Dinesh Karthik officially announces retirement from all forms of cricket

Dinesh Karthik, India's wicketkeeper-batsman, has officially declared his retirement from all forms of cricket effective after 20 years of service.



Key Points

- At the age of 19, he made his national debut in a One-Day International against England at Lord's.
- Karthik finishes his 401 T20 outings with 7407 runs, including 34 half-centuries, at a strike rate of over 137.
- Karthik represented six different IPL organizations during the course of his 17-year career.
- He began his career with the Delhi Daredevils (now Delhi Capitals) in 2008 and later moved on to the Kings XI Punjab (now Punjab Kings) in 2011, the Mumbai Indians in 2012-13, the Gujarat Lions in 2016-17, the Kolkata Knight Riders in 2018-21, and the RCB in 2015, 2022-present.

About Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI):

- **President** – Roger Binny
- **Secretary** – Jay Shah
- **Headquarters** – Mumbai, Maharashtra
- **Established** – 1928

India's 1st UN Woman Permanent Representative Ruchira Kamboj Retires

Ambassador Ruchira Kamboj, India's first woman Permanent Representative (PR) to the United Nations (UN), has retired after more than 35 years of meritorious service.



From August 2022 to June 2024, she was India's Permanent Representative to the United Nations in New York, United States of America (USA).

Key Points

- Ruchira Kamboj is an Indian Foreign Service (IFS) Officer from the 1987 batch. She began her diplomatic career as the third secretary in India's Embassy in France (1989–1991).
- She worked as an Under Secretary in the Europe West Division of India's Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) from 1991 to 1996.
- From 1996 until 1999, she worked as the Indian High Commission's 1st Secretary (Economic and Commercial) and Head of Chancery in Port Louis, Mauritius.

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- She worked as a Counsellor at India's Permanent Mission to the United Nations from 2002 to 2005, and as India's Consul General in South Africa from 2006 to 2009.
- She also served as Ambassador to the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) from 2014 till 2017.
- In 2019, she was appointed as the 18th Ambassador of India to Bhutan and became the 1st woman diplomat to hold the post.

About UN

- **Founded:** 24 October 1945, San Francisco, California, United States
- **Headquarters**: New York
- "United Nations", coined by United States President Franklin D. Roosevelt.
- **President**- Dennis Francis

India's Tanvi Sharma won Women's' Singles Title at Yonex Bonn International 2024

Tanvi Sharma (15), an Indian shuttler, defeated Wang Pei Yu of Chinese Taipei to win the Women's Singles title at the Yonex Bonn International 2024.



Key Points

- Yonex Bonn International 2024, a Badminton World Federation (BWF) Future Series Event, took place from May 29th to June 1st, 2024 in Bonn, Germany.
- Cheng Kai of Chinese Taipei won the Men's Singles championship, defeating Gustav Bjorkler of Sweden.

Category	Winner	Runner-Up
Men's Singles	Cheng Kai (Chinese Taipei)	Gustav Bjorkler (Sweden)
Women's Singles	Tanvi Sharma (India)	Wang Pei Yu (Chinese Taipei)
Men's Doubles	Cheng Kai and Wei Cheng Su (Chinese Taipei)	Noah Hasse and Dyon van Wijlick (Netherlands)
Women's Doubles	Yasemen Bektas and Zehra Erdem (Türkiye)	Yi En Hsieh and Ruo Hsuan Ko (Chinese Taipei)
Mixed Doubles	Alden Lefilson Putra Mainaky and Fitriani Fitriani (Indonesia)	Emren Sonmez and Yasemen Bektas (Türkiye)

In Indore, BJP MP Lalwani wins by record margin on over 10 lakhs

The Indore Lok Sabha seat in Madhya Pradesh has set two unique record this Lok Sabha election. As results pour in, the Bharatiya Janata Party candidate Shankar Lalwani secured a victory with a record margin of 10,08,077.



Key Points

- BJP's sitting MP from Indore Shankar Lalwani won and managed to get 12,26,751 votes. He defeated Bahujan Samaj Party's Sanjay Solanki who got 51,659 seats.
- But in a unique record, No. 2 position was secured by **'None of the above' (NOTA) with 2,18,674 votes.** A total of 14.01 per cent voters opted for this option.
- In the 2019 parliamentary polls, voters in Bihar's Gopalganj had created a record with 51,660 of them, or five per cent, opting for the NOTA option, which is placed as the last option on the electronic voting machine.
- In 2014, NOTA polled 46,559 votes in the Nilgiris in Tamil Nadu by pocketing nearly five per cent of votes.
- In Indore, the Congress candidate Akshay Kanti Bam had withdrew his nomination on April 29, on the last date for the withdrawal of nominations. He later joined the BJP.
- In the 2019 Lok Sabha polls, Indore recorded a 69 per cent turnout with 5,045 voters opting for NOTA.

About Madhya Pradesh

- **Founded:** 1 November 1956
- **Area:** 308,000 km²
- **Capital:** Bhopal
- **Governor**: Mangubhai C. Patel
- **Chief Minister:** Mohan Yadav (BJP)
- **Deputy chief minister**: Jagdish Devda (BJP), Rajendra Shukla (BJP)

Shivraj Chouhan Wins From Vidisha In Madhya Pradesh By Over 8 Lakh Votes

BJP leader Shivraj Singh Chouhan won from Vidisha Lok Sabha constituency in Madhya Pradesh by a whopping 8,21,408 votes, defeating his nearest Congress rival Pratap Bhanu Sharma.



Key Points

- The former MP chief minister polled 11,16,460 votes while Congress' Pratap Bhanu Sharma, a two-time parliamentarian, managed to get 2,95,052 votes.

- This was Mr Chouhan's sixth victory from Vidisha, once represented by BJP stalwarts like former prime minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee (1991), Sushma Swaraj (2009 and 2014) and Ramnath Goenka (1971).
- The former CM, who is currently the MLA from Budhni in Sehore district, also said that under Modi's leadership, he will transform Vidisha into an ideal parliamentary constituency.

Seats falling under the Vidisha constituency include Bhojpur, Vidisha, Basoda, Budhni, Ichhawar, Khategaon, Sanchi, and Silwani.

Important Daily Current Affairs Question

1. Who was India's first Woman Permanent Representative(PR) to the United Nations (UN)?

a) Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit
b) Indira Gandhi
c) Sarojini Naidu
d) Ruchira Kamboj

Answer- (d)

2. Which Indian cricketer officially announces retirement from all forms of cricket?

a) Robin Uthappa
b) Dinesh Kartik
c) Suresh Raina
d) Kedhar Jadhav

Answer- (b)

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