5 | | 1 | Morris to Negi, 1 run, 144ks yorker on middle and leg, an inside edge saves him. Edged onto | | |  |  |
|  |  | the pad | |  |  |  |  |
| 17.4 | |  | Morris to Negi, no run, chest-high short ball, beats the batsman for pace | |  |  |  |
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| 17.3 | |  | Morris to Negi, no run, wide yorker outside off, 142ks, Negi can't squirt it out | |  |  |  |
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| 17.2 | | 1 | Morris to Iqbal Abdulla, 1 run, just short of a good length and going away outside off, steered | | |  |  |
|  |  | down to deep third man | |  |  |  |  |
| 17.1 | |  | Morris to Iqbal Abdulla, no run, length and angling away outside off, slashes and misses | |  |  |  |
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|  | Abdulla and Negi haven't faced a ball yet | | |  |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 17 | 8 Runs 2 Wkts | RCB: 142/6 | RR: 8.35 | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | P Negi |  | 0 (0b) | Z Khan | 4-0-31-2 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | CR Brathwaite | 2-0-29-0 |  |  |
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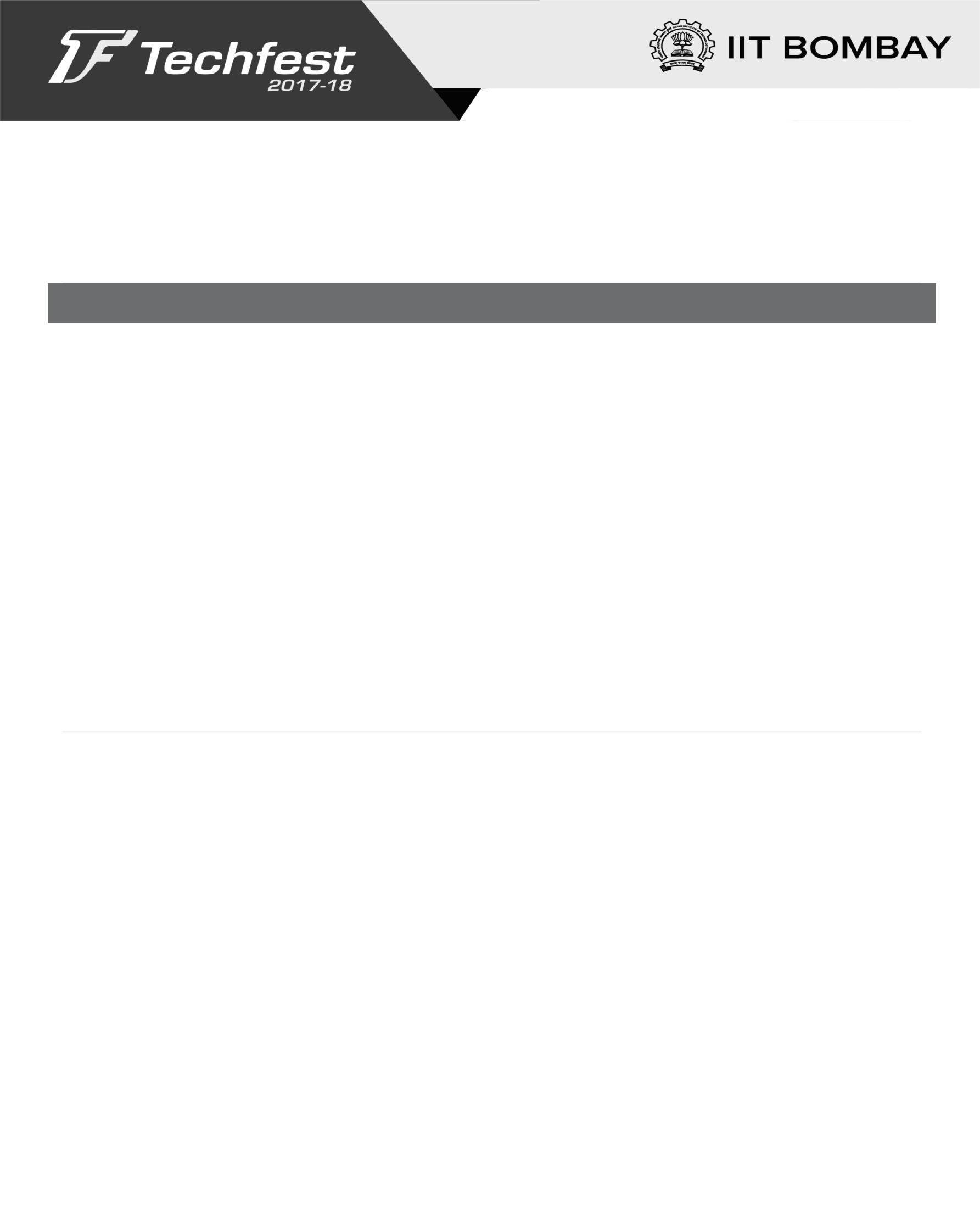


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| 16.6 | |  | W | Khan to Jadhav, OUT, Jadhav holes out to Morris at mid-off. This was full on off, slower from | | |  |
|  |  | Zaheer, Jadhav lines up for a loft but loses his shape and only toe-ends the ball in the air. | | | | |  |
|  |  |  |  | Morris, who is inside the circle, settles under this skier. Jadhav's blitz is over | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | KM Jadhav c Morris b Khan 69 (53m 37b 5x4 5x6) SR: 186.48 | |  |  |
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| 16.5 | |  | 0 | Khan to Jadhav, no run, slower, short ball, hits the ribs as Jadhav pulls early and takes the | | |  |
|  |  | blow | | |  |  |  |
| 16.4 | |  | W | Khan to Vishnu Vinod, OUT, Does not carry to Nadeem but he effects a run out at the | |  |  |
|  |  | bowler's end. Carved away to cover, falls just short of the fielder. Vinod chances a single. | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Nadeem spears a nice, flat throw to Zaheer, who breaks the stumps | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Vishnu Vinod run out 9 (8m 5b 0x4 1x6) SR: 180.00 | |  |  |
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| 16.3 | |  | 6 | Khan to Vishnu Vinod, SIX, Vinod races down the track, takes a half-volley on middle, and | | |  |
|  |  | puts it over long-on | | |  |  |  |
|  | Jadhav's highest T20 score this, going past his 63\* v SRH in 2015 | | | | |  |  |
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| 16.2 | |  | 1 | Khan to Jadhav, 1 run, full on middle and leg, shimmies out, opens the face and drives it | |  |  |
|  |  | through extra cover | | |  |  |  |
| 16.1 | |  | 1 | Khan to Vishnu Vinod, 1 run, good length offcutter outside off, opens the face and guides it to | | |  |
|  |  | point | | |  |  |  |
| END OF OVER: 16 | 13 Runs | RCB: 134/4 | RR: 8.37 | | | | |  |  |  |
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|  | KM Jadhav | |  | 68 (34b) | CR Brathwaite | 2-0-29-0 |  |
|  | Vishnu Vinod | | | 2 (2b) | Z Khan | 3-0-23-1 |  |
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AB de Villiers tweets: Few years ago a guy called @RobWalter17 told me that this @JadhavKedar guy can play.. Not that I didn't believe him, but oh my, this is good

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| 15.6 | 6 | Brathwaite to Jadhav, SIX, Brathwaite misses his length and is taken downtown. Full on off, |
|  | right in the slot, launched into the top tier beyond long-off | |
| 15.5 | 4 | Brathwaite to Jadhav, FOUR, back of a length on the top of middle stump, Jadhav, having |
|  | backed away outside leg, swats it away straight over the bowler's head | |
| 15.4 | 0 | Brathwaite to Jadhav, no run, only the third short ball to Jadhav. This is a proper bouncer |
|  | outside off, Brathwaite forces the batsman to duck under it | |
| 15.3 | 1 | Brathwaite to Vishnu Vinod, 1 run, Vinod uses his feet, Brathwaite bangs in a bouncer, aimed |
|  | at the chest, top-edged over square leg | |
| 15.2 | 1 | Brathwaite to Jadhav, 1 run, Jadhav makes room outside leg, Brathwaite chases him, opens |
|  | the face and angles it down to third man | |





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| 15.1 | 1 | Brathwaite to Vishnu Vinod, 1 run, length ball on off, opens the face and guides the ball to |
|  | cover | |

14.3 and 14.4 the only two short balls to Jadhav: a dot and a top edge. Here is Vishnu Vinod, who hit the most sixes in the Inter-state T20s

END OF OVER: 15 | 7 Runs 1 Wkt | RCB: 121/4 | RR: 8.06

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| KM Jadhav | 57 (30b) | Z Khan | 3-0-23-1 |
|  |  | CR Brathwaite | 1-0-16-0 |
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| 14.6 | W | Khan to Binny, OUT, seam-up full ball on the leg stump. Binny whips it away but does not |
|  | bother to keep the ball down. Billings takes a regulation catch at deep midwicket | |
|  |  | STR Binny c Billings b Khan 16 (30m 18b 1x4 0x6) SR: 88.88 |
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| 14.5 | 1 | Khan to Jadhav, 1 run, overpitched and outside off, Jadhav flat-bats it powerfully cover. |
|  | Stinging blow for the fielder. How hard did Jadhav hit that? | |
| 14.4 | 4 | Khan to Jadhav, FOUR, hip-high ball on the off stump, got to get it up higher, aimed a swat |
|  | and skied it over square leg | |
| 14.3 | 0 | Khan to Jadhav, no run, and Jadhav comes down the track, Zaheer notes it and sends down a |
|  | slower bouncer. There comes on. Jadhav evades it | |

Not a single bouncer to Jadhav. Not even one short of a length. Remember Jadhav likes to hit straight, grew up playing tennis-ball cricket with only straight boundaries

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| 14.3 | |  | 1w | Khan to Jadhav, 1 wide, Zaheer loses his line and length. Low full-toss outside off, past the | | |  |  |
|  |  | guideline. Left alone | | |  |  |  |  |
| 14.2 | |  | 1 | Khan to Binny, 1 run, dipping yorker on the off stump, steps across off and clips it down the | | |  |  |
|  |  | ground | | |  |  |  |  |
| 14.1 | |  | | Khan to Binny, no run, slower offcutter outside off, the batsman swings early and misses | |  |  |  |
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|  | 48 off the last three overs. | | | |  |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 14 | 16 Runs | RCB: 114/3 | RR: 8.14 | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | STR Binny | |  | 15 (15b) | CR Brathwaite | 1-0-16-0 |  |  |
|  | KM Jadhav | |  | 52 (27b) | A Mishra | 2-0-32-0 |  |  |
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| 13.6 | |  | | Brathwaite to Binny, 1 run, full-toss, angled in, driven down to long-on | |  |  |  |
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| 13.5 | |  | 1 | Brathwaite to Jadhav, 1 run, Jadhav comes down the track, Carlos digs shorter on off and | | |  |  |
|  |  | cramps him for room. Fended behind point | | | |  |  |  |
| 13.4 | |  |  | Brathwaite to Jadhav, 2 runs, short slower cutter outside off, scythed away to cover, where | | |  |  |





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|  |  | 2 | Billings makes a smart save but concedes overthrows. He reaches a 26-ball fifty. This is | | |  |
|  | not his fastest fifty in the IPL, though. He has hit one off 24 balls before | | | |  |  |
| 13.3 |  | 6 | Brathwaite to Jadhav, SIX, Jadhav ventures inside out. Oh my! What a shot. He steps back | | |  |
|  | outside leg, Carlos follows him. Jadhav still manages to loft-drive it over extra cover. Skims | | | | |  |
|  |  |  | over the boundary |  |  |  |
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| 13.2 |  | 4 | Brathwaite to Jadhav, FOUR, really full on the off stump, Jadhav goes deep in the crease and | | |  |
|  | shovel-whips it away stylishly between deep midwicket and wide long-on. Classy hit | | | |  |  |
| 13.1 |  | 1 | Brathwaite to Binny, 1 run, full and outside off, Jadhav drives a long way away from hid body | | |  |
|  | and watches an outside edge run down to third man | | | |  |  |
| 13.1 |  | 1w | Brathwaite to Binny, 1 wide, full and angling down the leg side, Binny looks to swat it over | | |  |
|  | midwicket. No dice. Leg-side wide | | |  |  |  |
| Brathwaite comes into the attack after the time-out. Over the wicket | | | | |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 13 | 24 Runs | RCB: 98/3 | RR: 7.53 | | | |  |  |  |
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| KM Jadhav | |  | 39 (23b) | A Mishra | 2-0-32-0 |  |
| STR Binny | |  | 13 (13b) | PJ Cummins | 3-0-23-1 |  |
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| PRAVEEN: "At which Speed zaheer khan is bowling?" --- Hovering around 125-130ks | | | | |  |  |
| 12.6 |  | 6 | Mishra to Jadhav, SIX, Jadhav sends another one soaring into the stands. Flighted legbreak | | |  |
|  | outside off, Jadhav dares to hit against the turn. This is disdainfully slog-swept away over | | | | |  |
|  |  |  | midwicket. 24 runs off the over, Mishra's third most expensive over in the IPL. | |  |  |
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| 12.5 |  | 2 | Mishra to Jadhav, 2 runs, short and spins away outside off, carved away wide of sweeper for a | | |  |
|  | couple | | |  |  |  |
| 12.4 |  | 4 | Mishra to Jadhav, FOUR, tossed up on middle, Jadhav lines it up and dispatches it over | |  |  |
|  | Mishra's head | | |  |  |  |
| 12.3 |  | 4 | Mishra to Jadhav, FOUR, short of a length, turns away outside off, flat-batted away to the left | | |  |
|  | of Mishra | | |  |  |  |
| 12.2 |  | 6 | Mishra to Jadhav, SIX, flighted legbreak outside off, Jadhav goes down on one knee and slog- | | |  |
|  | sweeps it fiercely down the ground. Sends the ball soaring into the stands | | | |  |  |
|  | on | | |  |  |  |
| 12.1 |  | 2 | Mishra to Jadhav, 2 runs, speared short on off, sits back and whips the ball away to wide long- | | |  |
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| END OF OVER: 12 | 8 Runs | RCB: 74/3 | RR: 6.16 | | | |  |  |  |
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| KM Jadhav | |  | 15 (17b) | PJ Cummins | 3-0-23-1 |  |
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| STR Binny | 13 (13b) | S Nadeem | 4-0-13-1 |
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| 11.6 | | 1lb | | Cummins to Jadhav, 1 leg bye, Jadhav shuffles across off, this is really full on leg or just | |  |  |  |
|  |  | outside off, Jadhav can't put bat on ball. The ball kisses the pad and sneaks away behind | | | |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | square |  |  |  |  |
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| 11.5 | |  | 1 | Cummins to Binny, 1 run, chest-high short ball on middle, 140ks, Binny is deep in the crease | | |  |  |
|  |  | as he drops the ball to point and sets off | | |  |  |  |  |
| 11.4 | |  | 1 | Cummins to Jadhav, 1 run, length ball outside off, now Jadhav stands and shovels the ball | | |  |  |
|  |  | away to long-on | | |  |  |  |  |
| 11.3 | |  | 1 | Cummins to Binny, 1 run, shorter and angled in on off, 145ks, opens the face and guides to | | |  |  |
|  |  | point. They get a single via an overthrow | | |  |  |  |  |
| 11.2 | |  | 4 | Cummins to Binny, FOUR, back of a length and angled in on off, shovelled away with the | | |  |  |
|  |  | bottom hand to the leg side. Beats Karun running and sliding to his right from long-on | | | |  |  |  |
| 11.1 | |  | 0 | Cummins to Binny, no run, length and outside off, forward and driven through the line to | | |  |  |
|  |  | mid-off | | |  |  |  |  |
|  | Cummins is back | | | |  |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 11 | 5 Runs | RCB: 66/3 | RR: 6.00 | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | STR Binny | |  | 7 (9b) | S Nadeem | 4-0-13-1 |  |  |
|  | KM Jadhav | |  | 14 (15b) | Z Khan | 2-0-16-0 |  |  |
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| 10.6 | |  | 1 | Nadeem to Binny, 1 run, slides in with the arm, no hint of flight from Nadeem, flicks off the | | |  |  |
|  |  | pads to deep square leg. Just five runs off the over. Nadeem finishes with 4-0-13-1, his most | | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | economical spell in the IPL |  |  |  |  |
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| 10.5 | |  | | Nadeem to Jadhav, 1 run, straight ball on middle, short, tucked square on the leg side | |  |  |  |
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| 10.4 | |  | 0 | Nadeem to Jadhav, no run, an appeal for stumping, the square leg umpire calls in the TV | |  |  |  |
|  |  | umpire. Has Jadhav grounded his back leg in time? Yep, he is safe. Just safe. Tossed up, turns | | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | away outside off. He eyes a slog-sweep against the turn and misses. Neat work from Pant. He | | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | has had a difficult couple of days |  |  |  |  |
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| 10.3 | |  | | Nadeem to Binny, 1 run, another straight length ball, this is clipped away to deep midwicket | | |  |  |
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| 10.2 | |  | 1 | Nadeem to Jadhav, 1 run, short and darted in on middle, cramps the batsman for room. | |  |  |  |
|  |  | Punched down the ground to long-on | | |  |  |  |  |
| 10.1 | |  | 1 | Nadeem to Binny, 1 run, Nadeem finds grip and turn. The batsman shimmies out and defends | | |  |  |
|  |  | uncertainly to cover | | |  |  |  |  |





This is just the third time Watson has been stumped in the IPL

END OF OVER: 10 | 6 Runs | RCB: 61/3 | RR: 6.10

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| STR Binny | 4 (6b) | Z Khan | 2-0-16-0 |
| KM Jadhav | 12 (12b) | S Nadeem | 3-0-8-1 |
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| 9.6 | 1 | Khan to Binny, 1 run, stands up tall to meet this short ball outside off and serenely punches |
|  | through cover | |
| 9.5 | 0 | Khan to Binny, no run, back of a length and angling away outside off, Binny carves it away |
|  | straight to point | |
| 9.4 | 1 | Khan to Jadhav, 1 run, just short of a good length and angling away outside off, punched out |
|  | to sweeper cover | |
| 9.3 | 1 | Khan to Binny, 1 run, short offcutter, bounces at the glove of the batsman. Awkwardly fended |
|  | away | |
| 9.2 | 2 | Khan to Binny, 2 runs, Binny opens the face and glides it to the left of backward point. Carlos |
|  | from the deep effects a direct hit and RCB take another one off the ricochet | |

Devine: "Well done Pant - showing that he is switched on professionally despite his personal turmoil! Very impressive from a young man!"

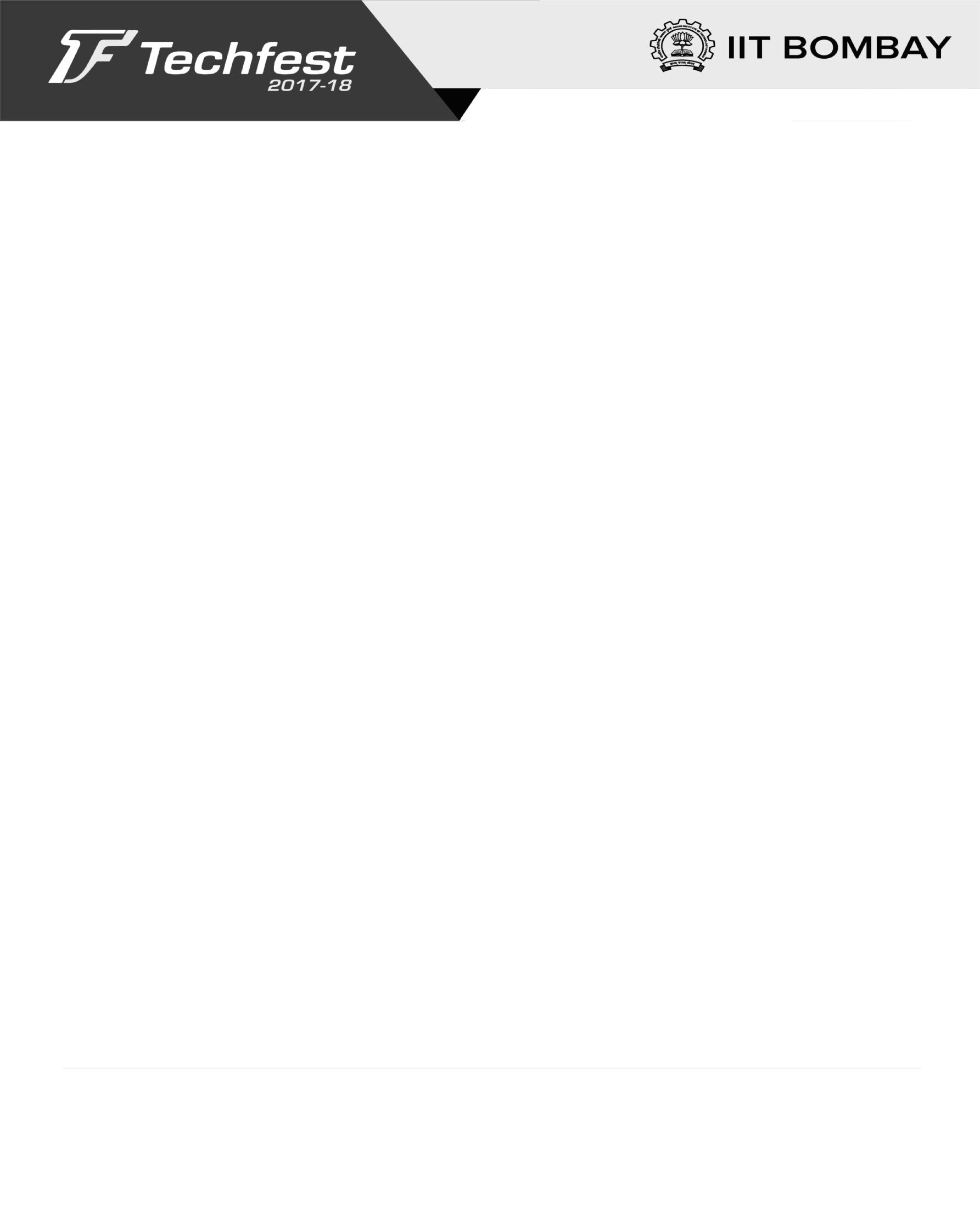
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| 9.1 |  | 1 | Khan to Jadhav, 1 run, floated outside off, half-volley, signs of rust from Zaheer. Drilled to | |  |
|  | long-off | | |  |  |
| Watson v left-arm spin for RCB: 15 runs, 33 balls, 4 dismissals in 7 innings. Zak is back. Over the stumps | | | | |  |
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| END OF OVER: 9 | 2 Runs 1 Wkt | RCB: 55/3 | RR: 6.11 | | | |  |  |
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| STR Binny | |  | 0 (2b) | S Nadeem | 3-0-8-1 |
| KM Jadhav | |  | 10 (10b) | A Mishra | 1-0-8-0 |
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| 8.6 | 0 | Nadeem to Binny, no run, shortish and fizzes on off, aims to cut from the stumps. Chops the |
|  | ball to cover | |
| 8.5 | 0 | Nadeem to Binny, no run, tossed up and drifts in on off, defended |
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| Binny at 5 | |  |
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| 8.4 | W | Nadeem to Watson, OUT, Watson steps out, Nadeem smartly shortens his length. Finds extra |

bounce and a bit of turn to defeat Watson's swish. Pant collects the ball outside off and does the rest

SR Watson st †Pant b Nadeem 24 (42m 24b 4x4 0x6) SR: 100.00





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| 8.3 | |  | | Nadeem to Jadhav, 1 run, slides on outside off, punched to long-off | |  |  |  |
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|  | Mishra - wicketless in his last 4 IPL games v RCB, economy of 9.69 | | | | |  |  |  |
| 8.2 | |  | 0 | Nadeem to Jadhav, no run, leg-stump ball, shovelled away only as far as Zaheer at short fine | | |  |  |
|  |  | leg | | |  |  |  |  |
| 8.1 | |  | | Nadeem to Watson, 1 run, dragged down outside off, flat-batted down to long-off | |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 8 | 8 Runs | RCB: 53/2 | RR: 6.62 | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | KM Jadhav | |  | 9 (8b) | A Mishra | 1-0-8-0 |  |  |
|  | SR Watson | |  | 23 (22b) | S Nadeem | 2-0-6-0 |  |  |
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| 7.6 | |  | 0 | Mishra to Jadhav, no run, hurries on outside off, flatter and quicker, Jadhav eyes up the leg | | |  |  |
|  |  | side, slogs and does not connect | | |  |  |  |  |
| 7.5 | |  | | Mishra to Jadhav, no run, full and slower through the air, jabbed back at Mishra | |  |  |  |
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| 7.4 | |  | 6 | Mishra to Jadhav, SIX, tossed-up legbreak outside off, Jadhav uses his feet, but the line was | | |  |  |
|  |  | very wide. He still reached out and lofted it superbly over cover | | | |  |  |  |
| 7.3 | |  | | Mishra to Watson, 1 run, down the track and driven down the ground | |  |  |  |
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| 7.2 | |  | 1 | Mishra to Jadhav, 1 run, dropped short and outside off, Jadhav does not connect with a pull | | |  |  |
|  |  | properly. Ends up dragging the ball to long-on | | | |  |  |  |
| 7.1 | |  | | Mishra to Jadhav, no run, length ball outside off, non-turner, punched to cover | |  |  |  |
|  | 0 |  |  |  |
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|  | Mishra. Over the wicket. The last time he played here he injured himself sliding in the outfield | | | | |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 7 | 4 Runs | RCB: 45/2 | RR: 6.42 | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | KM Jadhav | |  | 2 (3b) | S Nadeem | 2-0-6-0 |  |  |
|  | SR Watson | |  | 22 (21b) | PJ Cummins | 2-0-16-1 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | |  |  |
| 6.6 | |  | 1 | Nadeem to Jadhav, 1 run, arm-ball, comes in on middle, Jadhav stays back and works it away | | |  |  |
|  |  | to the right of Nadeem | | |  |  |  |  |

Watson v left-arm spinners for RCB, before today - 11 off 23 balls, 3 dismissals in 6 innings.

Sriram: "Watch out for Vishnu Vinod. The lad was the lone bright spot in a regrettable first class season for Kerala, when he took apart everything in front of him at a strike rate of 150 everytime."

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| 6.5 |  | Nadeem to Watson, 1 run, this is really full on the stumps, driven to long-on |  |
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| 6.4 | |  | 0 | Nadeem to Watson, no run, back of a length and angled in, finds some bounce. Watson misses | | |  |
|  |  | a sweep and is hit high on the thigh pad | | |  |  |  |
| 6.3 | |  | 0 | Nadeem to Watson, no run, slides on with the arm on off, 96ks, Watson goes on the back foot | | |  |
|  |  | and punches to extra cover | | |  |  |  |
| 6.2 | |  | 1 | Nadeem to Jadhav, 1 run, tossed up and angled in on middle and leg, hangs back and milks a | | |  |
|  |  | single to midwicket | | |  |  |  |
| 6.1 | |  | 1 | Nadeem to Watson, 1 run, wide of the crease and darted in on off, Watson punches the ball | | |  |
|  |  | hard to extra cover, where the fielder takes some pace off the ball | | | |  |  |
| END OF OVER: 6 | 9 Runs 1 Wkt | RCB: 41/2 | RR: 6.83 | | | | |  |  |  |
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|  | KM Jadhav | |  | 0 (1b) | PJ Cummins | 2-0-16-1 |  |
|  | SR Watson | |  | 20 (17b) | S Nadeem | 1-0-2-0 |  |
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Time for a time-out. Underwhelming Powerplay for the hosts.

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| 5.6 | |  | 0 | Cummins to Jadhav, no run, nearly bursts through Jadhav. Pace like fire - 154ks, | |  |  |  |
|  |  | according to the speedgun. Off-stump yorker, Jadhav jabs his bat down just in time | | | |  |  |  |
|  | Jadhav joins Watson | | | |  |  |  |  |
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| 5.5 | |  | W | Cummins to Mandeep Singh, OUT, chopped on. The middle stump is knocked back. One shot | | |  |  |
|  |  | too many, Mandeep? He backs away outside leg and aims to flay it through cover. This is | | | |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | short of a length and outside off, Mandeep goes hard at the ball and drags it back onto the | | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | stumps |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Mandeep Singh b Cummins 12 (10m 10b 3x4 0x6) SR: 120.00 | |  |  |  |
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| 5.4 | |  | 0 | Cummins to Mandeep Singh, no run, slower offcutter, 122ks, Mandeep does not spot the | |  |  |  |
|  |  | change-up. He is early into a leg-side flick and is hit on the pad | | | |  |  |  |
| 5.3 | |  | 4 | Cummins to Mandeep Singh, FOUR, and again. Creamed to the left of mid-off and to the | |  |  |  |
|  |  | right of cover. Back of a length and outside off, Mandeep leans into it and banishes the ball to | | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | the boundary |  |  |  |  |
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| 5.2 | |  | 4 | Cummins to Mandeep Singh, FOUR, short of a length and outside off, Mandeep rises on top | | |  |  |
|  |  | of the bounce, and punches it crisply in the gap at cover. Quality shot | | | |  |  |  |
| 5.1 | |  | | Cummins to Watson, 1 run, short and outside off, cut down to deep third man | |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 5 | 2 Runs | RCB: 32/1 | RR: 6.40 | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Mandeep Singh | | | 4 (6b) | S Nadeem | 1-0-2-0 |  |  |
|  | SR Watson | |  | 19 (16b) | CH Morris | 2-0-12-1 |  |  |
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| 4.6 | | 0 | Nadeem to Mandeep Singh, no run, Mandeep backs away outside leg, aiming a mow over | |  |  |
|  |  | midwicket, Nadeem darts it outside leg and defeats the batsman. Mandeep lost his shape | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | there and missed it |  |  |  |
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| 4.5 | | 0 | Nadeem to Mandeep Singh, no run, Nadeem gives this some air, but finds no turn. Defended | | |  |
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| 4.4 | | 1 | Nadeem to Watson, 1 run, Watson steps out, yorks himself, and ends up squeezing the ball | | |  |
|  |  | down the ground | |  |  |  |
| 4.3 | | 0 | Nadeem to Watson, no run, flatter and angled in to ping the front pad, then the back pad, | |  |  |
|  |  | beating the inside edge. But this was always heading down leg | | |  |  |
| 4.3 | | 1w | Nadeem to Watson, 1 wide, skids down the leg side, wide | |  |  |
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| 4.2 | | 0 | Nadeem to Watson, no run, short and slides on outside off, chopped to point | |  |  |
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| 4.1 | | 0 | Nadeem to Watson, no run, short on off, defended on the back foot | |  |  |
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|  | Gayle is gone, and left-arm spin makes an appearance. Nadeem, around the wicket | | | |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 4 | 4 Runs 1 Wkt | RCB: 30/1 | RR: 7.50 | | | |  |  |  |
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|  | Mandeep Singh | | 4 (4b) | CH Morris | 2-0-12-1 |  |
|  | SR Watson | | 18 (12b) | PJ Cummins | 1-0-7-0 |  |
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| 3.6 | | 4 | Morris to Mandeep Singh, FOUR, low full-toss on the leg stump, you can't bowl there when | | |  |
|  |  | you have fine leg inside the circle. Mandeep tickles it away very fine of that fielder. Sort of | | | |  |
|  |  |  | ruins the over |  |  |  |
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| 3.5 | | 0 | Morris to Mandeep Singh, no run, back of a length and angled in, pushed to midwicket on the | | |  |
|  |  | back foot | |  |  |  |
| 3.4 | | 0 | Morris to Mandeep Singh, no run, full on middle and leg, clipped away to midwicket | |  |  |
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| 3.3 | | 0 | Morris to Mandeep Singh, no run, full and outside off, presses forward and drives to mid-off | | |  |
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|  | Mandeep at one drop | | |  |  |  |
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| 3.2 | | W | Morris to Gayle, OUT, Gayle will have to wait further for 10,000 runs in T20 cricket. Morris | | |  |

gets Gayle for the third time in six innings. Only Ashwin has dismissed Gayle more times in IPL. This was a quick full-toss outside off, just below the waist, 145ks, surprises Gayle. He only splices the ball high in the air. Samson tracks the ball from mid-off. Moves back, then to his right, gets into a side-on position, and completes a sprawling catch. Excellent reflexes from Samson

CH Gayle c Samson b Morris 6 (17m 8b 1x4 0x6) SR: 75.00



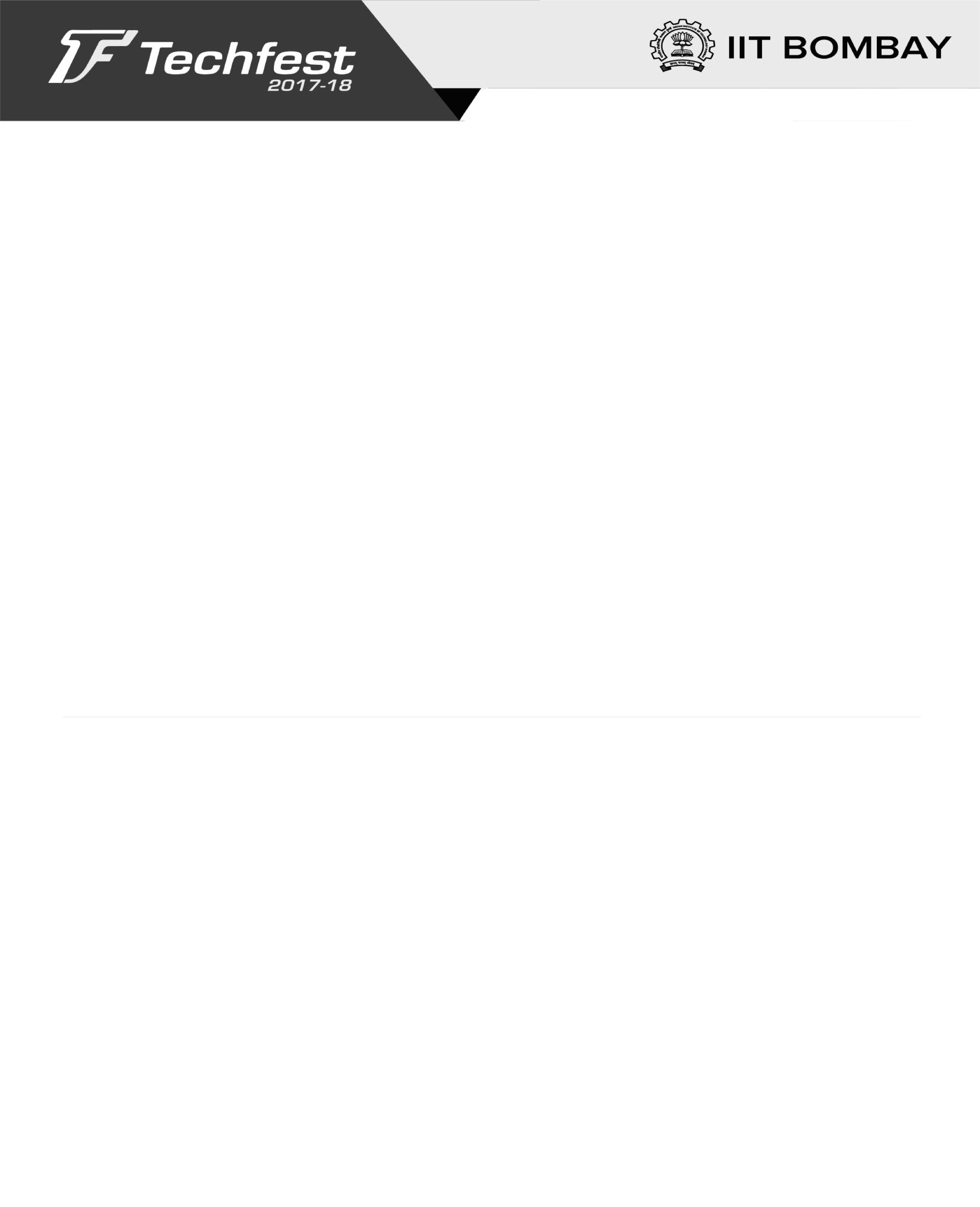


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| 3.1 | |  |  | | Morris to Gayle, no run, short rising ball on middle, opens the face and runs the ball to point | | | |  |  |
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|  | Aayush: "Who is keeping for delhi?" --- Pant | | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 3 | 7 Runs | RCB: 26/0 | RR: 8.66 | | | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | SR Watson | | |  | 18 (12b) |  | PJ Cummins | 1-0-7-0 |  |  |
|  | CH Gayle | |  |  | 6 (6b) |  | CH Morris | 1-0-8-0 |  |  |
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| 2.6 | |  |  | 4 | Cummins to Watson, FOUR, fractionally short and outside off, Watson leans back and cuts it | | | |  |  |
|  |  | sweetly past point, beats deep third man running to his right | | | | | |  |  |  |
| 2.5 | |  |  | 0 | Cummins to Watson, no run, Cummins runs in hard, hits the deck hard, hits the bat hard. | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | Short of a length on off stump, Watson is beaten for pace as the ball wanders away to | | | | |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | midwicket | |  |  |  |  |
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| 2.4 | |  |  | 1 | Cummins to Gayle, 1 run, short on off stump, hustles Gayle for pace, 147ks, Gayle drops the | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | ball to cover and secures a single, though these two batsmen aren't the quickest between the | | | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | wickets | |  |  |  |  |
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| 2.4 | |  |  | 1w | Cummins to Gayle, 1 wide, really full and Cummins strays down the leg side, the ball evades | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | Gayle's flick. Leg-side wide | | | |  |  |  |  |
| 2.3 | |  |  | 0 | Cummins to Gayle, no run, banged in short on middle, over the wicket to the left-hander too, | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | Gayle hangs back and blocks to cover | | | |  |  |  |  |
| 2.2 | |  |  | 1 | Cummins to Watson, 1 run, this is even quicker. Short and outside off, 144ks, Watson slashes | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | it to the right of Samson at third man. The ball flew to the fielder | | | | |  |  |  |
| 2.1 | |  |  | 0 | Cummins to Watson, no run, starts off with a 142ks short ball just outside off, hits the bat | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | hard. Defended back to him | | | |  |  |  |  |
|  | Cummins replaces his captain. Over the wicket with a slip | | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 2 | 9 Runs | RCB: 19/0 | RR: 9.50 | | | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | CH Gayle | |  |  | 5 (4b) |  | CH Morris | 1-0-8-0 |  |  |
|  | SR Watson | | |  | 13 (8b) |  | Z Khan | 1-0-10-0 |  |  |
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| 1.6 | |  |  | 0 | Morris to Gayle, no run, back of a length and angling away outside off, Gayle aims to biff it | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | down the ground. His feet went nowhere. Only connects with thin air | | | | |  |  |  |

Morris to Gayle - 36 off 29 in 5 inns, 2 wkts. DD have opened with the 2 best bowlers vs Gayle.. Cummins has been smashed 62 off 27 in 4 inns by Gayle.

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| 1.5 | 0 | Morris to Gayle, no run, dug in short and nipping away outside off, Gayle thinks about a hard- |
|  | handed cut before bailing out of the shot at the last moment | |





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| 1.4 | |  | 4 | Morris to Gayle, FOUR, Gayle guides this one away to the boundary. No power, just finesse. | | | |  |  |
|  |  | Overpitched and outside off, Gayle waits for the ball, opens the face, and drives it between | | | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | point and cover | |  |  |  |  |
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| 1.3 | |  | 1lb | Morris to Watson, 1 leg bye, hip-high short ball on the leg stump, Watson misses out on a | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | scoring opportunity again, grazes the pad and sneaks away behind square | | | |  |  |  |
| 1.2 | |  |  | Morris to Watson, no run, short and angled in on middle, blocked to leg | | |  |  |  |
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| 1.1 | |  | 4 | Morris to Watson, FOUR, on a length, angled in on off stump, the swings away. Watson | | |  |  |  |
|  |  | flashes at the ball and slices an outside edge to deep point, where Cummins runs around the | | | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | ball, slides, fumbles, and gifts a boundary | |  |  |  |  |
|  | Here is Morris from the other end. Over the wicket | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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| END OF OVER: 1 | 10 Runs | RCB: 10/0 | RR: 10.00 | | | | | |  |  |  |  |
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|  | SR Watson | | | 9 (5b) |  | Z Khan | 1-0-10-0 |  |  |
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|  | CH Gayle | |  | 1 (1b) | |  |  |  |  |
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| 0.6 | |  | 1 | Khan to Watson, 1 run, hip-high short ball, Watson, though, can't control a pull. He mis-hits | | | |  |  |
|  |  |  | the ball to long leg | | |  |  |  |  |

Watson doesn't hit big inside the Powerplay. His strike rate in the first six overs in the IPL is 7.37, but outside the first six he goes at 9.72 an over

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| 0.5 |  | Khan to Watson, no run, Zaheer drags his length back on off, chopped out to point |  |
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| 0.4 | 4 | Khan to Watson, FOUR, full and outside off, not a half-volley, Watson leans into the drive |  |
|  | and sends the ball rolling past extra cover | |  |
| 0.3 |  | Khan to Watson, no run, back of a length on off, Watson pats the ball to cover |  |
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| 0.2 | 4 | Khan to Watson, FOUR, a tad overpitched on the pads, Watson duly flicks it away to the |  |
|  | midwicket fence | |  |
| 0.1 | 1 | Khan to Gayle, 1 run, starts off with a gentle full-toss, which wobbles in the air, Gayle simply |  |
|  | works it to the midwicket region | |  |

7.55pm Zaheer to Gayle: 41 balls, just 54 runs, dismissed him three times. Inside Powerplay, Gayle has scored just 17 off 27 balls from Zaheer. Only Ashwin has dismissed Gayle more times than Zaheer in the IPL. Watson is Gayle's partner at the top, not Mandeep. A slip and a wide-ish gully in place for Gayle to add to two points. Here is Zaheer from over the wicket. This is his first competitive game since last IPL

7.30pm RCB win the toss and choose to bat. This is only the second time a team has opted to bat first in Bangalore in the last two seasons. The last one was the [2016 IPL final](http://www.espncricinfo.com/indian-premier-league-2016/engine/current/match/981019.html).





RCB XI: CH Gayle, Mandeep Singh, SR Watson (capt.), KM Jadhav , STR Binny, Vishnu Vinod, P Negi, YS Chahal, TS Mills, Iqbal Abdulla, B Stanlake

Daredevils XI: SW Billings, AP Tare, SV Samson, KK Nair, RR Pant, CR Brathwaite, CH Morris, PJ Cummins, A Mishra, Z Khan (capt.), S Nadeem

[john: "What happened to shreyas iyer why he is not in playing XI for Delhi ????" --- Shreyas is recovering](http://www.espncricinfo.com/indian-premier-league-2017/content/story/1089942.html) [from chickenpox](http://www.espncricinfo.com/indian-premier-league-2017/content/story/1089942.html)

Sooryanarayanan: "RCB trusting the batting line-up to click. Binny at 6 doesn't speak of great depth, but if Gayle, Watson and Jadhav fire, it'll suffice for them."

Watson: We are playing in front of an incredible atmosphere. Hopefully we can get the fans going. Anything over 170 will be a good total. We have four changes. Billy Stanlake, Vishnu Vinod, Negi, and Abdulla are in. Head, Aniket, Baby, and Aravind miss out.

So, RCB are playing three spinners - two left-armers in Negi and Abdulla and a legspinner in Chahal

Zaheer: We were looking to bowl, so our plans have not changed. Good toss to lose. Our overseas players are Billings, Cummins, Morris, and Brathwaite.

And Pant is playing

Siddharth: "Really. Whats the need for Hilfeanhaus in a pace bowling attack which boasts Cummins, Rabada, Morris, Shami and Zak. DD desperately needed a batsman. "

7.20pm Royal Challengers misfired with the ball, bat, and in the field on Wednesday. To add to their worries, part-time keeper Kedhar Jadav did not look comfortable against pace or spin. Kerala keeper-batsman Vishnu Vinod, who struck 14 sixes, the most by a player in the Inter-state T20s, has been signed as KL Rahul's replacement. Daredevils, meanwhile, have [brought in](http://www.espncricinfo.com/indian-premier-league-2017/content/story/1090286.html) Hilfenhaus for JP Duminy.

And Chris Gayle needs only 31 to become the first player 10,000 runs in T20 cricket. Can the #Universeboss do it tonight?

Bengaluru city police tweet: "Over 1100 policemen have been deployed for tonite's IPL match. Trust us, no daredevils are a threat tonite."

raj: "I think RCB should definitely play Badree today , in addition to Mills , because their bowling is very weak. They might have to drop Head."

Themainman: "Tonight is going to be a run feast! Gayle vs billings..whoever gets the bigger knock will win it for his team!"

7.10pm Since 2011, Royal Challengers Bangalore have lost only once to Delhi Daredevils in ten games. Both teams, though, can't field their first-choice XI tonight. Virat Kohli hasn't yet fully recovered from a shoulder injury he sustained in the India-Australia Test series; AB de Villiers is a doubtful starter as well, having missed the season opener in Hyderabad. Daredevils, meanwhile, are missing Duminy, de Kock, amd Mathews. Risbah Pant is also in doubt for the match following the death of his father, although he rejoined the team and trained on Friday evening.

PRAVEEN: "This game could be a contest of bench strength, given the injuries in both teams."



