

Mumbai Indians VS Kolkata Night Riders

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7.58pm The umpires stroll out. Mumbai take a different approach, absolutely stomping the lawn as they run out. Gambhir's taking guard, and Malinga is measuring his run-up. No slips.

7.55pm Two of the four batsmen Harbhajan has dismissed most often in the IPL (four times) are Gautam Gambhir and Manish Pandey. The other two are Suresh Raina and Dwayne Smith. Both Pandey (6.00) and Gambhir (6.46) score at less than seven an over against Harbhajan.

An extension of that last stat: we might see an over from Malinga, an over from McClenaghan and then spin against Lynn in the Powerplay. Run-rate 4.90 against left-arm spin and 3.33 against right-arm spin in the Powerplays. He's been dismissed thrice by left-arm spinners in the PP.

7.50pm Ten minutes from start and here's something to chew on: Chris Lynn can be destructive against right-arm pace - he has scored at a run rate of 10.93 against them - but hasn't been as good against other kinds of bowling - left-arm pace (7.93), left-arm spin (6.16) and right-arm spin (7.05).

7.47pm Since the start of the 2015 season, the last-five-overs run rate at the Wankhede is 11.59, the second-most of all IPL venues behind Brabourne Stadium (12.16).

Timothy: "I think it's absolutely rubbish that they don't play Shakib Al Hasan. Since Sunil Narine's change in bowling action, he's looked less threatening. He should've been replaced by Shakib." ---- Shakib's also earned a rest, though - series in NZ, India and Sri Lanka leading up to the IPL.

7.40pm: Mumbai Indians XI: Parthiv Patel (wk), Jos Buttler, Rohit Sharma (c), Nitish Rana, Krunal Pandya, Kieron Pollard, Hardik Pandya, Harbhajan Singh, Mitchell McClenaghan, Lasith Malinga, Jasprit Bumrah
Knight Riders XI: Gautam Gambhir (c), Chris Lynn, Robin Uthappa (wk), Manish Pandey, Yusuf Pathan, Suryakumar Yadav, Chris Woakes, Kuldeep Yadav, Ankit Rajpoot, Sunil Narine, Trent Boult

And on the flip side: Uthappa v Harbhajan - 75 runs off 43 balls (SR of 174.4), 2 dismissals

Here's speculation on why Chawla may have been dropped: Rohit Sharma v Chawla - 122 runs off 96 balls (SR of 127.08), 1 dismissal. That's the most Rohit has against **any** bowler in the IPL.

7.32pm Team news: Malinga and Harbhajan have come in for Southee and Rayudu in Mumbai's line-up. For KKR, medium-pacer Ankit Rajpoot replaces Piyush Chawla.

7.30pm Mumbai Indians have won the toss and elected to field.

7.28pm Not too far from the toss now. In eight of 12 games at this venue in the last two years, teams batting first have posted above 170. However, teams batting first **lost all four** games at the Wankhede in IPL 2016.

Some nice numbers if you're a Kolkata fan: At this venue in 2016, **spinners took 16 wickets at 20.12, economy of 7.00**, as opposed to pacers who took 26 wickets at 34.30, economy of 8.52

Zabin: "how likely is Shakib to play?" --- He's with the team, but they might not be willing to change a winning combination.

Mustafa Moudi: "Both these sides scored exactly 184 in the last match. The only difference is KKR was way too brutal by scoring it in just 14.5 overs without losing a wicket"

And more from **Vishal**: 'The stands are pretty packed already. Lights are flashing, the music is blaring, people are sweating...a usual IPL day at Wankhede'

7.20pm Our man **Vishal Dikshit** reports from Mumbai: 'The two teams are warming up. Malinga, Harbhajan, Bumrah and McClenaghan bowling next to the pitch. That means Southee will probably have to sit out. It's the Wankhede so, obviously, SRT getting all the attention. He's right next to the pitch. First L Balaji has a chat with him, then KP walks up to him and now Jacques Kallis has joined him.'

SKA: "Saurabh for Rayadu, Malinga for Southee, and Bhaji for Krunal Pandya. Though i am tempted to give Krunal a game, unless the team think tank is looking at Karn Sharma. Jos should open with Parthiv"

Rahul: "@Vivek Replace the injured Rayadu with Bhajji and you have the most balanced team of the IPL. Also Malinga replaces Southee "

Rishav: "IPL should seriously have away team captain decide whether to bat or bowl instead if toss. With home and away games it will even things out at the end. Batting second is a very big advantage and luck of captains at toss could decide IPL."

DanielAlexander: "Mahela & Malinga. @MahelaJay - Mahela played with Malinga - Mahela captained Malinga - Malinga captained Mahela - Mahela coaching Malinga"

Vivek: "MI should go for a change in team. According to me it should be as follows: Rohit, Parthiv, Saurabh Tiwary, Hardik, Krunal, Jos Buttler, Pollard, Southee, Harbajan, Malinga, Bumrah. Batting depth, plus bowling expertise, plus firepower to score quick."

7pm Welcome to the second game of double-header Sunday. It's Mumbai Indians versus the Kolkata Knight Riders. On the face of it, it's Kolkata with all the momentum today; a ten-wicket victory in their last game and a batting performance so ruthless, Gujarat Lions still haven't recovered. On the other hand, Mumbai had their hearts broken in the last over by Steven Smith a few nights ago.

The bigger picture undoes those outcomes. Mumbai have a 13-5 win record overall against Kolkata. It's 5-1 at the Wankhede, which is today's venue. The last three encounters between these teams were won by Mumbai.

There's also the small matter of Lasith Malinga, who is returning fresh from a hat-trick against Bangladesh a few days ago: if he plays, he'll be bowling to a side with a top and middle order that, literally, hasn't faced a ball yet in this tournament. Daunting, isn't it? Will this be where the hosts take off in IPL 10? Or should we just live in the moment and give KKR the respect they earned the other night? Answers soon.

0.1

1

Malinga to Gambhir, 1 run, full, fast, swinging in at yorker length, clears the front leg and jams it into the off side

0.2

1w

Malinga to Lynn, 1 wide, goes for the yorker at leg stump, no movement this time and this goes down the leg

0.2

1

Malinga to Lynn, 1 run, slight movement away, and another yorker. This one is in the corridor, and he digs it out to mid-off

0.3

0

Malinga to Gambhir, no run, overpitched, swinging in at off stump, driven firmly to mid-on

0.4

1

Malinga to Gambhir, 1 run, in the blockhole outside off, slices this to Bumrah at third man who fumbles, but won't pay a price for it

0.5

1w

Malinga to Lynn, 1 wide, looks for the slower ball yorker, misses his line again, down the leg side and through to Parthiv

0.5

4

Malinga to Lynn, **FOUR**, misses the length this time. Slower ball, floated full outside off, puts in a big stride and clubs it through his partner's legs and past mid-on

0.6

1

Malinga to Lynn, 1 run, a yorker at middle stump, clears the front leg and gets it sweetly off the middle as he slices this to cover

Saj: "We are in the 10th IPL season. Shouldn't they have named a stand after Malinga at the Wankhede by now?"

No surprise, the lengths in that over. Malinga has bowled the most yorkers by any bowler in each of the 7 IPL seasons he has played.

END OF OVER:

1 | 10 Runs | KKR: 10/0

- CA Lynn6 (3b)
- G Gambhir2 (3b)
- SL Malinga1-0-10-0

Mitch. The Kiwi one. With a slip.

1.1

0

McClenaghan to Lynn, no run, back of a length, angled across off stump, left alone

1.2

4

McClenaghan to Lynn, **FOUR**, short and down the leg side, he's backing away, but has enough time to pull this past short fine leg

1.3

0

McClenaghan to Lynn, no run, **loud appeal in excitement of beating the batsman**. Good length, pitching outside leg and goes straight through and under his attempted slog. Well away from the bat but bowler and keeper appeal

1.4

1

McClenaghan to Lynn, 1 run, slower bouncer, angled across off stump, drags it to deep midwicket with a pull shot

1.5

0

McClenaghan to Gambhir, no run, good length, at off stump, back foot defence into the point region

1.6

4

McClenaghan to Gambhir, **FOUR**, good length outside off stump, clears the front leg and slaps this through cover point

Brendan : "Is there a reason Lynn isn't featuring more prominently in the Australian set up?" --- Got injured soon after getting a call-up in Jan.

Who are the greatest openers in the first decade of the IPL? Vote now! Only 24 hours to go! And should Robin Uthappa open for Kolkata Knight Riders? He's slipped to ninth on our poll.

END OF OVER:

2 | 9 Runs | KKR: 19/0

- G Gambhir6 (5b)
- CA Lynn11 (7b)
- MJ McClenaghan1-0-9-0
- SL Malinga1-0-10-0

Bumrah

2.1

0

Bumrah to Lynn, no run, yorker, just outside off stump, beats him as he tries to chop this square on the off side

2.2

0

Bumrah to Lynn, no run, another yorker outside off stump, this is a slower ball. He gets bat, but can only dig it out along the pitch and back to the bowler

2.3

2nb

Bumrah to Lynn, (no ball) 1 run, good length, angled in at off stump, goes for the big heave and gets a thick inside edge to short fine leg. **Overstepped, so Gambhir has a free hit next ball**

2.3

2

Bumrah to Gambhir, 2 runs, yorker at off stump, he's deep in his crease and gets an extra inch to whip that to Buttler's right at deep midwicket

2.4

1

Bumrah to Gambhir, 1 run, good length at middle stump, heaves across the line, bat turns and the ball rolls to long leg

2.5

2nb

Bumrah to Lynn, (no ball) 1 run, **another no-ball, this one for height**. Misses the yorker by a huge margin this time. It's at off stump, above waist height and just fast enough for him not to wallop that out of the stadium. It lands harmlessly in the off side infield but a **free hit for Gambhir again**

2.5

4

Bumrah to Gambhir, **FOUR**, backs away, expects the yorker again, is rewarded with a low full toss outside off that he slices past a diving point fielder

2.6

4

Bumrah to Gambhir, **FOUR**, length ball in the corridor, pokes at this to try and dab a single through third man, gets an outside edge that beats him instead

END OF OVER:

3 | 15 Runs | KKR: 34/0

- G Gambhir17 (9b)
- CA Lynn13 (11b)
- JJ Bumrah1-0-15-0
- MJ McClenaghan1-0-9-0

Malinga changes ends

3.1

1

Malinga to Lynn, 1 run, and changes length. Good length, slower ball at off stump. Lynn is through the slog early, gets it off the bottom to square leg who has a shy and misses at the non-striker's

3.2

1

Malinga to Gambhir, 1 run, good length, swinging in at middle stump, watches it closely and taps it late to short fine leg

3.3

0

Malinga to Lynn, no run, slower ball, short and wide, bludgeoned straight to cover point on the up

3.4

6

Malinga to Lynn, **SIX**, he likes this length. Just short of a good length, slower ball that he's expecting. Stands tall, waits for it and slaps it 91 metres into the stands at the square leg boundary

3.5

1

Malinga to Lynn, 1 run, back of a length at middle stump, mistimed pull to deep midwicket

3.6

1

Malinga to Gambhir, 1 run, good length at off stump, dabs it late to third man off the back foot

Dilip D'Souza: "Thanks for stats about, for example, Malinga's figures in his last IPL game -- do you have a stat for when KKR last lost a wicket?" --- Jason Holder, in the Eliminator against Sunrisers Hyderabad last season.

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END OF OVER:

4 | 10 Runs | KKR: 44/0

- G Gambhir19 (11b)
- CA Lynn21 (15b)
- SL Malinga2-0-20-0
- JJ Bumrah1-0-15-0

Here is Krunal

4.1

0

KH Pandya to Gambhir, no run, good length at leg stump, backs way but cramped, pushes to square leg

4.2

w

KH Pandya to Gambhir, **OUT**, good length at leg stump, this time he stays put, gets on one knee and tries to lift this over square leg with a sweep. McCleneghan times his jump nicely and holds on to it

Just as we were discussing when they lost their last wicket

And after nearly 20 overs of KKR batting, someone else gets a go. It's Uthappa.

4.3

0

KH Pandya to Uthappa, no run, good length at off stump, forward defence

4.4

4

KH Pandya to Uthappa, **FOUR**, good length, arm ball at off stump. Uthappa offers an angled bat as he pokes at this off the front foot. Thick outside edge runs away to the third man boundary

slip comes in

4.5

W

KH Pandya to Uthappa, **OUT, and he's gotta go back!** Good length at off stump, he doesn't poke at this because slip has come in. Goes for the slog sweep instead. Not to the pitch of this, slices it at a nice height for Hardik at deep midwicket and the Pandya household can't be prouder

4.6

0

KH Pandya to Lynn, no run, back of a length outside off, chopped straight to point

END OF OVER:

5 | 4 Runs 2 Wkts | KKR: 48/2

- CA Lynn21 (16b)
- MK Pandey0 (0b)
- KH Pandya1-0-4-2
- SL Malinga2-0-20-0

Pandey will face Mitch first-up. Around the wicket. A wide slip in place.

5.1

1lb

McClenaghan to Pandey, 1 leg bye, back of a length, angled in at the legs and catches the thigh guard, through to short fine as he misses out on the glance

over the wicket

5.2

4

McClenaghan to Lynn, **FOUR**, back of a length, outside off stump, enough room for him to butcher this on the up past extra cover

5.3

1

McClenaghan to Lynn, 1 run, slower ball, back of a length at middle stump, stands tall and tucks it to deep midwicket

slip moves out into the leg side. Conservation time already.

5.4

0

McClenaghan to Pandey, no run, back of a length in the corridor, opens the face and slices it on the up, Rana takes it above his head at point on the bounce, one-handed

5.5

1

McClenaghan to Pandey, 1 run, good length at leg stump, tucked off his pads to short fine's right

5.6

1w

McClenaghan to Lynn, 1 wide, attempted bouncer, but this one sits in the pitch and flies wide, feebly, past the wide marker

5.6

1w

McClenaghan to Lynn, 1 wide, good length, slower ball, this time down the leg side

5.6

2

McClenaghan to Lynn, 2 runs, overpitched at leg stump, clears the front leg and hammers this flat past the bowler, it bounces once and is headed to the boundary but a wild Pollard appears out of nowhere - diving low to the left at long-on, one-handed, takes it on the bounce - and that's only two

All wides and no-balls have been bowled at Lynn

END OF OVER:

6 | 11 Runs | KKR: 59/2

- CA Lynn28 (19b)
- MK Pandey1 (3b)
- MJ McClenaghan2-0-19-0
- KH Pandya1-0-4-2

6.1

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KH Pandya to Pandey, 1 run, full at off stump, opens his stance and pushes it to sweeper cover

6.2

1

KH Pandya to Lynn, 1 run, good length at leg stump, driven to long-on off the back foot

6.3

0

KH Pandya to Pandey, no run, good length at off stump, pushed to cover on the up

6.4

2

KH Pandya to Pandey, 2 runs, good length at off stump, pushes it wide of cover this time and he slides poorly - above the ball - and allows a second

6.5

1

KH Pandya to Pandey, 1 run, full at leg stump, driven to long-on

6.6

1

KH Pandya to Lynn, 1 run, full at leg stump, flicked straight to short fine

And we have the first time-out. By the way, Krunal Pandya's economy rate in the first innings in the IPL is 6.94. It's 8.41 in the second innings.

END OF OVER:

7 | 6 Runs | KKR: 65/2

- CA Lynn30 (21b)
- MK Pandey5 (7b)
- KH Pandya2-0-10-2
- MJ McClenaghan2-0-19-0

7.1

0

Bumrah to Lynn, no run, slower ball at a length outside off, flat-batted on the up to extra cover

7.2

2

Bumrah to Lynn, 2 runs, slower length ball at off again, this time he flat-bats it past the bowler and picks up two as long-on and long-off converge

7.3

w

Bumrah to Lynn, **OUT, plumb in front**. Good length, this one is fast and straight. Lynn shuffles across and tries to lift this square on the leg side. It's an ugly swipe in the end, with eyes off the ball. It strikes him just above the flap on the back leg which is in front of middle stump. **Correction:** It hit the knee roll on the front leg

Pathan. Wide slip in place

7.4

0

Bumrah to Pathan, no run, back of a length in the corridor, defended into the off side

7.5

0

Bumrah to Pathan, no run, good length outside off stump, tapped into the off side

7.6

0

Bumrah to Pathan, no run, full at off stump, defended solidly off the front foot, straight to mid-off

Only 19 of Lynn's 125 runs so far this season have come behind the wicket. A good guy to get out before the middle overs, clearly.

END OF OVER:

8 | 2 Runs 1 Wkt | KKR: 67/3

- YK Pathan0 (3b)
- MK Pandey5 (7b)
- JJ Bumrah2-0-17-1
- KH Pandya2-0-10-2

Bhajji

8.1

0

Harbhajan Singh to Pandey, no run, good length at off stump, tucked off the back foot, straight to midwicket

8.2

1

Harbhajan Singh to Pandey, 1 run, back of a length at middle stump, back foot drive to deep square
a slip for Pathan

8.3

0

Harbhajan Singh to Pathan, no run, good length at off stump, forward defence back down the pitch

8.4

2

Harbhajan Singh to Pathan, 2 runs, good length at off stump, one hands comes off the bat as he sweeps this to deep square leg's right, but that's Krunal there and he runs hard and puts in a dive at the boundary line
slip goes out

8.5

1

Harbhajan Singh to Pathan, 1 run, back of a length at off stump, chopped to deep point

Manish Pandey v Harbhajan in the IPL - 53 runs off 53 balls, 4 dismissals

8.6

1

Harbhajan Singh to Pandey, 1 run, good length at off stump, punched off the back foot to midwicket's right

END OF OVER:

9 | 5 Runs | KKR: 72/3

- MK Pandey7 (10b)
- YK Pathan3 (6b)

- Harbhajan Singh1-0-5-0

- JJ Bumrah2-0-17-1

9.1

2

Pandya to Pandey, 2 runs, back of a length outside off, waits late and cuts it past point who gets a hand to slow it down as sweeper approaches it

9.2

1

Pandya to Pandey, 1 run, tossed up outside off, steps out, gets to the pitch but only after stretching wide. Can only hit it to long-off

9.3

1

Pandya to Pathan, 1 run, good length outside off, one-handed sweep again, this time long leg is in place and he finds him

9.4

1

Pandya to Pandey, 1 run, tossed up at middle stump, steps out and jams it out to long-on

9.5

1

Pandya to Pathan, 1 run, good length at off stump, goes forward and drops it into the off side

9.6

1

Pandya to Pandey, 1 run, short at middle stump, straightens and forces him to swivel as he pulls it to deep square

END OF OVER:

10 | 7 Runs | KKR: 79/3

- MK Pandey12 (14b)

- YK Pathan5 (8b)

- KH Pandya3-0-17-2

- Harbhajan Singh1-0-5-0

10.1

0

Harbhajan Singh to Pandey, no run, good length outside off, arm ball, slides through quickly under his attempted cut and beats him

10.2

0

Harbhajan Singh to Pandey, no run, good length at off stump, closes the face too early and the leading edge teases extra cover and the bowler, before landing safely in front of both. Buttler then attempts a run-out but Pandey has dived back in and he's safe, as **third umpire confirms**

10.3

1

Harbhajan Singh to Pandey, 1 run, short and wide, finds sweeper with the cut

Harbhajan took only 8 wickets at 40.87 in the middle overs (7-15) last IPL season, economy of 7.78

10.4

1

Harbhajan Singh to Pathan, 1 run, short and wide outside off stump, back foot punch to find sweeper

10.5

1

Harbhajan Singh to Pandey, 1 run, flat full toss at off stump, clears the front leg, slogs it past Rohit at midwicket who might have got a hand on it, long-on doesn't have to travel too fast to his right

10.6

0

Harbhajan Singh to Pathan, no run, good length at off stump, defended back to the bowler

END OF OVER:

11 | 3 Runs | KKR: 82/3

- YK Pathan6 (10b)
- MK Pandey14 (18b)
- Harbhajan Singh2-0-8-0
- KH Pandya3-0-17-2

We haven't had a boundary in 34 balls

11.1

0

Pandya to Pandey, no run, **dropped**. This is looped beautifully at middle stump, draws him forward, makes him poke, draws the edge. Basically he's done everything perfectly as a left-arm spinner. But that took off rapidly and Parthiv can't hold on

11.2

4

Pandya to Pandey, **FOUR** runs, full and wide outside off, this time he throws his hands at it unceremoniously, gets an outside edge again, and it's four this time

11.3

1

Pandya to Pandey, 1 run, back of a length at off stump, back foot punch to sweeper

11.4

W

Pandya to Pathan, **OUT, beautiful bowling.** Loops it up again, good length at off. Pathan has had enough scratching around. Bounces down the track, doesn't get to the pitch and slices this to long-off's left, and it's brother Hardik under it again

11.5

1

Pandya to Pandey, 1 run, back of a length outside off, finds point with the cut

11.6

1

Pandya to Yadav, 1 run, back of a length at off stump, goes deep in the crease and whips it to deep midwicket off the back foot

END OF OVER:

12 | 7 Runs 1 Wkt | KKR: 89/4

- SA Yadav1 (1b)
- MK Pandey20 (22b)
- KH Pandya4-0-24-3
- Harbhajan Singh2-0-8-0

12.1

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Harbhajan Singh to Yadav, 1 run, good length, fired in at leg stump, pushed to long leg

12.2

4

Harbhajan Singh to Pandey, **FOUR** runs, top spinner, short and wide, hangs back and opens the face to get this past short third man. Skillful.

12.3

1

Harbhajan Singh to Pandey, 1 run, fires it fast, short at off stump, pulls it to midwicket

12.4

1

Harbhajan Singh to Yadav, 1 run, back of a length at off stump, punched off the back foot past the bowler

12.5

1

Harbhajan Singh to Pandey, 1 run, flat and short at off stump again, hurries him on the pull, he can't connect, rolls slowly to midwicket

12.6

1

Harbhajan Singh to Yadav, 1 run, short and wide outside off, late cut, can't get it past short third man

END OF OVER:

13 | 9 Runs | KKR: 98/4

- SA Yadav4 (4b)
- MK Pandey26 (25b)
- Harbhajan Singh3-0-17-0
- KH Pandya4-0-24-3

Mitch, around the wicket

13.1

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McClenaghan to Yadav, 1 run, full at leg stump, driven with the full face to long-on

13.2

1

McClenaghan to Pandey, 1 run, short and wide outside off stump, backs away and slaps it to sweeper cover

13.3

0

McClenaghan to Yadav, no run, short at middle stump, skips outside leg stump to ramp it to the third man boundary, beaten

13.4

1

McClenaghan to Yadav, 1 run, slower ball at off stump, good length, hits it on the up and on the bounce to Pollard at long-on

13.5

0

McClenaghan to Pandey, no run, short and wide outside off stump, climbs over his attempted cut shot and beats him

13.6

6

McClenaghan to Pandey, **SIX** runs, keeps at that line and length, short and wide outside off, this time Pandey doesn't try to hit it hard. Anticipates the bounce, and uses it to ramp it over third man

shashank: "Looking at economy rates and wickets, kkr would be wishing to have chawla instead of rajpoot now"

rssampat: "KKR need to look at 160-170 to have a good shot at defending it here as they do have the bowling resources that can bring MI down."

END OF OVER:

14 | 9 Runs | KKR: 107/4

- MK Pandey33 (28b)
- SA Yadav6 (7b)

- MJ McClenaghan3-0-28-0
- Harbhajan Singh3-0-17-0

14.1

0

Harbhajan Singh to Yadav, no run, back of a length at off stump, punched straight to extra cover off the back foot

14.2

4

Harbhajan Singh to Yadav, **FOUR** runs, **what a shot**. Flat at a length outside off, it's like he's playing a pacer against the new ball - half a stride and drives it on the up to beat long-off to his left

14.3

0

Harbhajan Singh to Yadav, no run, top spinner, good length at off stump, pushed back down the pitch

14.4

1

Harbhajan Singh to Yadav, 1 run, fired flat at leg stump, good length, pushes it past the bowler's right. He gets across but loses the ball as he falls down and they can take a single

14.5

1

Harbhajan Singh to Pandey, 1 run, good length outside off, dabbled to short third man

14.6

4

Harbhajan Singh to Yadav, **FOUR** runs, superb from Yadav. Flat at a good length outside off, barely moves his feet for this. Exposes the stumps and chops it past short third man

END OF OVER:

15 | 10 Runs | KKR: 117/4

- SA Yadav15 (12b)
- MK Pandey34 (29b)
- Harbhajan Singh4-0-27-0
- MJ McClenaghan3-0-28-0

15.1

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Bumrah to Pandey, 1 run, full at off stump, drags this past square leg off the inside half of the bat

15.2

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Bumrah to Yadav, 1 run, slower ball, back of a length at leg stump, punched to long-on off the back foot

15.3

1

Bumrah to Pandey, 1 run, back of a length slower ball at off stump, backs away and slices it to third man
 Abad: "I Heard these days narine can strike ball very well and I guess he deserves a promotion to showcase his new talent. what do you think?" --- I don't see him coming ahead of Woakes....

15.4

1

Bumrah to Yadav, 1 run, follows the batsman as he moves down the leg side, back of a length, forces him to push on the up to long-on

15.5

6

Bumrah to Pandey, **SIX** runs, misses the yorker marginally, and that's enough for Pandey to clear his front leg and lift it over the long-on boundary

15.6

4

Bumrah to Pandey, **FOUR** runs, lovely. Good length, angled in at off stump, opens the face and blazes it past point

Time-out.

END OF OVER:

16 | 14 Runs | KKR: 131/4

- MK Pandey46 (33b)
- SA Yadav17 (14b)
- JJ Bumrah3-0-31-1
- Harbhajan Singh4-0-27-0

Pandey, first 30 balls in IPL: SR of 111.39; after 30 balls - SR of 172.77. Malinga will have something to say to that. He has the ball.

16.1

w

Malinga to Yadav, **OUT**, slower ball, full at leg stump, he wants to whip this wide of long-on but the pace throws him off. He lobs it straight to Pollard, who barely has to move at long-on

16.2

1

Malinga to Pandey, 1 run, **Pandey nearly runs himself out next ball**. Slower ball at leg stump, good length. He taps it to Harbhajan at midwicket and takes him on. Was nowhere near making the crease at the non-strikers, but Harbhajan misses

16.3

0

Malinga to Woakes, no run, slower ball, overpitched at middle stump, shapes to drive this, is forced to push at it at the last moment. Thick inside edge to midwicket

16.4

2

Malinga to Woakes, 2 runs, slower ball at middle stump, not in control as he looks to work this into the leg side, but only manages to chip it over the umpire

16.5

1

Malinga to Woakes, 1 run, yorker tailing in at leg stump, squeezed down to long-on

16.6

1

Malinga to Pandey, 1 run, slower length ball at middle stump, pushes it to midwicket's right and keeps the strike

END OF OVER:

17 | 5 Runs 1 Wkt | KKR: 136/5

- MK Pandey48 (35b)
- CR Woakes3 (3b)
- SL Malinga3-0-25-1
- JJ Bumrah3-0-31-1

17.1

1

Bumrah to Pandey, 1 run, slower ball, full at off stump, catches the inside edge as he swipes across the line. Malinga misfields at short fine to his left, but they'd already run through

17.2

2

Bumrah to Woakes, 2 runs, **he's not picking the slower ball at either end**. This one is full at off stump, he's through the drive early, trying to thread it through the off side. Goes off the inside half to deep midwicket

17.3

1

Bumrah to Woakes, 1 run, yorker at off stump, tapped into the off side

17.4

1

Bumrah to Pandey, 1 run, slower ball, low full toss at off stump. Picks it and absolutely nails the slog. Finds deep midwicket. **That's fifty for him**

17.5

2

Bumrah to Woakes, 2 runs, full toss at off stump, opens the face to find the square boundary on the off side. Short third man does phenomenally to dive to his right to save a four. Then throws unnecessarily to concede an overthrow to deep midwicket. McCleneghan there

17.6

1

Bumrah to Woakes, 1 run, yorker at off stump, brings the bat down hard at this. Chops it to short third man again, who takes a crowd-catch and holds on to it this time

END OF OVER:

18 | 8 Runs | KKR: 144/5

- CR Woakes9 (7b)
- MK Pandey50 (37b)
- JJ Bumrah4-0-39-1
- SL Malinga3-0-25-1

Sixty-seven bowlers have sent down 100 or more balls in the last four overs of IPL matches. Only six have economy rates below eight an over. Malinga's is the best - 7.43. He also has 76 wickets in that phase at 12.82.

18.1

W

Malinga to Woakes, **OUT**, slower length at middle stump, gets under it but can't generate power. Finds Pollard as he tries to slot this over long-on on the up

18.2

1

Malinga to Pandey, 1 run, slower ball, good length at off stump, walks into the shot as he whips this wide of long-on on the up

18.3

1

Malinga to Narine, 1 run, slower ball, good length outside off, slices it uppishly to find sweeper cover

Narine has shown a six-hitting ability in recent times. A sweep and whip on the leg side that is straight out of the Lara handbook. And a slice over the off side at length balls. Not too much else though.

18.4

2

Malinga to Pandey, 2 runs, full at leg stump, whips it nicely, wide of deep midwicket who fumbles and allows a second

18.5

6

Malinga to Pandey, **SIX** runs, **shoooooot**. Waits for the slower ball. It arrives at a full length, off stump line. Front foot out of the way and puts deep midwicket on ball retrieving duty

18.6

1

Malinga to Pandey, 1 run, slower ball, short and wide, tapped to short third man

END OF OVER:

19 | 11 Runs 1 Wkt | KKR: 155/6

- MK Pandey60 (41b)
- SP Narine1 (1b)
- SL Malinga4-0-36-2
- JJ Bumrah4-0-39-1

Mitch will bowl the last over. Sticks to his around the wicket preference

19.1

6

McClenaghan to Pandey, **SIX** runs, length ball at off stump, sits up nicely for him and he pulls this on the up over deep midwicket. This length has become predictable for Pandey

Over the wicket now. That might have been the last of the short balls at Pandey.

19.2

5nb

McClenaghan to Pandey, (no ball) FOUR runs, **but it's a full toss next ball and also a no-ball!** Oversteps and bowls a knee-height full toss at middle stump for Pandey to dispatch between long-on and deep midwicket while he smiles at the thought of a free hit next ball

19.2

1w

McClenaghan to Pandey, 1 wide, low full toss at his legs. He's standing outside leg stump and moves his leg away to let it go past him. Umpire calls wide. Bowler unimpressed. Rightly so.

still a free hit

19.2

6

McClenaghan to Pandey, **SIX** runs, **misses the yorker again.** Errs on the shorter side this time, so it's overpitched at middle stump. Pandey is standing deep. Gets under it and launches it flat over the bowler

19.3

0

McClenaghan to Pandey, no run, yorker, full and wide outside off, can't get bat on this. Wanted to pick third man but is beaten

19.4

4

McClenaghan to Pandey, **FOUR** runs, **this time he's successful!** Low full toss, wide outside off, opens the face and taps it through the slip region to find the third man boundary

19.5

1

McClenaghan to Pandey, 1 run, yorker outside off stump, opens the face and runs it to third man

Extension to the stat earlier: Pandey made 35 off his first 30 balls today. 46 off 17 after that.

Narine

19.6

W

McClenaghan to Narine, **OUT**,anti-climax. Yorker at off stump from around the wicket, gets him on the toe in front of off stump and the umpire raises his finger. Even though replays showed he got a big bottom edge on that.

9.46pm Masterful batting from Pandey in the end. KKR were visibly nervous when Krunal Pandya started chipping away at their top order, but he has done fantastically. From 107 for 4 at the end of 14 overs to 178 in the end - 71 runs off the last six overs. This pitch is taking a turn too, so KKR will be mighty confident. Even without Chawla, they have three spinners to put pressure on Mumbai who will feel a little winded at the end of this innings. The chase, soon.

END OF OVER:

20 | 23 Runs 1 Wkt | KKR: 178/7

- MK Pandey81 (47b)
- MJ McClenaghan4-0-51-1
- SL Malinga4-0-36-2

9.55pm Hello again. Knight Riders ended their innings on a high, but Mumbai Indians still need only 179, not 200. The Wankhede has always been a great chasing ground. Knight Riders, though, have a pretty potent bowling attack, with excellent seam and spin options. This should be a lot of fun to watch. Jos Buttler is opening again, and with him is Parthiv Patel. Trent Boult has the new ball.

Afsar: "Bumrah + Malinga + Mitch conceded 126 runs, rest 51 runs are by spinners!!" -- Indeed. And Knight Riders have Kuldeep and Narine and Yusuf Pathan.

0.1

0

Boult to Patel, no run, wide-ish length ball to start, and Parthiv plays a good-looking drive, straight to cover point

0.2

0

Boult to Patel, no run, back of a length in the corridor, a bit of shape away, beats Parthiv's defensive poke. No footwork there

0.3

4

Boult to Patel, **FOUR**, short, a bit of width, Parthiv stabs it away crisply, just opens his bat face and sends it racing away to the right of backward point and leaves third man no chance of cutting it off to his left

0.4

0

Boult to Patel, no run, big slash and miss. A little fuller, wide again. Parthiv flays at it and the ball shapes away to beat his bat

0.5

1

Boult to Patel, 1 run, back of a length outside off, steered down to third man

0.6

4

Boult to Buttler, **FOUR**, full, a bit of swing in towards middle stump. It's the lbw ball, but Buttler hasn't planted his front leg firmly, he quickly moves it out of the way and clips the ball away through square leg.

Lovely shot

END OF OVER:

1 | 9 Runs | MI: 9/0 (170 runs required from 19 overs, RR: 9.00, RRR: 8.94)

- JC Buttler4 (1b)
- PA Patel5 (5b)
- TA Boult1-0-9-0

Here's Woakes.

Rohit Sharma has single-handedly contributed 25.5% of runs for Mumbai in wins against KKR. He was Man of the Match in both the games against KKR in IPL 2016; Has made 331 runs at a SR of 141.45 in his last-five matches against them, four fifties - scores of 51, 98*, 30, 84*, 68*

1.1

1w

Woakes to Patel, 1 wide, back of a length, the line is slightly wrong, swings past Parthiv's hip down the leg side

1.1

0

Woakes to Patel, no run, shortish, slanting across Parthiv, gives him a tiny bit of room. Flashes hard at it and misses. Thought I heard a tiny click, and Uthappa does a belated half-appeal, but no one else is interested. Big bottom edge, Ultra Edge says.

1.2

2lb

Woakes to Patel, 2 leg byes, back of a length, swinging down the leg side again. Parthiv misses the glance, but gets some thigh pad on it down towards fine leg

1.3

1

Woakes to Patel, 1 run, short, a bit of shape in to cramp Parthiv for room. Tries to cut, ends up chopping it downwards, into the pitch, and it rolls away square on the off side to enable the single

1.4

1w

Woakes to Buttler, 1 wide, full, wide outswinger. Buttler chases and misses, looking for the cover drive. Signal of wide - a little harsh in my opinion

1.4

0

Woakes to Buttler, no run, back of a length, straightens along the off-stump line. Buttler gets back and across to defend into the on side

1.5

1

Woakes to Buttler, 1 run, back of a length close to off stump, dabbled away towards backward point

1.6

0

Woakes to Patel, no run, another play and miss from Parthiv. This one threatened to shape in and then nipped away off the pitch from a good length outside off. Went for the big, flashy cover drive and got nowhere near it

END OF OVER:

2 | 6 Runs | MI: 15/0 (164 runs required from 18 overs, RR: 7.50, RRR: 9.11)

- PA Patel6 (9b)
- JC Buttler5 (3b)
- CR Woakes1-0-4-0
- TA Boult1-0-9-0

Mumbai have the lowest average partnership for the first wicket since 2016 - 18.00.

2.1

1w

Boult to Buttler, 1 wide, back of a length, this time it's Boult's turn to swing one down the leg side. Both these bowlers seem slightly put off by the right-left combination

2.1

0

Boult to Buttler, no run, ooh, beaut. Came back in a long way, pitched just back of a length, cramped Buttler, and roared past his inside edge as he chopped hurriedly downwards. Appeal for caught behind, but there was no inside edge, just thigh

2.2

1

Boult to Buttler, 1 run, back of a length, swings towards middle and leg. Buttler lets it come on and tucks it through backward square leg

2.3

2

Boult to Patel, 2 runs, length ball swinging away fairly wide of off. Parthiv is early on the cover drive, drags it to mid-off. Throw from Lynn is at the bowler's end with no one backing up and no chance of running Parthiv out. Gives away a needless overthrow

2.4

0

Boult to Patel, no run, play and miss. Again. Down the track this time, making himself room, ends up a long way from the ball as Boult swings this away from an off stump line. Was looking for the big hit over the covers

2.5

4

Boult to Patel, **FOUR**, super timing to follow up. This one's a little fuller, and Parthiv holds his shape much better than he has been. Just waits and plays a regular on-the-up drive and bisects mid-off and extra-cover

2.6

2

Boult to Patel, 2 runs, strange innings, this. A couple of beautiful shots, a lot of ugly swipes. This is an ugly swipe through the leg side, off the bottom of the bat, off a back-of-a-length ball on off and middle

END OF OVER:

3 | 10 Runs | MI: 25/0 (154 runs required from 17 overs, RR: 8.33, RRR: 9.05)

- PA Patel14 (13b)
- JC Buttler6 (5b)
- TA Boult2-0-19-0
- CR Woakes1-0-4-0

3.1

1w

Woakes to Buttler, 1 wide, down the track, making room. Woakes bowls the wide outswinger, shortening his length a touch. Buttler reaches out for the slap, misses, and for the second time CK Nandan signals a slightly harsh wide off Woakes

3.1

1w

Woakes to Buttler, 1 wide, another wide. Saw Buttler looking to make room and bowled it on a sixth-stump line. Buttler just leaves it this time

3.1

1

Woakes to Buttler, 1 run, back of a length close to off stump, rides the bounce to punch this away through point

3.2

0

Woakes to Patel, no run, another wild swish and miss. This time he swipes across the line of a back-of-a-length ball angled across into a fourth-stump line

3.3

0

Woakes to Patel, no run, replay of the previous ball. This one was a lot closer to off stump. Parthiv is lucky he wasn't bowled

3.4

1

Woakes to Patel, 1 run, same shot again, off the same sort of ball. This time he catches the pull with the inside half of his bat and it bounces gently to the left of midwicket

3.5

6

Woakes to Buttler, **SIX**, wow. That's a stunning shot. Woakes goes full and at the stumps, and Buttler takes two nimble steps across and scoops it, easy as you like, over the fine leg boundary

3.6

2

Woakes to Buttler, 2 runs, oh man, what's happened here? Buttler steps down the track, doesn't quite get close to the pitch of this ball. Looks to hit over mid-off, doesn't really middle it, and spoons it high in the air. Lynn, turning around and chasing from mid-off, puts in a big dive, doesn't quite get to the ball, and ends up injuring himself. The ball comes to a stop six inches from the rope, but the batsmen don't notice and only run two before Yusuf Pathan puts in a spint and throws it back. Maybe they didn't run because they didn't want to take advantage of Lynn's injury. He's gone off the field now. Looks like his left shoulder.

END OF OVER:

4 | 12 Runs | MI: 37/0 (142 runs required from 16 overs, RR: 9.25, RRR: 8.87)

- JC Buttler15 (8b)
- PA Patel15 (16b)
- CR Woakes2-0-16-0
- TA Boult2-0-19-0

Narine.

4.1

4

Narine to Patel, **FOUR**, starts his spell with a shortish ball on leg stump, and Parthiv cashes in, pulls it to the right of the deep square leg fielder

4.2

2

Narine to Patel, 2 runs, whoops, misfield. Parthiv steps away from leg stump to try and make room, and Narine lands a sharp offbreak on a good length, spins it across his bat face and he edges it wide of slip

4.3

0

Narine to Patel, no run, pitches outside leg again, flicked to short fine leg

4.4

0

Narine to Patel, no run, looks to make room again, Narine bowls a shortish offbreak and follows him by shifting his line outside leg. Parthiv pokes it gently into the covers

4.5

1

Narine to Patel, 1 run, no premeditation this time. Narine fires a length ball at off stump. Stays back and chops towards short third man, Buttler calls for the single. Yusuf hits direct at the striker's end but Buttler is safe

4.6

0

Narine to Buttler, no run, short, wide, Buttler misses out, cuts straight to cover point, who's inside the circle. The ball did bounce a little extra, though, so he had to work a bit more to get on top of the bounce

END OF OVER:**5 | 7 Runs | MI: 44/0 (135 runs required from 15 overs, RR: 8.80, RRR: 9.00)**

- JC Buttler15 (9b)
- PA Patel22 (21b)
- SP Narine1-0-7-0
- CR Woakes2-0-16-0

Kuldeep.

5.1

0

Kuldeep Yadav to Patel, no run, googly. Parthiv looks to make room to cut, and it cramps him and he bottom-edges into the pitch

5.2

1w

Kuldeep Yadav to Patel, 1 wide, another googly, I think. This one is short and down the leg side. A wide, after Parthiv missed swatting it fine

5.2

1

Kuldeep Yadav to Patel, 1 run, googly again, cramps Parthiv as he tries to cut. Chopped down into the covers for a hurried single

Narine in IPL Powerplays: 13 wickets, economy of 5.43. Outside Powerplays: 72 wickets, economy of 6.46.

5.3

0

Kuldeep Yadav to Buttler, no run, fullish, close to off stump, turns into the right-hander. Buttler stays back and defends

Lynn's shoulder is strapped up with an ice pack.

5.4

1

Kuldeep Yadav to Buttler, 1 run, down the track now and he doesn't quite reach the pitch. Swiped away, along the ground, to deep midwicket

5.5

1

Kuldeep Yadav to Patel, 1 run, big turn. This looked like a pullable long-hop until it turned sharply, away from Parthiv. He drags it to mid-on, just rolls gently to the fielder

5.6

1

Kuldeep Yadav to Buttler, 1 run, back of a length, stock ball that turns in and cramps Buttler for room. Dabs towards point for another quick single

END OF OVER:

6 | 5 Runs | MI: 49/0 (130 runs required from 14 overs, RR: 8.16, RRR: 9.28)

- JC Buttler17 (12b)
- PA Patel24 (24b)
- Kuldeep Yadav1-0-5-0
- SP Narine1-0-7-0

6.1

2

Narine to Buttler, 2 runs, back of a length on the stumps, goes deep in his crease to whip through midwicket

Parthiv's strike rate while chasing 170 or more in the IPL before today - 120.

6.2

0

Narine to Buttler, no run, shortish offbreak, looks to cut but can't make enough room. Jams the ball down into the ground near him, bounces up to the bowler

6.3

0

Narine to Buttler, no run, this one turns the other way from a fuller length. Buttler gets forward to push into the covers

6.4

6

Narine to Buttler, **SIX**, this is an offbreak, in the perfect slot for Buttler to smash it away, with the turn, a lot of bat-speed, over long-on

6.5

1

Narine to Buttler, 1 run, back of a length this time, Buttler makes room to flat-bat this offbreak to the left of long-off

6.6

0

Narine to Patel, no run, looks to slog this over the leg side from wide outside off, misses. Narine bowled this one much quicker than his previous balls, I think

END OF OVER:

7 | 9 Runs | MI: 58/0 (121 runs required from 13 overs, RR: 8.28, RRR: 9.30)

- PA Patel24 (25b)
- JC Buttler26 (17b)
- SP Narine2-0-16-0
- Kuldeep Yadav1-0-5-0

7.1

1

Kuldeep Yadav to Buttler, 1 run, shortish stock ball pitching outside off, Buttler flat-bats to long-off. The ball seems to be stopping and turning quite a bit

7.2

6

Kuldeep Yadav to Patel, **SIX**, wham. Parthiv middles one after a while. Floated up outside off, and Parthiv gets down low for the slog-sweep over wide long-on. He was hitting against the turn, but it was full enough for that not to matter

7.3

W

Kuldeep Yadav to Patel, **OUT**, given! Parthiv looks to sweep again, stepped across his stumps before doing so, and missed. Length ball, pitched on off stump, and straightened towards middle and off. Looked a fairly straightforward decision

PA Patel lbw b Kuldeep Yadav 30 (37m 27b 3x4 1x6) SR: 111.11

The new man is... ~~Rohit Sharma~~ Nitish Rana.

Lakshman Kumar: "Star Batsman.. Injury while saving a boundary.. Ice pack on the shoulder.. this scenario has become a regular these days in Cricket..!"

7.4

4

Kuldeep Yadav to Rana, **FOUR**, shortish googly, looks to pull, only manages a bottom-edge that runs away to the fine-leg boundary

7.5

1

Kuldeep Yadav to Rana, 1 run, sweeps this time, from outside off down to deep backward square leg

7.6

1

Kuldeep Yadav to Buttler, 1 run, length ball on middle stump, turning in. Presses forward to defend and gets an inside edge that rolls into the square-leg region

END OF OVER:

8 | 13 Runs 1 Wkt | MI: 71/1 (108 runs required from 12 overs, RR: 8.87, RRR: 9.00)

- JC Buttler28 (19b)
- N Rana5 (2b)
- Kuldeep Yadav2-0-18-1
- SP Narine2-0-16-0

Ankit Rajpoot.

8.1

0

Rajpoot to Buttler, no run, length ball on middle and off, clipped to midwicket

8.2

0

Rajpoot to Buttler, no run, back of a length, sliding down leg. Looks to shuffle across and glance it fine. Only gets a little tickle of pad down to the keeper

8.3

W

Rajpoot to Buttler, **OUT**, low full-toss, a bit of inswing, and Buttler plays across it and misses. Big lbw appeal, and it's given immediately. I wonder if it may have been going down leg. Seemed to strike him in front of leg stump with a fair distance still to travel, with that late swing. Not the greatest decision from Nitin Menon.

JC Buttler lbw b Rajpoot 28 (42m 22b 1x4 2x6) SR: 127.27

Rohit it is.

Looks like they've called for the time-out. Rohit will walk in now, I presume. Shiva Jayaraman, from our stats team, thinks KKR should bring Boult back immediately.

"Rohit has been most susceptible against left-arm pacers at the start of his innings," Shiva says. "They have got him more regularly than any other type - 29 balls per dismissal. His S/R is 71.92 against them. To top it off - Trent Boult had success against him in India. Dismissed him twice in 39 balls and conceded 21 runs."

8.4

0

Rajpoot to Sharma, no run, full on off stump, nearly in the blockhole, clipped to mid-on

Replays make it even clearer that the Buttler lbw was missing leg.

8.5

1

Rajpoot to Sharma, 1 run, shortish close to off stump, gets on his toes to punch to deep point

8.6

0

Rajpoot to Rana, no run, lovely delivery, slanting across the left-hander with a bit of outswing. Rana doesn't move his feet, just pushes at it, and the ball beats his outside edge by a fair distance

END OF OVER:

9 | 1 Run 1 Wkt | MI: 72/2 (107 runs required from 11 overs, RR: 8.00, RRR: 9.72)

- N Rana5 (3b)
- RG Sharma1 (2b)
- AS Rajpoot1-0-1-1
- Kuldeep Yadav2-0-18-1

No Boult, it's still Narine.

9.1

0

Narine to Sharma, no run, short, a bit of width. Turns away and Rohit edges his cut into the ground, to the man at slip

9.2

0

Narine to Sharma, no run, cuts again, another dot ball, this time despite the fielder at backward point fumbling a simple stop. Kuldeep the fielder

9.3

1

Narine to Sharma, 1 run, back of a length outside off, punched to deep point

9.4

1

Narine to Rana, 1 run, length ball on leg stump, clipped away to deep midwicket

9.5

W

Narine to Sharma, **OUT**, a lot of legbreaks this over, and Narine has foxed Rohit with the offbreak. Goes on the back foot and it hurries into him. Big lbw appeal as he plays all around it, given immediately, but CK Nandan shouldn't have. Huge inside-edge on that - two poor lbw decisions in successive overs.

RG Sharma lbw b Narine 2 (6m 6b 0x4 0x6) SR: 33.33

Krunal Pandya is in at No. 5.

9.6

0

Narine to KH Pandya, no run, back of a length, straightens towards off stump. Krunal is stuck on the crease, jams his bat down hurriedly to defend

END OF OVER:

10 | 2 Runs 1 Wkt | MI: 74/3 (105 runs required from 60 balls, RR: 7.40, RRR: 10.50)

- KH Pandya0 (1b)
- N Rana6 (4b)
- SP Narine3-0-18-1
- AS Rajpoot1-0-1-1

10.1

0

Rajpoot to Rana, no run, fullish on off stump, defended with the angle to cover, no real footwork

10.2

0

Rajpoot to Rana, no run, back of a length on middle and off, punched back to the bowler

10.3

1

Rajpoot to Rana, 1 run, full, attacking Rana's feet. He gets his feet out of the way and scoops this in the air, on the bounce, to long-on

10.4

0

Rajpoot to KH Pandya, no run, short, down the leg side. Big appeal for caught behind after Krunal misses the pull. No wide signal from the umpire - that's because it hit him on the hip on the way through

10.5

4

Rajpoot to KH Pandya, **FOUR**, short again, this one's chest high outside off, enough swinging room to pull that to the midwicket boundary

10.6

4

Rajpoot to KH Pandya, **FOUR**, length ball on leg stump. Seems to stop on Pandya, but he goes through with the flick and just clears the leaping fielder at midwicket

END OF OVER:

11 | 9 Runs | MI: 83/3 (96 runs required from 54 balls, RR: 7.54, RRR: 10.66)

- KH Pandya8 (4b)
- N Rana7 (7b)
- AS Rajpoot2-0-10-1
- SP Narine3-0-18-1

KKR have dismissed Rohit for the first time in three innings - after 154 runs.

11.1

0

Kuldeep Yadav to Rana, no run, tossed up on off stump, Rana goes for the reverse-sweep, hits it straight to short third man

11.2

1

Kuldeep Yadav to Rana, 1 run, flighted ball outside off, driven to long-off

11.3

3

Kuldeep Yadav to KH Pandya, 3 runs, shot! back of a length, not too far outside off, lets it come on and uses the pace to dab to the left of the keeper and the right of short third man

11.4

0

Kuldeep Yadav to Rana, no run, flighted and very full outside off, a yorker. Rana tries to force it away through cover, can't connect

11.5

4

Kuldeep Yadav to Rana, **FOUR**, this time he does connect. Some flight again, full and just outside off. In Rana's slot and he slog-sweeps into the gap between deep midwicket and long-on

11.6

6

Kuldeep Yadav to Rana, **SIX**, flight again, and this one's wider outside off, Rana gets a big stride forward and just launches that over extra-cover. Effortlessly done

END OF OVER:

12 | 14 Runs | MI: 97/3 (82 runs required from 48 balls, RR: 8.08, RRR: 10.25)

- N Rana18 (12b)
- KH Pandya11 (5b)
- Kuldeep Yadav3-0-32-1
- AS Rajpoot2-0-10-1

12.1

W

Rajpoot to KH Pandya, **OUT**, back of a length down the leg side. Krunal looks to shuffle across and work it fine, only manages a thin edge through to the keeper

KH Pandya c †Uthappa b Rajpoot 11 (11m 6b 2x4 0x6) SR: 183.33

Kieron Pollard is in now. Mumbai need 82 off 47.

Aarkesh: "In the early goings, KKR and SRH looking the most balanced outfits. Overseas players spread across departments. Mystery spin, solid top orders, explosive middle orders." -- Fair observation, but early form usually counts for very little in the IPL.

12.2

0

Rajpoot to Pollard, no run, big lbw appeal first ball. Not given. Looks like he got the ball to tail in again. Pollard played across his front pad and missed. Height seemed to be the issue there

12.3

2

Rajpoot to Pollard, 2 runs, back of a length on off stump, clipped away to the left of long leg

12.4

6

Rajpoot to Pollard, **SIX**, short outside off, and Pollard will feast on these chest-high offerings. Swivels and pulls hard and flat over the midwicket boundary. Super shot. Short balls need to get up around shoulder or head high to test Pollard

12.5

0

Rajpoot to Pollard, no run, slower ball, full outside off, jabbed to point

12.6

0

Rajpoot to Pollard, no run, full outside off, nearly in the blockhole, again a bit of shape in. Pollard looks to stay next to the line of the ball and slice behind point with an open face, but can't put bat to ball

END OF OVER:

13 | 8 Runs 1 Wkt | MI: 105/4 (74 runs required from 42 balls, RR: 8.07, RRR: 10.57)

- KA Pollard8 (5b)
- N Rana18 (12b)
- AS Rajpoot3-0-18-2
- Kuldeep Yadav3-0-32-1

Kuldeep continues.

13.1

1

Kuldeep Yadav to Rana, 1 run, flighted ball outside off, swept hard to deep square leg

Pollard averages 30.56 in the last eight overs in IPL cricket, at a S/R of 161.89. A big delay as Pollard takes forever to mark his guard.

13.2

0

Kuldeep Yadav to Pollard, no run, back of a length close to off stump, punched firmly back to the bowler slip in place, by the way.

13.3

0

Kuldeep Yadav to Pollard, no run, Googly, Pollard didn't seem to pick it. Read it off the pitch and defended from the crease, with soft hands

13.4

0

Kuldeep Yadav to Pollard, no run, pitches the googly fuller and wider, looking to induce the edge to slip. Pokes hesitantly into the point region, sets off, and is slow to turn, but makes it back safely enough. Throw to the keeper is wide, on the bounce, and Uthappa doesn't collect cleanly

13.5

2

Kuldeep Yadav to Pollard, 2 runs, another googly, but this was short, and he goes back to whip to deep midwicket, who misfields to allow a second

13.6

0

Kuldeep Yadav to Pollard, no run, stock ball this time, turning in towards middle stump. Pollard plays from the crease, defends it. Didn't seem to read it out of the hand again

END OF OVER:

14 | 3 Runs | MI: 108/4 (71 runs required from 36 balls, RR: 7.71, RRR: 11.83)

- KA Pollard10 (10b)
- N Rana19 (13b)
- Kuldeep Yadav4-0-35-1
- AS Rajpoot3-0-18-2

Woakes returns.

14.1

1

Woakes to Rana, 1 run, length ball on middle and leg, clipped away through midwicket

Exactly two a ball required now.

14.2

4

Woakes to Pollard, **FOUR**, they'll get four this ball. Short, angling into Pollard, rising fairly steeply and cramping him. He swivels quickly, though, and pulls fine - fine leg is too square to be able to cut it off

14.3

1

Woakes to Pollard, 1 run, back of a length on middle and off, punched to long-on

That single brought up 2000 IPL runs for Pollard.

14.4

0

Woakes to Rana, no run, gone! Or is it? How did it carry that far off the thigh pad? Shortish ball at the body, looks to pull, and it lobs up to the fielder at short fine leg. Not much of an appeal from KKR, and yeah, it's off the thigh pad

14.5

1

Woakes to Rana, 1 run, goes deep in his crease to manufacture length, get under this full ball. Can't get under enough to get the elevation he'd like with that hit - which is good for him, because his shot isn't timed all that well and it bounces well short of long-on.

14.6

0

Woakes to Pollard, no run, back of a length outside off. Looks to make room and carve over the covers, misses

END OF OVER:

15 | 7 Runs | MI: 115/4 (64 runs required from 30 balls, RR: 7.66, RRR: 12.80)

- KA Pollard15 (13b)
- N Rana21 (16b)
- CR Woakes3-0-23-0
- Kuldeep Yadav4-0-35-1

Narine has one over left, and he'll bowl it now. Pollard v Narine in the IPL - 27 runs off 23 balls (SR of 117.39), 0 dismissals.

15.1

1

Narine to Rana, 1 run, back of a length, pitching outside leg and turning towards leg stump. Rana flicks to deep midwicket

15.2

1

Narine to Pollard, 1 run, down the track, gets to the pitch of this flighted ball and drives to long-on

15.3

1

Narine to Rana, 1 run, tossed up on middle and off, looks for the big sweep, drags it squarer than he'd like and Woakes running in from deep square leg and diving forward, can't get close to it. It bounces a couple of feet from him and hits him on the chest

15.4

0

Narine to Pollard, no run, down the track again, doesn't get close to this offbreak. Flicks hard at it, and it rolls down to short fine leg and nearly undoes the fielder with sharp turn off the outfield. Was spinning away to Suryakumar's left and he did well to stop it

15.5

1

Narine to Pollard, 1 run, down the track again, gets close to the pitch and clips to deep midwicket

15.6

0

Narine to Rana, no run, ends his spell with a dot ball. Offbreak, tossed up slower. Rana goes for the slog-sweep and misses, and the ball doesn't miss off stump by much

4-0-22-1 from Narine. It leaves Mumbai needing 60 from the last four overs.

END OF OVER:

16 | 4 Runs | MI: 119/4 (60 runs required from 24 balls, RR: 7.43, RRR: 15.00)

- N Rana23 (19b)
- KA Pollard17 (16b)
- SP Narine4-0-22-1
- CR Woakes3-0-23-0

Vardhan: "Is it just me or anyone else thought about it already. When the crr, rrr n bowlers economy is measured per 6 balls why is batsman's strike rate measured per 100 balls, it makes sense to do it per 6 balls too. It is easy to compare" -- Especially in T20, where no batsman faces anywhere near 100 balls - though a denominator of 120 might help, extrapolating a batsman's strike rate to the length of a completed T20 team innings.

16.1

W

Woakes to Pollard, **OUT**, big wicket, and is that the match? Wide short ball from Woakes, banged in to get some bounce on it. He has third man back, and Pollard goes for the cut and ends up slicing underneath, up in the air and straight to the fielder

KA Pollard c sub (R Dhawan) b Woakes 17 (22m 17b 1x4 1x6) SR: 100.00

16.2

1

Woakes to Rana, 1 run, down the track, making some room. Woakes bangs it short again, angling across the left-hander. Looks to slap over cover, ends up slicing on the bounce to third man

Hardik Pandya is on strike now.

16.3

1

Woakes to HH Pandya, 1 run, short, a bit of width. Has to jump to get on top of the bounce, chops it to the left of cover

16.4

4

Woakes to Rana, **FOUR**, shot. Manufactures the length with a big step back, deep into his crease. Shortens Woakes' length, clears his front leg, and flat-bats over cover

16.5

1

Woakes to Rana, 1 run, **missed run-out**. Again that step back, and Woakes retaliates with a slower ball, fuller. Slaps it to mid-off, and has to run a greater distance because of that back-foot step. The throw to Woakes is on the bounce, and he fumbles it. Ends up breaking the stumps with just his hands, with Rana well short of his crease. Did well to rush back to the stumps, though, Woakes.

16.6

4

Woakes to HH Pandya, **FOUR**, short, wide, and this time Hardik puts it away with a rasping square-cut. Just bullets to the point boundary

END OF OVER:

17 | 11 Runs 1 Wkt | MI: 130/5 (49 runs required from 18 balls, RR: 7.64, RRR: 16.33)

- HH Pandya5 (2b)
- N Rana29 (22b)
- CR Woakes4-0-34-1
- SP Narine4-0-22-1

Boult. He has two overs left. That's 18 and 20.

17.1

11b

Boult to Rana, 1 leg bye, full-toss, thigh-high, angling down leg. Looks to swat it away and only manages to get thigh pad on it

17.2

1

Boult to HH Pandya, 1 run, slower ball, back of a length on the stumps. Looks to pull and only manages to squeeze it away through backward square leg off the inside half of the bat

17.3

4

Boult to Rana, **FOUR**, low full-toss wide of off stump, and he's found the gap very well. Just angles his bat face to thread it to the left of backward point and the right of third man

17.4

6

Boult to Rana, **SIX**, another full-toss, on the pads this time, and Rana has just flicked that for six over backward square leg! Super timing on that

Third man comes up, fine leg goes back.

17.5

1

Boult to Rana, 1 run, slower length ball outside off, slogged away, along the ground, to deep midwicket Around the wicket to Hardik.

17.6

6

Boult to HH Pandya, **SIX**, what a six-hitter this man is. Short, angling into the body, and he simply clears his front leg and clears the wide long-on boundary with a flat pull. Wow

END OF OVER:

18 | 19 Runs | MI: 149/5 (30 runs required from 12 balls, RR: 8.27, RRR: 15.00)

- HH Pandya12 (4b)
- N Rana40 (26b)
- TA Boult3-0-37-0
- CR Woakes4-0-34-1

Well, well. 19 off that over. Mumbai need 30 from two overs now. Gambhir is off the field, by the way. Suryakumar is their vice-captain, so I assume he's captaining now.

Before today, Boult has bowled the 18th over thrice in his IPL career. Gone for 36 and got two wickets.

Here's Rajpoot.

18.1

6

Rajpoot to Rana, **SIX**, another six! This time it's Rana. Full-toss on the stumps and he shuffles across to the off side, exposes his stumps, and scoops the ball fine, to the right of the keeper, and gets it to carry all the way

18.2

4

Rajpoot to Rana, **FOUR**, another full-toss. Are KKR struggling with dew? Similar line and a little higher than the previous ball, and this time he moves leg-side of the ball and scoops it over mid-off to bring up his fifty

18.3

1w

Rajpoot to Rana, 1 wide, gets the yorker right, but his line is wrong, a fair way down the leg side.

Both fine leg and third man are in the circle. He can't bowl short.

18.3

W

Rajpoot to Rana, **OUT**, he goes full, on the stumps, and he gets his man. Looks to make room, Rana, and slices it to point. Hits it well, too well, straight into Narine's hands at shoulder height

N Rana c Narine b Rajpoot 50 (61m 29b 5x4 3x6) SR: 172.41

Nineteen runs, nine balls, and the new man is Harbhajan Singh.

18.4

1

Rajpoot to Harbhajan Singh, 1 run, yorker on off stump, and that's the shot Harbhajan played to win the Chennai Test in 2001. Jams down with an open face to dab it behind point. He got a two then, only a single this time

18.5

6

Rajpoot to HH Pandya, **SIX**, another full-toss, angling into the stumps, and Hardik has clobbered it. Clears his front leg again, and swings it away, cleanly, over the midwicket boundary

18.6

1

Rajpoot to HH Pandya, 1 run, slower length ball on middle and leg, the legcutter. Plays with a straight bat, pushes to long-on to retain strike

END OF OVER:

19 | 19 Runs 1 Wkt | MI: 168/6 (11 runs required from 6 balls, RR: 8.84, RRR: 11.00)

- HH Pandya19 (6b)
- Harbhajan Singh1 (1b)
- AS Rajpoot4-0-37-3
- TA Boult3-0-37-0

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Rajpoot went for 19. Boult went for 19 in his third over. He will now try and defend 11.

19.1

2lb

Boult to HH Pandya, 2 leg byes, full, down the leg side. Looks to swipe it away through square leg, only gets pad on it, rolls down towards fine leg and they scamper two

19.2

4

Boult to HH Pandya, **FOUR**, full-toss again, and Suryakumar has fumbled on the long-on boundary! The simplest of stops, and it slips through his fingers and rolls over the rope. Extra pace meant Hardik couldn't get the elevation he wanted on this, just hit it hard along the ground to long-on

19.3

0

Boult to HH Pandya, no run, bouncer, that's a very accurate bouncer at a pressure moment - rising towards Hardik's head. He does well to sway out of the way

19.4

2

Boult to HH Pandya, 2 runs, **dropped!** Another bouncer, Hardik has to fetch this pull from over his right shoulder, ends up top-edging. Rishi Dhawan, the deep square leg fielder, runs in, stops, slips momentarily on the dewy turf, and has to dive to complete the catch but can't get near it

19.5

4

Boult to HH Pandya, **FOUR**, a four to win it! back of a length, at the hip, and fine leg was to square to stop this. Does well to swat it away really fine, and a despairing dive from Rajpoot can't stop Mumbai from winning this

12.10am That concludes our coverage from tonight. Hope you've had a good weekend. Just one game tomorrow - Kings XI Punjab v Royal Challengers Bangalore. We'll see you there. Good night.

And after running away with the game, Rana runs away from the presentation too. Show me a better example of letting the bat do the talking.

Nitish Rana is the Man of the Match.

Rohit Sharma: Winning the game was important. We're known for this - we keep people on their toes. Very happy with this win. Here at Wankhede, we back our players to get the runs with the dew coming in and the flat pitch. We were hoping Rana and Hardik would finish it off and they did. It's important for any team to have young players come in like that and finish the job. I hope they repeat it. There's still room for improvement. We don't want to be in the back seat. We know the things we didn't do well today and we'll go back to the drawing board before our next game.

Gautam Gambhir: "We put a good score on the board in the last three overs. But Hardik and Rana played unbelievable innings. If we'd taken Hardik's catch, anything might have happened. We back our bowlers to do the job. Woakes and Boult are experienced too. It's just a matter of keeping our nerves calm. We panicked a little in the end with the misfield and the dropped catch. It's a good chasing ground - you could chase anything. There was a bit of dew on the ground that didn't make it easy for spinners either, but we needed to hold our nerves in the end. I have no update on Lynn, haven't heard from the physio yet."

11.49pm You'll have to feel for Knight Riders, who had to deal with the dramatic onset of dew late in the match. But then again, Mumbai had plenty of bad luck to overcome, with two of their best batsmen out to poor lbw decisions. In the end, Mumbai sneak this with some terrific late hitting from Rana and Hardik Pandya.