



MUMBAI INDIANS

2-4 • 7th • NRR +0.067



CHENNAI SUPER KINGS

2-4 • 8th • NRR -0.780

WANKHEDE STADIUM, MUMBAI • THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 2026 • 7:30 PM IST

Booth Read THE STORYLINE IN 12 BEATS

1 FORTY MEETINGS	Two five-time champions meet for the 40th time, Mumbai leading 21-18 after winning last year's clash by nine wickets. They have split four finals, Chennai taking 2010 and Mumbai the next three, so the league's defining rivalry resumes at 7th against 8th.
2 FOUR-POINT SWING	Both sit on four points , Mumbai 7th on a net run rate of plus 0.067 and Chennai 8th on minus 0.780, with only the top four qualifying. A win lifts the victor to six points; the loser is left treading water.
3 NINETY-NINE SPARK	Mumbai arrive 2-4, their campaign defined by a 99-run rout of Gujarat Titans, the only win in five and the biggest margin of their season. Four straight defeats came before it, so the booth must ask whether that blowout was the turn.
4 HOME WINS ONLY	Chennai reach 2-4 through two home wins, by 23 over Delhi and 32 over Kolkata, with both away trips lost, the latest by 10 at Sunrisers Hyderabad. A net run rate of minus 0.780 shows how narrow the margin for error now is.
5 TILAK'S TEMPO	Tilak Varma is Mumbai's in-form stroke-maker, 144 runs at a strike rate of 187 with a 101 this season. In a middle order where Suryakumar Yadav averages just 20.2, Tilak's tempo is the one Chennai must contain.
6 SAMSON ROLLING	Sanju Samson is the form bat here, 192 runs at a strike rate of 174.5 , the most of any player in this match, with a 115 inside it. Chennai's 2-4 record shows those runs have not converted, so tonight he must set the tone.
7 PACE LEAK	Mumbai leak through their pace attack, which concedes 10.74 an over, the worst pace figure in this match and nearly a run above the league's 9.82. Hardik Pandya's 11.69 economy is the drag, and Chennai's middle order will target it.
8 DEATH-OVER LEAK	Chennai's clear leak is the death, where they concede 11.37 an over, over a run above the league's 10.11 and the costliest phase in this match. If Mumbai's finishers reach overs 16 to 20, Chennai have no obvious answer.
9 CHASE AT WANKHEDE	Wankhede has favoured the chase, the side batting second winning 71 of 128 matches, while captains have chosen to field 98 times against 30. Pre-toss, expect the winner to insert the opposition and hunt a total.
10 SAMSON V BUMRAH	The duel is Sanju Samson against Jasprit Bumrah: 64 runs from 60 balls but two dismissals, a strike rate of only 106.7 . Bumrah's 8.14 economy against Chennai's reliance on Samson makes this the passage that decides the match.
11 DUBE'S TWO THOUSAND	Shivam Dube needs 18 runs to reach 2,000 in the IPL, sitting on 1,982 from 84 matches. A compact career milestone for a specialist middle-order hitter, it is within reach in a single innings tonight.
12 QUIET LEADER	Quietly, Naman Dhir leads Mumbai with 154 runs at a strike rate of 152.5 , more than Suryakumar Yadav, Quinton de Kock or Tilak Varma. The unheralded top-order bat is the platform man Chennai's new-ball plans must smother.

Key numbers BEFORE FIRST BALL • THROUGH MATCH 32

21-18 HEAD TO HEAD MI first · meeting No. 40	7th MI IN THE TABLE 2-4 · 4 pts · NRR +0.067	8th CSK IN THE TABLE 2-4 · 4 pts · NRR -0.780	LLLLW MI LAST 5 oldest to latest	LLWWL CSK LAST 5 oldest to latest	5-5 IPL TITLES MI first
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Probable XIs BATTING ORDER FROM EACH SIDE'S LAST MATCH • PRONUNCIATIONS WHERE SOURCED • CARD PAGE

MUMBAI INDIANS • PROBABLE XI	from MI v GT, Match 30	CHENNAI SUPER KINGS • PROBABLE XI	from CSK v SRH, Match 27
1 Quinton de Kock	p.11	1 Sanju Samson	p.16
2 Danish Malewar	p.11	2 Ruturaj Gaikwad	p.16
3 Naman Dhir	p.11	3 Ayush Mhatre IMPACT	p.16
4 Suryakumar Yadav	p.12	4 Matt Short	p.17
5 Tilak Varma	p.12	5 Sarfaraz Khan	p.17
6 Hardik Pandya	p.13	6 Dewald Brevis DAY-yuhld BREV-iss	p.17
7 Sherfane Rutherford	p.12	7 Shivam Dube SHIV-um DOOB	p.18
8 Mitch Santner	p.13	8 Jamie Overton	p.18
9 Krish Bhagat	p.14	9 Anshul Kamboj	p.18
10 Jasprit Bumrah	p.14	10 Noor Ahmad	p.19
11 AM Ghazanfar	p.14	11 Mukesh Choudhary	p.19
12 Ashwani Kumar IMPACT	p.15	12 Gurjapneet Singh	p.19

Officials, coaches & captains

MATCH OFFICIALS

ON-FIELD: Parashar Joshi and Adrian Holdstock
THIRD UMPIRE: KN Ananthapadmanabhan
MATCH REFEREE: Prakash Bhatt

HEAD COACHES

Mahela Jayawardene
Stephen Fleming

CAPTAINS

Hardik Pandya
Ruturaj Gaikwad

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Booth Read		THE POINT · THE NUMBER · WHAT IT MEANS TONIGHT
1	RUN-FEST GROUND	Wankhede's first innings have exploded this season, averaging 218 across the three matches here against 191 since 2023. The chase still edges those games two to one, so the side batting first must post a monster to beat the ground's bias.
2	THE NUMBER TO KNOW	The figure to keep ready is 218 , Wankhede's average first innings through three games this season, against 187 across the league and 191 here since 2023. That 31-run gap above the league says batters, not bowlers, own this ground.
3	SETTING BAR TONIGHT	If they bat first tonight, the bar is 240 , the only first innings defended here this season, because both the 220 and the 195 posted at this ground were chased. Set below that and the setting side carries all the pressure.
4	FIELD-FIRST FALLACY	The toss consensus barely pays: in 2026 captains have fielded first 28 times in 32 matches and won just 16 . Here since 2023 they have fielded 23 times and won 13, so inserting is the popular call, not a guaranteed edge.
5	KAMBOJ STRIKES	Chennai's wicket weapon is Anshul Kamboj , whose 13 wickets in 130 balls means a scalp every 10 deliveries at 9.74 an over. Two more reach 25 in the IPL, and a Mumbai chase built on wickets in hand must survive him.
6	FIRST SIX OVERS	Call the powerplay, overs 1 to 6: Mumbai concede 10.69 an over there, their costliest phase, while Chennai bat at 161.1 , their best. Chennai's openers will hunt a fast start against Mumbai's softest passage, so the first six overs could settle this.

If they bat first · if they chase

PRE-TOSS SCENARIOS, SEASON TO DATE

MUMBAI INDIANS		season record, full innings	CHENNAI SUPER KINGS		season record, full innings
1-2	BATTING FIRST	avg total 185	1-2	CHASING	best chase 220
▶ IF MUMBAI SET Batting first, Mumbai are 1-2 at an average of 185 with a lowest defended total of 199 , and the only first innings held here this season was 240. Anything under 200 and Wankhede's chase bias, 14 wins in 24 since 2023, hunts them.			▶ IF CHENNAI SET Batting first, Chennai are 2-2 at an average of 185 and have defended as little as 192 , both wins coming at home. Here the only first innings that has won this season was 240, more than fifty runs above Chennai's setting average.		
▶ IF MUMBAI CHASE Chasing, Mumbai are 1-2 but have already reeled in a 220 target, well above the league's 187 average first innings. Two of three chases have succeeded at this ground this season, so a target near 200 sits comfortably in their range.			▶ IF CHENNAI CHASE Chennai have chased twice this season and lost both, no target hunted down, on a ground where the side batting second has won 14 of 24 since 2023. Their middle overs run at a 138 strike rate, the slowest phase either side owns.		

Season side by side

2026 · LEAGUE RANK IN SUPERScript · SHADED = THE BETTER SIDE

BATTING	MI	CSK	LEAGUE	BOWLING	MI	CSK	LEAGUE
Run rate	10.20 ^{4th}	9.48 ^{6th}	9.71	Economy	10.56 ^{10th}	10.20 ^{9th}	9.71
Avg 1st-inns total	185 ^{5th}	185 ^{6th}	188	Wickets / inn	4.7 ^{10th}	6.0 ^{6th}	6.3
Wickets lost / inn	5.8 ^{4th}	6.5 ^{T-7th}	6.3	Boundary % conceded	25.5 ^{10th}	22.9 ^{9th}	21.7
Boundary %	23.6 ^{3rd}	20.7 ^{6th}	21.7	Dot %	31.5 ^{5th}	31.0 ^{6th}	32.4
Dot %	30.0 ^{3rd}	33.2 ^{5th}	32.4	Runs per wicket	22.6 ^{9th}	19.0 ^{5th}	19.0
Sixes / match	9.7 ^{4th}	7.5 ^{7th}	8.8	200+ totals conceded	2 ^{T-2nd}	2 ^{T-2nd}	2.4 per side
200+ totals made	2 ^{T-5th}	3 ^{T-3rd}	2.4 per side				

The toss at this ground

WANKHEDE STADIUM

WINDOW	MATCHES	SET-CHASE WINS	AVG 1ST INNS	TOSS: FIELD / WON
Here since 2023	24	10-14	191	23 / 13
Here 2026	3	1-2	218	3 / 2
All grounds 2026	32	14-18	187	28 / 16

Toss column: times the toss winner chose to field, then times the toss winner won the match.

One number each

ONE NUMBER · MI	ONE NUMBER · CSK
▶ One number sums up how Mumbai win: a 191.7 strike rate at the death, the best phase in this match and 44 clear of Chennai's 147.7. If Mumbai's finishers are there in overs 16 to 20, they can take the game away late.	▶ One number sums up how Chennai win: a middle-overs economy of 9.36 , the best phase in this match, built on 16 wickets between overs 7 and 15. Squeeze the middle and Chennai's chase problems stop mattering.

MATCHUP - RIVALRY & HEAD TO HEAD

Mumbai Indians vs. Chennai Super Kings • Match 33 • Wankhede Stadium • Thursday, April 23, 2026 • Pre-toss: predicted XIs • Through Match 32

Head-to-head ledger

39 MEETINGS, 2008-2025

W-L, MI first • avg winning margin: r = runs (setting), w = wickets (chasing)

21

Mumbai Indians
21 WINS • HOME WANKHEDE

HEAD-TO-HEAD • ALL IPL

39 meetings
MI lead 21-18 • first met Apr 23, 2008
Tonight: meeting No. 40

Chennai Super Kings

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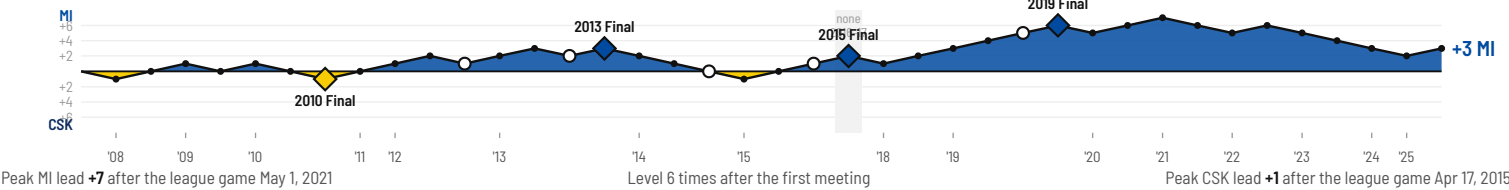
18 WINS • HOME CHEPAUK

AT WANKHEDE MI home • 13 m	AT CHEPAUK CSK home • 9 m	OTHER VENUES 12 cities • 17 m	PLAYOFFS all rounds • 9 m	FINALS 2010, 2013, 2015, 2019	SINCE 2023 Impact Player era • 5 m	LAST 10 since 2020
8-5 MI LEAD MI 32r • 6.2w CSK 20r • 4.5w	5-4 MI LEAD MI 28r • 6.7w CSK 15r • 5.0w	8-9 CSK LEAD MI 21r • 6.8w CSK 32r • 5.8w	5-4 MI LEAD MI 22r • 6.0w CSK 36r • 7.0w	3-1 MI LEAD MI 22r CSK 22r	1-4 CSK LEAD MI 9.0w CSK 20r • 5.7w	4-6 CSK LEAD MI 7.0w CSK 20r • 5.0w

LAST 10 OLDEST →	MI 10w '20 • Sharjah	MI 4w '21 • Delhi	CSK 20r '21 • Dubai	CSK 3w '22 • DY Patil	MI 5w '22 • Wankhede	CSK 7w '23 • Wankhede	CSK 6w '23 • Chepauk	CSK 20r '24 • Wankhede	CSK 4w '25 • Chepauk	MI 9w '25 • Wankhede
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RUNNING MARGIN

+1 each MI win, -1 each CSK win • all 39 meetings • ♦ final ○ playoff



Matchup read

THE BOOTH'S READ ON TONIGHT

every figure from ipfinal before first ball

- 1

CHENNAI'S RECENT GRIP. Mumbai's 21-18 all-time lead is on the cover, but the recent era belongs to Chennai, who have taken six of the last ten meetings and both 2023 games. Wankhede is the stage where Mumbai must interrupt a rivalry that has tilted south over five years.
- 2

WANKHEDE CHASE BIAS. Chasing sides have won 8 of the 13 meetings here, so the toss winner will likely field. Whoever is asked to set must clear the 157.3 average first-innings total of the last 10 meetings, while the side chasing gets the venue's preferred route.
- 3

MIDDLE OVERS DECIDE. The side that outscored the other through the middle won 8 of the last 10 meetings, and 2026 shows Mumbai batting that phase at 158.3 against Chennai's 138.0. Whoever controls overs 7 to 15, with bat or ball, likely controls tonight.
- 4

SHARED FOES FAVOUR CHENNAI. Against the five opponents both sides have faced, Chennai are 2-3 and 10 runs to the good in aggregate, while Mumbai are 1-4 and 46 in the red. Chennai's two wins both came defending a first-innings total; Mumbai's lone shared-opponent win came chasing.
- 5

GAIKWAD PUNISHES MUMBAI. Ruturaj Gaikwad has made 291 runs off 192 balls against Mumbai at a strike rate of 151.6 and an average of 41.6, the fastest scoring of any batter in either probable XI against this opponent. His powerplay platform gives Chennai the start their set-or-chase plan depends on.
- 6

BUMRAH CAGES SAMSON. Sanju Samson has managed 64 off 61 balls against Jasprit Bumrah at a strike rate of 104.9, with 28 dot balls in the matchup. With roughly four projected balls between them early, surviving Bumrah is the opening task for the CSK wicketkeeper and the trigger for Chennai's middle order.
- 7

LEFT-ARM LOAD FOR MUMBAI. Chennai can field a left-arm-heavy attack through Noor Ahmad's wrist spin and the left-arm quicks Mukesh Choudhary and Gurjapneet Singh, and Mumbai's left-hand top order must answer: Quinton de Kock strikes at 129 against left-arm pace across 393 balls, Tilak Varma at 145 across 128. Both sides carry four overseas, with Corbin Bosch Mumbai's overseas Impact option.
- 8

SANTNER'S OLD CLUB. Mitch Santner spent 2019-24 at Chennai and now bowls his left-arm orthodox against his old side; since leaving he has 1/38 from 31 balls in two meetings, and Chennai's Sarfaraz Khan strikes at only 115 against left-arm orthodox from 66 balls. That matchup is Mumbai's quiet lever.
- 9

MI'S NUMBER 191.7. That is Mumbai's 2026 death-overs strike rate, the fastest phase rate either side has produced, and it is the late threat Chennai's expensive death bowling must contain.
- 10

CSK'S NUMBER 161.1. That is Chennai's 2026 powerplay strike rate from 216 balls, the best opening-phase batting either side owns, and it meets a Mumbai powerplay attack conceding 10.69 an over.

2026 side by side

BOTH SEASONS BEFORE TONIGHT • BALL-BY-BALL

bold = the better side in that phase

BATTING BY PHASE					strike rate • wickets lost per innings				BOWLING BY PHASE				economy • wickets taken per innings		SEASON PROFILE		results and ball usage	
PHASE	MI SR	MI WKTS	CSK SR	CSK WKTS	PHASE	MI ECON	MI WKTS	CSK ECON	CSK WKTS	PHASE	MI	CSK	Record	MI	CSK	Setting / chasing	MI	CSK
Powerplay 1-6	149.5	2.0	161.1	2.2	Powerplay 1-6	10.69	1.7	10.03	1.3	Record	2-4	2-4	Setting / chasing	1-2 / 1-2	2-2 / 0-2	Sixes hit / conceded per game	9.7 / 9.0	7.5 / 10.2
Middle 7-15	158.3	2.3	138.0	2.3	Middle 7-15	10.50	1.8	9.36	2.8	Sixes hit / conceded per game	9.7 / 9.0	7.5 / 10.2	Dot % batting / bowling	24.8 / 26.9	27.9 / 25.7			
Death 16-20	191.7	1.8	147.7	2.0	Death 16-20	10.19	1.4	11.37	2.2									
Overall	162.8	5.8	147.3	6.5	Overall	10.52	4.7	10.01	6.0									

How this rivalry is played

BALL-BY-BALL ACROSS EVERY MEETING

phase winner = side that scored more in that phase

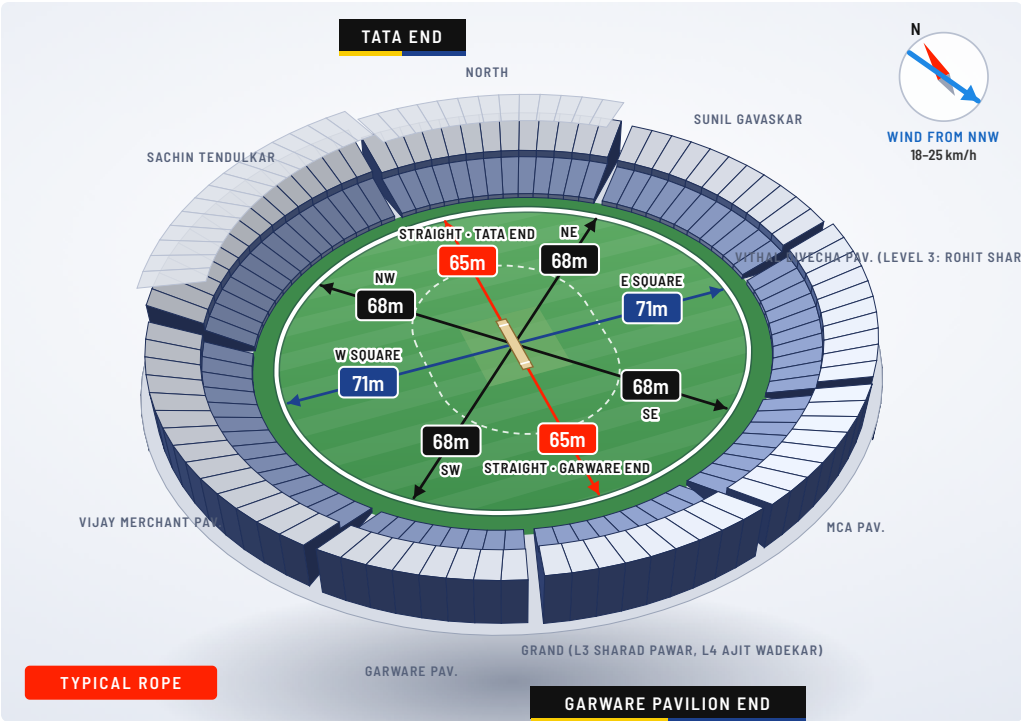
SCORING BY PHASE						run rate and wickets per innings when batting			TOSS, TOTALS AND DISCIPLINE			all 39 meetings	
PHASE	MI RR	MI WKTS	CSK RR	CSK WKTS	PHASE WINNER WON	TOSS WINNER WON		CHOSE TO FIELD		AVG FIRST INNINGS			
ALL 39 MEETINGS						26 of 39		25 times		162			
Powerplay 1-6	7.94	1.3	7.35	1.8	23 of 37	Tosses won: MI 20, CSK 19		won 17 of 25; batting first by choice won 9 of 14		last 10 meetings: 157			
Middle 7-15	7.51	2.4	7.38	2.4	25 of 38								
Death 16-20	10.16	2.5	10.46	1.9	18 of 36								
LAST 10						200+ TOTALS		SIXES PER MEETING		EXTRAS PER MEETING			
Powerplay 1-6	8.35	1.7	7.60	2.2	8 of 10	3 MI 3 CSK		6.4 MI 6.0 CSK		9.6 MI 7.1 CSK			
Middle 7-15	7.67	2.2	7.46	2.4	8 of 10	in 39 meetings		hit by each side		conceded by each side			
Death 16-20	10.46	2.4	11.05	1.2	2 of 8								

2026 v common opponents

THE 5 SIDES BOTH HAVE PLAYED THIS SEASON

OPPONENT	MI RESULT	MI SCORE (SET/CHASE)	CSK RESULT	CSK SCORE (SET/CHASE)
KKR	W 6 wkts	224/4 v 220/4 chase	W 32 runs	192/5 v 160/7 set
DC	L 6 wkts	162/6 v 164/4 set	W 23 runs	212/2 v 189 set
RR	L 27 runs	123/9 v 150/3 chase	L 8 wkts	127 v 128/2 set
RCB	L 18 runs	222/5 v 240/4 chase	L 43 runs	207 v 250/3 chase
PBKS	L 7 wkts	195/6 v 198/3 set	L 5 wkts	209/5 v 210/5 set
Record	1-4		2-3	

Booth Read		THE POINT · THE NUMBER · WHAT IT MEANS TONIGHT
1	HITTING GROUND	Wankhede hands the game to the batters: 19.2 sixes per match since 2023, the third-most of any ground, with 61% struck square of the wicket. Those short square boundaries reward the pull and the cut, so straight bowling is the discipline that matters tonight.
2	DEATH PRICE	The figure to keep ready is 11.31 , the runs per over this ground gives up at the death against the league's 10.80. A phase profile that runs 9.49, 9.24 and 11.31 makes overs 16 to 20 the costliest passage here.
3	TOSS SCENARIO	Pre-toss, the toss sets the size of the job: this ground has averaged 24.3 sixes a match across three games this season, up on its 19.2 since 2023. Bat first and you must post a monster; chase and that hitting helps you.
4	DEW NO-SHOW	The dew that usually speeds up a chase looks unlikely tonight: humidity peaks at 77% against an 80% dew threshold and slides to 69% by eleven. Without that grip, the second innings loses its usual nudge, cutting against the assumption that chasing is easier here.
5	HARDIK'S GROUND	Hardik Pandya is this ground's double threat: 844 runs at a strike rate of 150 plus 37 wickets in 47 games, the only player in either XI contributing heavily both ways here. Suryakumar Yadav's 1,443 runs lead the field, but Hardik is the swing factor.
6	OVERS 16 TO 20	Call the death, overs 16 to 20: 145 sixes have flown at the death across 24 games here since 2023, more than the powerplay's 134 in one more over. With the run rate peaking there, the finish is where this match turns.



HOW IT PLAYS · HERE SINCE 2023	
9.49 POWERPLAY RR league 9.34	9.24 MIDDLE RR league 8.83
11.31 DEATH RR league 10.80	10.09 PACE ECON league 9.71
8.72 SPIN ECON league 8.60	224 HIGHEST CHASED highest 1st 240

Small figure: the league over the same seasons. Rope lengths on the graphic are the typical T20 setting; tonight's strip is named at the toss.

218 Avg 1st-innings score, 2026 3 matches · league 187	24.3 Sixes per match, 2026 league 17.3	14-10 Chase record since 2023 bowl-first calls: 23 of 24	61% Of sixes go square here since 2023 · league 52%
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Tonight		HOURLY FORECAST · GROUND FEATURES TO PLAYERS							
CONDITIONS · HOURLY FORECAST AT THE GROUND							TONIGHT'S FIT · GROUND FEATURES TO PLAYERS		
Hour (IST)	Temp	Humidity	Dew Pt	Spread	Wind km/h	Gust			
7 PM Start 7:30	30°	77%	26°	4.5°	NNW 18	31	▶	SHORT SQUARE BOUNDARY	P.11
							61% of sixes here go square (league 52%). Quinton de Kock hits 71% of his 142 IPL sixes square, 66% on the leg side.		
8 PM 1st inns	30°	76%	26°	4.7°	NNW 20	23	▶	SPIN HAS BEEN CHEAPER HERE	P.13
							Spin 8.72, pace 10.09 since 2023 (2026 has run the other way: spin 11.47, pace 10.99.) Mitch Santner: 9 wickets at an economy of 6.72 in 10 innings at Wankhede.		
9 PM Halfway	30°	71%	24°	5.8°	NNW 25	32	▶	BREEZE DOWN THE STRIP	P.17
							Tonight's NNW wind (18–25 km/h) runs toward the Garware Pavilion End. Dewald Brevis sends 51% of his 35 IPL sixes straight; batting at the Tata End, he has it at his back.		
10 PM 2nd inns	30°	71%	24°	5.8°	NNW 20	32	Six direction: career IPL sixes, minimum 30. Venue bowling: minimum 60 balls at the ground. Probable XIs from each side's last match.		
11 PM Finish	30°	69%	24°	6.4°	N 14	26			
DEW WINDOW Stays under the 80% threshold: humidity peaks at 77% at 7 PM, eases to 71% by 10 PM, and the breeze works against dew. Low risk for the side bowling second.									
PITCH Match 4 on the Wankhede square in 2026 (Mar 29 KKR 220/4, MI 224/4 (19.1 ov) - Apr 12 RCB 240/4, MI 222/5 - Apr 16 MI 195/6, PBKS 198/3 (16.3 ov)). Strip named at the toss; pitch report is post-toss.									

Both clubs here

ALL-TIME AT THIS GROUND

MUMBAI INDIANS

57-38

ALL-TIME

PLAYED

95

2026

1-2

SINCE 2023

14-10

SETTING

26-19

CHASING

31-19

HIGHEST 234/5 v DC, Apr 7, 2024

LOWEST 87 v SRH, Apr 24, 2018

Tonight's XI at Wankhede

Suryakumar Yadav

1,443 runs · SR 165 · 61 sixes · HS 103 · 42 inns

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Hardik Pandya

851 runs · SR 150 · 44 sixes · HS 62 · 37 wkts · econ 9.81 · 48 inns

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Jasprit Bumrah

65 wkts · econ 7.31 · 52 inns

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CHENNAI SUPER KINGS

13-13

ALL-TIME

PLAYED

26

2026

none yet

SINCE 2023

2-1

SETTING

4-7

CHASING

9-6

HIGHEST 220/3 v KKR, Apr 21, 2021

LOWEST 79 v MI, May 5, 2013

Tonight's XI at Wankhede

Sanju Samson

577 runs · SR 147 · 24 sixes · HS 119 · 18 inns

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Ruturaj Gaikwad

316 runs · SR 119 · 12 sixes · HS 69 · 11 inns

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Mukesh Choudhary

3 wkts · econ 7.91 · 3 inns (small sample)

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Head to head at Wankhede Stadium: **MI 8, CSK 5** in 13 matches

Booth Read		THE POINT · THE NUMBER · WHAT IT MEANS TONIGHT
1	SCRIPTED SUBS	The Impact Player is scripted, not reactive: 11 of 12 subs by these two captains this season have been a bowler when batting first and a batter when chasing. Neither team gains surprise from it, so tonight the toss, not the bench, shapes the innings.
2	FIELDS FIRST	Ruturaj Gaikwad has fielded first in all 8 tosses he has won as captain, and won only 2 of them. He is 4-9 chasing in his captaincy career, so his own instinct keeps putting Chennai into the mode they handle worst.
3	CAPTAIN'S LEAK	Hardik Pandya bowls himself in the powerplay in all 5 matches he has bowled, and those 36 balls have gone at 12 an over. It is his biggest bowling block, so the captain's own first spell helps explain Mumbai's early leak.
4	CHASING RECORDS	The duel is the two captains' chasing records: Pandya is 20-16 chasing in his captaincy career while Gaikwad is only 4-9, and both would field first. Pandya is 3-3 against Chennai, Gaikwad 2-0 against Mumbai.
5	IMPACT WINDOW	Watch the moment Mumbai's batter-sub arrives when chasing: Pandya has waited until overs 5 to 13 , and Sherfane Rutherford's 71 not out from 31 balls off the bench is the pick of them. Chennai have subbed a batter on as early as over 2.

Captain record

AS CAPTAIN, BEFORE TONIGHT



MUMBAI INDIANS CAPTAIN

HARDIK PANDYA(C)

IPL-WINNING CAPTAIN, 2022

HEAD COACH Mahela Jayawardene · 2017-22, 2025-26 · 60-53 with MI · titles 2017, 2019, 2020

AS CAPTAIN	M	W-L	WIN %	
IPL career	65	37-28	56.9	MI 2024-26 · GT 2022-23
MI 2024-26	34	15-19	44.1	
GT 2022-23	31	22-9	71.0	
2026	5	2-3	40.0	Missed Apr 4 v DC, Suryakumar Yadav led
vs CSK	6	3-3	50.0	
At Wankhede Stadium	22	12-10	54.5	
Playoffs	7	4-3	57.1	2022 (won final), 2023 (lost final), 2025



CHENNAI SUPER KINGS CAPTAIN

RUTURAJ GAIKWAD(C)

10-15 AS CAPTAIN · 2-0 VS MI

HEAD COACH Stephen Fleming · 2009-15, 2018-26 · 135-108 with CSK · titles 2010, 2011, 2018, 2021, 2023

AS CAPTAIN	M	W-L	WIN %	
IPL career	25	10-15	40.0	CSK 2024-26
2026	6	2-4	33.3	Led all 6
vs MI	2	2-0	100.0	
At Wankhede Stadium	1	1-0	100.0	
Playoffs	-	-	-	No playoff games as captain

Toss

2026 DECISIONS AND RESULTS

TOSSES WON	CHOSE TO FIELD	AFTER FIELDING	LOST THE TOSS	CAREER: FIELDIED
3 of 6 2026	3 of 3 batted 0	1-2 never batted	1-2 opp. fielded 3/3	31 of 38 16-15 after · bat 4-3
IF MI BAT FIRST 1-2 in 2026 · 17-12 as captain		IF MI CHASE 1-2 in 2026 · 20-16 as captain		

TOSSES WON	CHOSE TO FIELD	AFTER FIELDING	LOST THE TOSS	CAREER: FIELDIED
2 of 6 2026	2 of 2 batted 0	0-2 never batted	2-2 opp. fielded 4/4	8 of 8 2-6 after
IF CSK BAT FIRST 2-2 in 2026 · 6-6 as captain		IF CSK CHASE 0-2 in 2026 · 4-9 as captain		

Impact Player

EVERY 2026 SUBSTITUTION

▲ batter in ▲ bowler in · bold = 30+ runs or 3+ wickets

MATCH	IN	OUT	SITUATION · WHEN	SUB DID
W Mar 29 KKR	▲ S Yadav	J Bumrah	CHASE Inn 2 · ov 12	16 (8)
L Apr 4 DC	▲ M Markande	R Sharma	BAT 1ST Inn 2 · after ov 5	2-20-0
L Apr 7 RR	▲ S Rutherford	A Ghazanfar	CHASE Inn 2 · after ov 5	25 (8)
L Apr 12 RCB	▲ S Rutherford	M Markande	CHASE Inn 2 · ov 13	71* (31)
L Apr 16 PBKS	▲ A Ghazanfar	S Yadav	BAT 1ST Inn break	4-31-2
W Apr 20 GT	▲ A Kumar	S Rutherford	BAT 1ST Inn break	4-24-4
Bowler in when batting first (3 of 3: Markande, Ghazanfar, Kumar); Batter in when chasing (3 of 3: Yadav, Rutherford ×2).				

MATCH	IN	OUT	SITUATION · WHEN	SUB DID
L Mar 30 RR	▲ S Khan	A Mhatre	BAT 1ST Inn 1 · ov 4	17 (12)
L Apr 3 PBKS	▲ R Chahar	K Sharma	BAT 1ST Inn break	4-46-0
L Apr 5 RCB	▲ K Sharma	K Ahmed	CHASE Inn 1 · ov 16	6 (3)
W Apr 11 DC	▲ A Hosein	A Mhatre	BAT 1ST Inn break	2-20-0
W Apr 14 KKR	▲ A Hosein	A Mhatre	BAT 1ST Inn break	4-26-1
L Apr 18 SRH	▲ A Mhatre	G Singh	CHASE Inn 2 · ov 2	30 (13)
Bowler in when batting first (3 of 4: Chahar, Hosein ×2); Batter in when chasing (2 of 2: Sharma, Mhatre).				

Tendencies

REPEATABLE HABITS, 75% OR BETTER ON 3+ CHANCES

 MUMBAI INDIANS

- Impact sub by situation: bowler in when batting first (3 of 3); batter in when chasing (3 of 3).
- Pandya has bowled himself in the powerplay in all 5 matches he bowled.

 CHENNAI SUPER KINGS

- Gaikwad has chosen to field in all 8 tosses won as captain, 2-6 after.
- Samson, Gaikwad, Mhatre have batted 1-2-3 in all 6 matches.

Booth Read		THE POINT · THE NUMBER · WHAT IT MEANS TONIGHT
1	POWERPLAY PRICE	Chennai lose 2.2 wickets an innings in the powerplay, the most in the league against 1.7, and have gone three or more down there in three of six innings. They still score 10.67 an over, above the league's 9.92, so a fast start keeps caving in before the middle is set.
2	TOP-TWO SHORTFALL	Chennai's top two make only 26 per cent of the runs off the bat, against a league share of 36. Ten points light at the top, it throws the load onto the middle order, which is why a bright powerplay keeps turning into a middling total.
3	TOSS SPLIT	Batting first Chennai are 2-2 with an average first-innings total of 185 , two under the league's 188; chasing they are 0-2. If they set, 185 is the mark to beat; if they chase, they are still seeking a first success.
4	FREE-RUN QUIRK	Chennai give up the most no-balls in the league at 1.0 a match against 0.4, yet concede the second-fewest wides, 4.2 against 5.7. The free runs come from overstepping, not spraying, so the line stays honest even when the length slips.
5	KHALEEL'S CONTROL	Khaleel Ahmed is Chennai's control at the top, going at 7.85 an over in the powerplay, nearly two below the league's 9.74 and the best economy in their attack. Keep Mumbai quiet in his opening spell and Chennai's soft death overs matter far less.
6	WRIST-SPIN TRAP	Call the wrist-spin overs: Chennai score just 7.00 an over against wrist spin from 108 balls, tenth of ten in the league against 9.46. If Mumbai's wrist spin gets a middle-overs spell, that is where the innings can quietly stall.

CSK Batting2026 · LEAGUE RANK OF 10 IN SUPERScript

FORM

last 5 innings

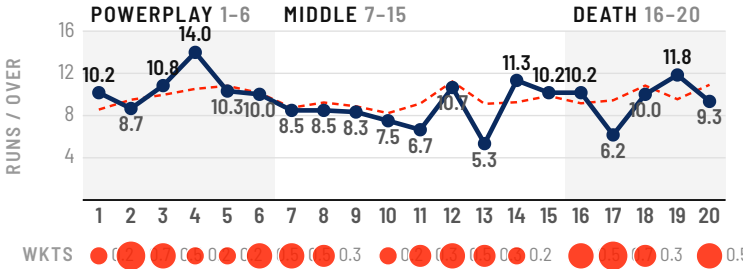
v PBKS	Apr 3	v RCB	Apr 5	v DC	Apr 11	v KKR	Apr 14	v SRH	Apr 18
209/5	20ov	207	19.4ov	212/2	20ov	192/5	20ov	184/8	20ov
RR 10.45 · set		RR 10.53 · chase 251		RR 10.60 · set		RR 9.60 · set		RR 9.20 · chase 195	

SNAPSHOT

9.48 ^{6th} RUN RATE league 9.71	185 ^{6th} AVG 1ST-INNS league 188	6.5 ^{T-7th} WKTS LOST / INN league 6.3	7.5 ^{7th} SIXES / MATCH league 8.8
20.7 ^{6th} BOUNDARY % league 21.7	33.2 ^{5th} DOT % league 32.4	23 ^{9th} OPENING STAND league 37	3 ^{T-3rd} 200+ TOTALS conceded 2 · lg 2.4

RUN RATE BY OVER

dashed: league · circles: wickets per innings



PHASE	RUN RATE	WKTS / INN	DOT	BDRY	AT END
Powerplay 1-6	10.67 ^{4th} lg 9.92	2.2 ^{10th} lg 1.7	39%	27%	64/2.2
Middle 7-15	8.56 ^{8th} lg 9.31	2.3 ^{T-4th} lg 2.6	32%	17%	141/4.5
Death 16-20	9.72 ^{7th} lg 10.25	2.0 ^{6th} lg 2.2	28%	20%	199/4.8

SETTING · CHASING

full 20-over innings

2-2 BATTING FIRST avg 185 · par 188	212/2 HIGHEST SET v DC, Apr 11	0-2 CHASING 2 full chases	— HIGHEST CHASED no successful chase	
TOTAL	SET W-L	TOTALS SET	CHASE W-L	TARGETS
Under 170	0-1	127 v RR	—	—
170-199	1-0	192 v KKR	0-1	195 v SRH
200+	1-1	209 v PBKS, 212 v DC	0-1	251 v RCB

At 10 overs chasing: 110/4.5 on average (2 chases).

VS BOWLING TYPE

team aggregate

BOWLING	BALLS	RUN RATE	DOT	BALLS / WKT
Pace	500	10.24 ^{4th} lg 9.95	33%	18.5 ^{6th}
Right-arm pace	404	10.13 ^{6th} lg 10.06	32%	16.8 ^{7th}
Left-arm pace	96	10.69 ^{3rd} lg 9.53	34%	32.0 ^{2nd}
Spin	216	7.72 ^{9th} lg 9.18	35%	19.6 ^{7th}
Finger spin	108	8.44 ^{T-7th} lg 8.85	37%	15.4 ^{9th}
Wrist spin	108	7.00 ^{10th} lg 9.46	32%	27.0 ^{T-4th}

SHAPE OF THE INNINGS

RUNS BY POSITION

#1-2 26% (lg 36) · #3-4 37% (lg 32) · #5-7 22% (lg 26) · #8-11 14% (lg 6)

COLLAPSES

3 of 6

innings lost 3+ powerplay wickets^{10th} (lg 27%)

RUNNING

8.2%^{4th}

of runs from 2s and 3s (lg 7.9) · 1 run-outs suffered

BATTING TENDENCIES

league-relative

- Lost 3+ powerplay wickets in 3 of 6 innings, 10th of 10 (league 27% of innings).
- Against wrist spin: 7.00 an over from 108 balls, 10th of 10 (league 9.46).
- Batters #1-2 score 26% of the runs off the bat (league 36%).

CSK Bowling2026 · 6 INNINGS · RANK 1ST = BEST

FORM

last 5 bowling innings

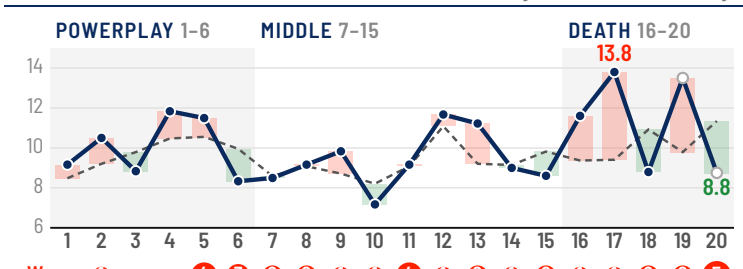
v PBKS	Apr 3	v RCB	Apr 5	v DC	Apr 11	v KKR	Apr 14	v SRH	Apr 18
210	/5 · 18.4ov	250	/3 · 20ov	189	/10 · 20ov	160	/7 · 20ov	194	/9 · 20ov
econ 11.25 · defending 209		econ 12.50 · bowled first		econ 9.45 · defending 212		econ 8.00 · defending 192		econ 9.70 · bowled first	

SNAPSHOT

10.01 ^{9th} ECONOMY league 9.57	31.69 ^{5th} AVERAGE league 30.33	19.0 ^{5th} STRIKE RATE league 19.0	5.8 ^{6th} WICKETS / INN league 5.9
33.4 ^{5th} DOT % league 34.1	22.9 ^{9th} BOUNDARY % league 21.7	6.0 ^{4th} EXTRAS / INN league 6.6	2-4 W-L WITH THE BALL first 0-2 · defending 2-2

ECONOMY BY OVER

dashed: league · shaded: over / under league



PHASE	ECON	WKTS	BALLS / WKT	DOT	BDRY
Powerplay 1-6	10.03 ^{5th} lg 9.74	8 ^{7th}	27.0 ^{7th}	40%	26%
Middle 7-15	9.36 ^{8th} lg 9.21	16 ^{T-3rd}	19.2 ^{3rd}	29%	18%
Death 16-20	11.37 ^{10th} lg 10.11	11 ^{T-5th}	12.9 ^{5th}	32%	27%

BOWLING FIRST · DEFENDING

222 ^{9th} OPP. TOTAL, BOWLING FIRST held under 170: 0 of 2 · under 200: 1 of 2	0-2 W-L BOWLING FIRST league chasers win 55%	2-2 W-L DEFENDING lowest held 192 v KKR	9.88 ^{5th} DEATH ECON DEFENDING highest lost 209 v PBKS
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DEFENDING BY TOTAL

Under 160 0-1 (lg defend 29%) · 160-179 — (lg defend 0%) · 180-199 1-0 (lg defend 50%) · 200-219 1-1 (lg defend 50%) · 220+ — (lg defend 83%)

ATTACK MIX

share of overs and economy by phase

PHASE	OVERS	PACE	SPIN	ECON	SPIN ECON
Powerplay	81% · 19%	9.76 ^{5th}	11.14 ^{5th}		
Middle	53% · 47%	9.93 ^{8th}	8.73 ^{4th}		
Death	87% · 13%	10.94 ^{8th}	14.33		
Season	69% · 31%	10.13 ^{7th}	9.72 ^{8th}		

TOP 5 BY OVERS

who bowls when: Captaincy p.6

BOWLER	OVERS	ECON	WKTS	CARD
A Kamboj pace	21.4	9.74 ^{38th}	13	p.18
N Ahmad spin	21	9.57 ^{35th}	4	p.19
K Ahmed pace	16.5	8.67 ^{21st}	2	
J Overton pace	15	9.53 ^{34th}	8	p.18
M Henry pace	10	13.00 ^{53rd}	2	

VS BATTER HAND

VS	BALLS	ECON	BALLS / WKT	DOT
Right-handers	444 ^{67%}	9.92 ^{9th} lg 9.39	20.2 ^{7th}	33%
Left-handers	221 ^{33%}	10.18 ^{8th} lg 9.91	17.0 ^{2nd}	34%

3 left-handers in MI's projected top 7: de Kock, Varma, Rutherford.

BOWLING TENDENCIES

league-relative

- Worst death economy in the league: 11.37 an over (league 10.11), but it falls to 9.88 when defending; held 2 of 3 chases that reached over 16.
- Most no-balls per match in the league: 1.0 (league 0.4).
- 2nd-fewest wides per match in the league: 4.2 (league 5.7).

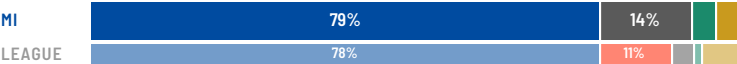


Fielding snapshot 2026 • LEAGUE RANK IN SUPERScript, 1st = BEST FIELDING SIDE

CAUGHT BOWLED LBW STUMPED RUN OUT

MUMBAI INDIANS				6 matches • 28 wickets			
CATCHES / MATCH		RUN-OUTS		STUMPINGS		BYES + LB / MATCH	
3.67 ^{T-9th}		1 ^{T-8th}		1 ^{T-1st}		0.67 ^{1st}	
22 in 6 league 4.90		0.17 a match league 0.35		0.17 a match league 0.08		0 byes • 4 leg byes league 2.57	

HOW WICKETS FALL share of 28 wickets vs league



WHERE CATCHES ARE TAKEN 22 catches • keeper, bowler, inner ring, deep vs league

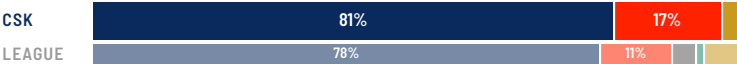


FIELDER LEADERBOARD top 5 by catches + run-outs • subs and impact players count

FIELDER	CT	RO	ST	DROPS	CT + RO
Tilak Varma	6	-	-	0	6
Naman Dhir	4	-	-	2	4
Hardik Pandya	2	-	-	0	2
Quinton de Kock ^{WK}	2	-	1	0	2
Deepak Chahar	1	-	-	1	1

CHENNAI SUPER KINGS				6 matches • 36 wickets			
CATCHES / MATCH		RUN-OUTS		STUMPINGS		BYES + LB / MATCH	
4.83 ^{6th}		1 ^{T-8th}		0 ^{T-6th}		3.67 ^{9th}	
29 in 6 league 4.90		0.17 a match league 0.35		0.00 a match league 0.08		10 byes • 12 leg byes league 2.57	

HOW WICKETS FALL share of 36 wickets vs league



WHERE CATCHES ARE TAKEN 29 catches • keeper, bowler, inner ring, deep vs league



FIELDER LEADERBOARD top 5 by catches + run-outs • subs and impact players count

FIELDER	CT	RO	ST	DROPS	CT + RO
Dewald Brevis	6	-	-	1	6
Noor Ahmad	4	-	-	1	4
Ruturaj Gaikwad	3	1	-	2	4
Sarfaraz Khan ^{IMPACT ×1}	3	1	-	1	4
Gurjapneet Singh	3	-	-	0	3

Chances BCCI SCORER LOG • ITS CATCHES MATCH BALL-BY-BALL ONE FOR ONE • NO CATCH DIFFICULTY

CATCH EFFICIENCY	DROPS	DIRECT HITS	RUN SAVES	MISFIELDS
81.5% ^{5th}	5 ^{T-3rd}	1 ^{T-6th}	12 ^{T-4th}	13 ^{1st}
22 of 27 held league 81.3%	0.83 a match league 1.13	4/9 shies hit league 18%	2.0 a match league 2.0	2.2 a match league 3.8

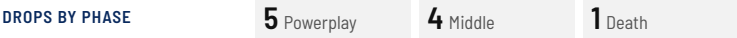


DROPPED BY N Dhir 2, R Sharma 1, D Chahar 1, J Bumrah 1

OFF THE BOWLING OF A Ghazanfar 1, C Bosch 1, D Chahar 1, S Thakur 1, H Pandya 1

ALSO 0 stumpings missed • 5 shies missed the stumps • 2 overthrows

CATCH EFFICIENCY	DROPS	DIRECT HITS	RUN SAVES	MISFIELDS
74.4% ^{8th}	10 ^{9th}	0 ^{T-9th}	9 ^{9th}	29 ^{8th}
29 of 39 held league 81.3%	1.67 a match league 1.13	1/11 shies hit league 18%	1.5 a match league 2.0	4.8 a match league 3.8



DROPPED BY R Gaikwad 2, S Dube 2, S Khan 1, D Brevis 1, K Sharma 1, M Henry 1, K Ahmed 1, N Ahmad 1

OFF THE BOWLING OF A Kamboj 3, A Hosein 2, M Henry 2, K Ahmed 2, N Ahmad 1

ALSO 0 stumpings missed • 10 shies missed the stumps • 1 overthrow

Keepers side by side SUMMARY OF THE KEEPER CARDS, SAME NUMBERS • RANKS: 5+ INN (SEASON), 60+ (CAREER) • BYES EXCLUDE LEG BYES

MUMBAI INDIANS KEEPER							KEEPER CARD P.11
QUINTON DE KOCK [†]							
Kept 2 of MI's 6 matches in 2026 • Rickelton 4							
KEEPING	INN	CT	ST	DIS / INN	RO	BYES / INN	
2026	2	2	1	1.50	0	0.00	
IPL career	101	70	19	0.88 ^{2nd}	13	0.53 ^{8th}	
League 2026				0.83		0.67	

TOP COMBO career c de Kock b Bumrah ×13 • still in MI's attack

STANDING UP, 2026 60 of 60 spin balls (100%) • 0 of 151 pace (0%)

CHENNAI SUPER KINGS KEEPER							KEEPER CARD P.16
SANJU SAMSON [†]							
Kept 6 of CSK's 6 matches in 2026							
KEEPING	INN	CT	ST	DIS / INN	RO	BYES / INN	
2026	6	1	0	0.17 ^{7th}	0	1.67 ^{7th}	
IPL career	118	63	17	0.68 ^{10th}	21	0.77 ^{11th}	
League 2026				0.83		0.67	

TOP COMBO career c Samson b Boult ×8 • this attack c Samson b Overton ×1

STANDING UP, 2026 214 of 214 spin balls (100%) • 0 of 482 pace (0%)

Opponent running • Tendencies HOW HARD OPPONENTS RUN ON THIS FIELDING SIDE • 1ST = FEWEST CONCEDED

MUMBAI INDIANS				6 matches • 28 wickets			
Runs from 2s & 3s conceded % of runs off the bat		6.7% ^{2nd}				league 7.9%	
Running shots turned into 2+ share of balls run		12.9% ^{3rd}				league 13.6%	
Run-outs per 100 attempts balls run, or a run-out		0.38 ^{8th}				league 0.67	
2+ SHARE BY PHASE		12% Powerplay 8 of 68	13% Middle 19 of 151			16% Death 7 of 45	

TONIGHT'S RUNNERS CSK score 8.2%^{4th} of their runs off the bat in 2s & 3s (league 7.9%) and have lost 1 run-out • CSK batting p.8

MUMBAI INDIANS FIELDING TENDENCIES 2 strongest, 3+ events

- 13 of MI's 22 catches have been taken in the deep (59%; league 54%).
- Tilak Varma has taken 6 of MI's 22 catches, the most by an outfielder.

CHENNAI SUPER KINGS				6 matches • 36 wickets			
Runs from 2s & 3s conceded % of runs off the bat		8.6% ^{8th}				league 7.9%	
Running shots turned into 2+ share of balls run		15.3% ^{9th}				league 13.6%	
Run-outs per 100 attempts balls run, or a run-out		0.32 ^{9th}				league 0.67	
2+ SHARE BY PHASE		18% Powerplay 14 of 79	14% Middle 24 of 168			15% Death 9 of 61	

TONIGHT'S RUNNERS MI score 7.5%^{8th} of their runs off the bat in 2s & 3s (league 7.9%) and have lost 3 run-outs • MI batting p.7

CHENNAI SUPER KINGS FIELDING TENDENCIES 2 strongest, 3+ events

- 5 of CSK's 10 drops this season came in the powerplay.
- 14 of CSK's 29 catches have been taken inside the ring (48%; league 29%).

Mumbai Indians vs. Chennai Super Kings • Match 33 • Wankhede Stadium • Thursday, April 23, 2026 • All figures through Match 32

ON THIS DAY · APRIL 23

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23 APR 2013 · RCB V PWI, BENGALURU

IPL RECORD

Gayle's 175 remains the highest individual score in IPL history. He faced 66 balls, hit 13 fours and 17 sixes, and RCB's 263/5 was then the highest IPL total.
- 2

23 APR 2017 · KKR V RCB, KOLKATA

IPL RECORD

RCB's 49 is IPL's lowest all-out total. They lasted just 9.4 overs at Kolkata, bowled out as KKR won by 82 runs.
- 3

23 APR 2008 · CSK V MI, CHENNAI (1ST MEETING)

IPL FIRST

The first-ever CSK-MI clash was decided by six runs. CSK made 208/5 and restricted Mumbai to 202/7 at Chennai to open the rivalry.
- 4

23 APR 2024 · CSK V LSG, CHENNAI

CAREER HIGH

Gaikwad's 108 that night is still his highest IPL score. The CSK captain's unbeaten 60-ball hundred anchored 210/4, though Stoinis's 124 won it for LSG.
- 5

23 APR 2009 · KKR V RR, CAPE TOWN (150-150 TIE)

IPL FIRST

The IPL's first-ever Super Over was played on this date. KKR and RR both finished on 150 at Cape Town, and Rajasthan won the one-over decider.
- 6

23 APR 2025 · SRH V MI AT HYDERABAD

FEAT

Boult's 4/26 set up Mumbai's seven-wicket win last year. He is still an MI quick, and Mumbai chased 144 in 15.4 overs with 26 balls to spare.
- 7

23 APR 2023 · CSK 235/4 V KKR, KOLKATA

FEAT

CSK posted 235/4 at Kolkata and won by 49 runs. KKR's reply reached 186/8, and Chennai's towering total proved well beyond them that day.

This date: MI are 1-4 and CSK are 4-2 on April 23.

STATISTICAL ANOMALIES

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MI V CSK, WANKHEDE; RUTHERFORD 194.3 SR IN 6 INNS (2026)

CAREER HIGH

Rutherford's 194.3 strike rate is a career high. He had never cleared 160 before; his previous best was 157.3 in 2025, and this term he has 103 runs off just 53 balls.
- 2

MI V CSK, WANKHEDE; BUMRAH 1 WKT IN 6 INNS (2026)

CAREER LOW

Bumrah's one wicket in 2026 is a career low. In six innings he has 1 for 179 at 8.14 an over, the fewest wickets he has taken in any season of his career.
- 3

MI V CSK, WANKHEDE; KAMBOJ 13 WKTS (2026)

LEAGUE LEADER

Kamboj leads the league with 13 wickets. In six innings he has 13 wickets at 9.74 an over, a career best that passes his 8 in 2025 and 2 in 2024.
- 4

MI V CSK, WANKHEDE; GAIKWAD 112.3 SR IN 6 INNS (2026)

CAREER LOW

Gaikwad's 112.3 strike rate is a career low. He has 82 runs off 73 balls; his previous slowest year was 120.7 in 2020, and he struck 141-plus in 2024 and 2025.
- 5

CSK 2026: 1131 RUNS FOR, 1131 AGAINST, NRR -0.780

TABLE QUIRK

CSK have scored and conceded identical totals this season. Six games in, they have 1131 for and 1131 against, yet NRR is minus 0.780 because they batted 120 overs and bowled 110.5.
- 6

MI AND CSK 2026: 12 TOSS WINNERS FIELDLED, 5-7 RECORD

TREND

Chasing has been the unanimous toss call in these games. All 12 toss winners have bowled first, and it has backfired: they are 5-7, with the side batting first winning 7 of the 12.
- 7

MI V CSK, WANKHEDE; MI DEATH SR 191.7, CSK DEATH ECON 11.37

TREND

MI's death hitting meets CSK's leakiest phase. MI strike at 191.7 in the death, 278 runs off 145 balls; CSK concede 11.37 an over there, their most expensive phase this season.

MILESTONES & STREAKS

MILESTONES IN REACH						
Player	Team	Stat	Now	Mark	Needs	Context
Dewald Brevis	 CSK	Runs	496	500	4	163rd to reach; 266 for CSK
Shivam Dube	 CSK	Runs	1,982	2,000	18	57th to reach; 1,583 for CSK, 9th on club list
Ayush Mhatre	 CSK	Sixes	23	25	2	151st to reach; all 23 for CSK
Anshul Kamboj	 CSK	Wickets	23	25	2	148th to reach; 21 for CSK
Suryakumar Yadav	 MI	Sixes	172	175	3	16th ever; 151 for MI, 3rd on club list
Ruturaj Gaikwad	 CSK	Sixes	96	100	4	45th ever; all 96 for CSK, 4th on club list
Ayush Mhatre	 CSK	Runs	441	500	59	163rd to reach; all 441 for CSK
Sarfaraz Khan	 CSK	Sixes	20	25	5	151st to reach; 6 for CSK
Quinton de Kock	 MI	Runs	3,437	3,500	63	24th ever; 1,457 for MI, 9th on club list
Suryakumar Yadav	 MI	Runs	4,432	4,500	68	15th ever; 3,824 for MI, 2nd on club list

FIELDING MILESTONES · CATCHES				
Player	Team	Now	Mark	Context
Naman Dhir	 MI	19	20	143rd in IPL history; all 19 for MI
Tilak Varma	 MI	38	40	57th in IPL history; all 38 for MI
Jasprit Bumrah	 MI	18	20	153rd in IPL history; all 18 for MI
Sanju Samson	 CSK	87	90	12th in IPL history; 1 for CSK, plus 17 stumpings

Mahendra Singh Dhoni holds the IPL record with 157 catches and 47 stumpings.

PLAYER STREAKS		
Player	Team	Streak
Anshul Kamboj	 CSK	Wicket in 9 straight matches, a career best
Ruturaj Gaikwad	 CSK	8 straight innings under 30 (last 30+: Mar 30, 2025)
Ayush Mhatre	 CSK	30+ in 3 straight innings (59, 38, 30), a career best

AGE WATCH					
Player	Team	Age	Mark	Needs	Youngest to reach
Jasprit Bumrah	 MI	32y 138d	200 wkts	13	Yuzvendra Chahal, 33y 274d
Sanju Samson	 CSK	31y 163d	250 sixes	22	Virat Kohli, 35y 168d
Ayush Mhatre	 CSK	18y 281d	25 sixes	2	Vaibhav Sooryavanshi, 15y 3d (would be 2nd)
Tilak Varma	 MI	23y 166d	100 sixes	19	Rishabh Pant, 23y 20d (would be 2nd)

Birthdays this week: Akeal Hosein 33 (Apr 25), Kartik Sharma 20 (Apr 26), Dewald Brevis 23 (Apr 29).

MATCH OFFICIALS		
Official	Role	Tonight
Parashar Joshi	Umpire	9th IPL game (field + TV), 71st most
Adrian Holdstock	Umpire	21st IPL game (field + TV), 50th most
KN Ananthapadmanabhan	TV	148th IPL game (field + TV), 4th most
Prakash Bhatt	Referee	73rd as referee, 6th most; MI 7-7, CSK 7-9



QUINTON DE KOCK #12

OPENER · WK-BAT · LHB · AGE 33Y 127D
OVERSEAS Yes PRICE ₹1.00 Cr sold 2026 IPL DEBUT 2013 IPL MATCHES 117
BATS #1 Keeps wicket · Started 2 of 6 games; never an Impact sub

Quinton de Kock grew up in Johannesburg, came through King Edward VII School and the Old Eds club, and broke into Gauteng's senior side as a teenager. He kept wicket and opened for South Africa across formats and captained the Proteas before stepping away from Test cricket. A left-handed opener, he first joined Mumbai Indians in 2019 and won back-to-back IPL titles with them. Re-signed for 2026, he marked his return with a century against Punjab Kings at the Wankhede.



THE LINE

De Kock falls fastest at the powerplay, out every 13.5 balls in overs 1 to 6; Khaleel Ahmed, who bowls there almost exclusively, already has him at 153.

WATCH FOR

- ▶ **63 to 3,500 IPL runs:** 24th ever; 1,457 for MI, 9th on club list.
- ▶ **24th on the all-time IPL run list** with 3,437.
- ▶ **Scores faster v spin:** SR 145, not dismissed since 2024; v pace it is SR 140, out every 15 balls.
- ▶ **Falls fastest at the powerplay:** out every 13.5 balls (SR 126) in overs 1-6, against every 46.3 in overs 7-15.

HOW HE IS OUT

109 IPL dismissals: caught, leg side 41 · caught, off side 29 · caught, keeper 12 · caught, no zone 1 · bowled 15 · lbw 7 · stumped 1 · run out 3

WHERE HE SCORES

Mid-wicket 23% · Square leg 19% · Cover 15% · Long-on 13% of career runs

CAREER V THE OTHER BOWLING TYPES · SR (BALLS, OUTS)

Leg-spin
127
(325, 17)

SEASON

125 ^{43rd}	125.0 ^{1st}	176.1 ^{11th}	4.2 ^{21st}	25% ^{6th}
RUNS	AVERAGE	STRIKE RATE	BALLS / 4-6	DOT BALLS
2 inn · HS 112*	career 31.5	career 135.2	17 4s+6s · 0+50	71 faced

IPL CAREER 117 inn · 3,434 runs · avg 31.5 · SR 135.2 · 24×50 3×100 · HS 140* · 5.3 balls per 4-6 · dot 38%

FORM

LAST 5 INNS	23	2	9	112*	13
	16b CSK Apr 11 Bowled · A Kamboj	4b PBKS Apr c Shedge, deep bwd sq leg · X Bartlett	113b SRH May 2 c Manohar, deep sq leg · E Malinga	2 60b PBKS Apr not out	11b GT Apr 20 c 8 & b · K Rabada

BY PHASE · CAREER SR

130	134	205
POWERPLAY	MIDDLE	DEATH
59% of balls · avg 33.7 · dot 48% · 2026 127 (22b)	36% of balls · avg 30.9 · dot 29% · 2026 186 (36b)	5% of balls · avg 30.0 · dot 18% · 2026 231 (13b)

CAREER STRIKE RATE BY OVER

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
92	104	150	108	138	135	122	126	147	120	135	152	150	136	132	205	134	278	250	217

Usually arrives over 1, stays to over 6.4, 18.8 balls a visit (10 inn since 2025); boxed: his usual overs

V CSK'S BOWLING TYPES · CAREER SR

147	129	108	148	124
V RA PACE	V LA PACE	V OFF-SPIN	V LA ORTHODOX	V LA WRIST
54 out in 1263b · 2026 177 · Kamboj, Overton	16 out in 393b · 2026 142 · Ahmed, Singh, Choudhary	12 out in 413b · 2026 -- · Short	3 out in 117b · 2026 -- · Hosein	4 out in 29b · 2026 -- · Ahmad

SAY IT Out every 13.5 balls in the powerplay; that is where Khaleel Ahmed will test him.



DANISH MALEWAR

OPENER · RHB · AGE 22Y 197D
OVERSEAS No PRICE ₹30.00 L sold 2026 IPL DEBUT 2026 IPL MATCHES 1
BATS #2 Started 1 of 6 games; never an Impact sub

Danish Malewar is a right-handed top-order batter from Nagpur who learned the game at the City Gymkhana Academy and plays his domestic cricket for Vidarbha. He was part of Vidarbha's Ranji Trophy title-winning side, making a century in the final, before Mumbai Indians signed him at his base price in the 2026 auction. Malewar opened the batting on his IPL debut against Gujarat Titans this season and is part of the Mumbai Indians squad for this meeting with Chennai Super Kings.



THE LINE

Malewar has four IPL balls to his name, lbw for 2 on debut, and now opens against a Chennai attack he has never faced in the powerplay.

HOW HE IS OUT

1 IPL dismissal: lbw 1

WHERE HE SCORES

Third man 100% of career runs

SEASON

2 ^{117th}	2.0	50.0	–	50%
RUNS	AVERAGE	STRIKE RATE	BALLS / 4-6	DOT BALLS
1 inn · HS 2	career 2.0	career 50.0	0 4s+6s · 0+50	4 faced

IPL CAREER 1 inn · 2 runs · avg 2.0 · SR 50.0 · 0×50 0×100 · HS 2 · -- balls per 4-6 · dot 50%

FORM

LAST 1 INNS	2
	4b GT Apr 20 LBW · K Rabada

BY PHASE · CAREER SR

50	–	–
POWERPLAY	MIDDLE	DEATH
100% of balls · avg 2.0 · dot 50% · 2026 50 (4b)	0% of balls · avg -- · dot --% · 2026 -- (0b)	0% of balls · avg -- · dot --% · 2026 -- (0b)

V CSK'S BOWLING TYPES · CAREER SR

50	–	–	–	–
V RA PACE	V LA PACE	V OFF-SPIN	V LA ORTHODOX	V LA WRIST
1 out in 4b · 2026 50 · Kamboj, Overton	0 out in 0b · 2026 -- · Ahmed, Choudhary, Singh	0 out in 0b · 2026 -- · Short	0 out in 0b · 2026 -- · Hosein	0 out in 0b · 2026 -- · Ahmad

SAY IT Two runs from four balls so far; Khaleel Ahmed and the new ball await.



NAMAN DHIR

TOP ORDER · RHB · AGE 26Y 113D
OVERSEAS No PRICE ₹5.25 Cr retained 2026 IPL DEBUT 2024 IPL MATCHES 29
BATS #3 Started all 6 games; never an Impact sub

Naman Dhir, born in Ambala, Haryana, plays his domestic cricket for Punjab and bowls right-arm off-break. He came to Mumbai Indians through the Sher-e-Punjab T20 league, where he finished as its second-highest run-scorer, and MI signed him at his first auction for a 20 lakh base price. In the injury-forced absence of Suryakumar Yadav he debuted against Gujarat Titans at number three, and MI kept him through the right-to-match card a year later, at 5.25 crore.



THE LINE

Dhir strikes at 174 against pace and 160.7 at the Wankhede, yet Noor Ahmad dismissed him in their only meeting.

WATCH FOR

- ▶ **Scores faster v pace:** SR 174, out every 17 balls since 2024; v spin it is SR 165, out every 17 balls.
- ▶ **Falls fastest at the death:** out every 13.5 balls (SR 194) in overs 16-20, against every 20.8 in overs 1-6.

HOW HE IS OUT

19 IPL dismissals: caught, leg side 7 · caught, off side 6 · bowled 3 · lbw 3

WHERE HE SCORES

Mid-wicket 26% · Long-off 19% · Long-on 17% · Fine leg 11% of career runs

CAREER V THE OTHER BOWLING TYPES · SR (BALLS, OUTS)

Leg-spin
135
(37, 2)

SEASON

154 ^{28th}	30.8 ^{31st}	152.5 ^{27th}	4.8 ^{36th}	30% ^{22nd}
RUNS	AVERAGE	STRIKE RATE	BALLS / 4-6	DOT BALLS
6 inn · HS 50	career 28.7	career 171.7	21 4s+6s · 1+50	101 faced

IPL CAREER 25 inn · 546 runs · avg 28.7 · SR 171.7 · 2×50 0×100 · HS 62* · 4.0 balls per 4-6 · dot 30%

FORM

LAST 5 INNS	28	25	1	50	45
	21b DC Apr 4 c Stubbs, deep mid wkt · T Natarajan	13b RR Apr 7 c Bishnoi, long on · N Burger	2b RCB Apr 12 c Patidar, extra cover · R Dar	31b PBKS Apr 132b GT Apr 20 c Bartlett, long off · S Singh	132b GT Apr 20 c Rabada, deep bwd sq leg · P Krishna

BY PHASE · CAREER SR

152	158	194
POWERPLAY	MIDDLE	DEATH
26% of balls · avg 31.5 · dot 42% · 2026 161 (33b)	31% of balls · avg 31.6 · dot 27% · 2026 156 (55b)	42% of balls · avg 26.2 · dot 24% · 2026 115 (13b)

CAREER STRIKE RATE BY OVER

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
44	161	246	55	200	187	121	191	267	89	85	188	124	167	147	265	239			

Usually arrives over 15, stays to over 17.3, 13.3 balls a visit (18 inn since 2025); boxed: his usual overs

V CSK'S BOWLING TYPES · CAREER SR

182	145	250	183	180
V RA PACE	V LA PACE	V OFF-SPIN	V LA ORTHODOX	V LA WRIST
10 out in 192b · 2026 149 · Kamboj, Overton	5 out in 58b · 2026 113 · Singh, Ahmed, Choudhary	0 out in 8b · 2026 300 · Short	1 out in 18b · 2026 175 · Hosein	1 out in 5b · 2026 350 · Ahmad

TONIGHT V CSK

career H2H · his likeliest bowlers

Khaleel Ahmed LEFT-ARM FAST-MEDIUM · --2.2 OV
46 off 30 · 1 out · SR 153 · 4×4 3×6
13 of his 16.5 overs in the powerplay; over 1 in 3 of 5 games. · last 14 (10) · Chennai, Apr 2025

Anshul Kamboj p.18 RIGHT-ARM FAST-MEDIUM · --3.6 OV

8 off 5 · 1 out · SR 160 · 1×6
8 of his 21.4 overs in the powerplay; over 4 in 4 of 6 games. · last 8 (5), bowled · Chennai, Apr 2025

Noor Ahmad p.19 LEFT-ARM WRIST SPIN · --3.5 OV

11 off 6 · 0 out · SR 183 · 2×4
1 of his 21 overs in the powerplay; none in overs 1-5. · last 11 (6) · Ahmedabad, May 2023

Mukesh Choudhary p.19 LEFT-ARM FAST-MEDIUM · --0.7 OV

11 off 7 · 0 out · SR 157 · 2×4
2 of his 2 overs in the powerplay; over 2 in 1 of 1 games. · last 11 (7) · Mumbai (BS), Mar 2022

ALSO FACES Hosein first meeting · Singh first meeting · Overton first meeting · Short first meeting

RECORD

v CSK, career 412 runs · SR 132.1 · avg 27.5 · 16 inn · HS 61
At Wankhede Stadium 486 runs · SR 141.7 · avg 40.5 · 14 inn · HS 112*
Setting 1,765 runs · SR 136.4 · avg 29.4 · 63 inn · HS 140*
Chasing 1,669 runs · SR 133.9 · avg 34.1 · 54 inn · HS 108



SURYAKUMAR YADAV #63

TOP ORDER · RHB · AGE 35Y 221D

OVERSEAS No PRICE ₹16.35 Cr retained 2026 IPL DEBUT 2012 IPL MATCHES 172

BATS #4 Started 5 of 6 games; Impact sub in 1

Mumbai-born and raised in Chembur, Suryakumar Yadav came through the Elf Vengsarkar Academy and Mumbai's Ranji Trophy side before Mumbai Indians gave him his first IPL contract in 2012. After four seasons with Kolkata Knight Riders, he returned to Mumbai in 2018 and has been there since. He made his India T20I debut in 2021, hitting the first ball he faced for six, and later took the boundary catch that sealed the 2024 T20 World Cup. He captained India to the 2025 Asia Cup and the 2026 T20 World Cup titles.



THE LINE

Suryakumar strikes at 165.1 at the Wankhede but only 125.6 against Chennai, and Noor Ahmad has him twice in 41 balls; the middle overs decide it.

WATCH FOR

- ▶ **3 to 175 IPL sixes:** 16th ever; 151 for MI, 3rd on club list.
- ▶ **68 to 4,500 IPL runs:** 15th ever; 3,824 for MI, 2nd on club list.
- ▶ **15th on the all-time IPL run list** with 4,432.
- ▶ **18th on the all-time IPL six list** with 172.
- ▶ **Scores faster v pace:** SR 176, out every 19 balls since 2024; v spin it is SR 154, out every 46 balls.
- ▶ **Falls fastest at the death:** out every 11.6 balls (SR 207) in overs 16–20, against every 35.1 in overs 7–15.

HOW HE IS OUT

129 IPL dismissals: caught, leg side 48 · caught, off side 36 · caught, keeper 16 · caught, no zone 2 · bowled 12 · lbw 8 · stumped 2 · run out 5

WHERE HE SCORES

Mid-wicket 19% · Square leg 16% · Cover 14% · Long-on 14% of career runs

CAREER V THE OTHER BOWLING TYPES · SR (BALLS, OUTS)

Leg-spin

141

(575, 16)

SEASON

121^{45th}
RUNS
6 inn · HS 51**20.2**^{50th}
AVERAGE
career 34.4**151.2**^{31st}
STRIKE RATE
career 148.7**5.0**^{38th}
BALLS / 4-6
16 4s+6s · 1+50**28%**^{13th}
DOT BALLS
80 faced**IPL CAREER** 157 inn · 4,432 runs · avg 34.4 · SR 148.7 · 30+50 2+100 · HS 103* · 4.7 balls per 4-6 · dot 34%

FORM

LAST 5 INNS

51
36b DC Apr 4
LBW · L Ngidi**6**
3b RR Apr 7
c Archer,
deep bwd sq
leg · N Burger**33**
22b RCB Apr 12
c Dar, deep
bwd sq leg · K
Pandya**0**
1b PBKS Apr 16
c Chahal, sh
third man · A
Singh**15**
Bowled · K
Rabada

BY PHASE · CAREER SR

140
POWERPLAY
23% of balls · avg 51.2 · dot
46% · 2026 137 (27b)**144**
MIDDLE
61% of balls · avg 40.5 · dot
30% · 2026 160 (50b)**180**
DEATH
15% of balls · avg 20.1 · dot
32% · 2026 133 (3b)

CAREER STRIKE RATE BY OVER

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
121	114	179	102	151	149	121	136	136	128	129	144	183	153	177	154	202	167	203	188

Usually arrives over 6, stays to over 13.6, 23.0 balls a visit (22 inn since 2025); boxed: his usual overs

V CSK'S BOWLING TYPES · CAREER SR

163
V RA PACE
66 out in 1273b ·
2026 161 ·
Overton, Kamboj**156**
V LA PACE
20 out in 343b ·
2026 140 · Singh,
Ahmed,
Choudhary**138**
V OFF-SPIN
5 out in 344b ·
2026 - · Short**116**
V LA ORTHODOX
14 out in 356b ·
2026 123 ·
Hosein**140**
V LA WRIST
3 out in 87b ·
2026 140 ·
Ahmad**SAY IT** At the Wankhede he scores at 165.1; against Chennai that drops to 125.6.

TILAK VARMA #9

MIDDLE ORDER · LHB · AGE 23Y 166D

OVERSEAS No PRICE ₹8.00 Cr retained 2026 IPL DEBUT 2022 IPL MATCHES 60

BATS #5 Started all 6 games; never an Impact sub

Tilak Varma grew up in Hyderabad, learned the game at the Legala Cricket Academy, and made his Ranji Trophy debut for Hyderabad as a teenager. Mumbai Indians signed him at the 2022 auction, and the left-hander has batted in their middle order ever since. A T20I debut against the West Indies followed, then Player of the Match in the 2025 Asia Cup final against Pakistan and a place in India's T20 World Cup-winning squad.



THE LINE

Varma's season strike rate of 187.0 leaps to 287 at the death, yet Noor Ahmad already has him lbw; Chennai's wrist spin is the test.

WATCH FOR

- ▶ **Scores faster v pace:** SR 158, out every 23 balls since 2024; v spin it is SR 139, out every 37 balls.
- ▶ **Falls fastest at the death:** out every 13.6 balls (SR 208) in overs 16–20, against every 30.2 in overs 7–15.

HOW HE IS OUT

45 IPL dismissals: caught, leg side 13 · caught, off side 14 · caught, keeper 3 · bowled 5 · lbw 3 · run out 6 · other 1

WHERE HE SCORES

Mid-wicket 23% · Long-off 16% · Square leg 14% · Long-on 13% of career runs

CAREER V THE OTHER BOWLING TYPES · SR (BALLS, OUTS)

Leg-spin

143

(215, 8)

SEASON

144^{34th}
RUNS
6 inn · HS 101***28.8**^{36th}
AVERAGE
career 37.1**187.0**^{7th}
STRIKE RATE
career 146.6**3.3**^{7th}
BALLS / 4-6
23 4s+6s · 0+50**27%**^{12th}
DOT BALLS
77 faced**IPL CAREER** 57 inn · 1,668 runs · avg 37.1 · SR 146.6 · 9+50 1+100 · HS 101* · 5.4 balls per 4-6 · dot 31%

FORM

LAST 5 INNS

0
2b DC Apr 4
c & b · M
Kumar**14**
10b RR Apr 7
c Hetmyer,
deep mid wkt
· R Bishnoi**1**
3b RCB Apr 12
c Duffy, sh
fine leg · S
Sharma**8**
3b PBKS Apr 16
Run out
(Vyshak)**101***
16 45b 6T Apr 20
not out

BY PHASE · CAREER SR

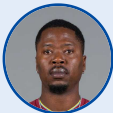
127
POWERPLAY
12% of balls · avg 33.4 · dot
42% · 2026 123 (13b)**135**
MIDDLE
66% of balls · avg 47.5 · dot
30% · 2026 118 (33b)**195**
DEATH
22% of balls · avg 28.1 · dot
27% · 2026 287 (31b)

CAREER STRIKE RATE BY OVER

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
180	129	100	148	97	137	122	125	165	124	132	119	130	171	189	194	198	192	222	

Usually arrives over 9, stays to over 14.6, 18.3 balls a visit (19 inn since 2025); boxed: his usual overs

V CSK'S BOWLING TYPES · CAREER SR

155
V RA PACE
22 out in 492b ·
2026 218 ·
Overton, Kamboj**145**
V LA PACE
4 out in 128b ·
2026 200 ·
Singh, Ahmed,
Choudhary**127**
V OFF-SPIN
2 out in 124b ·
2026 60 · Short**149**
V LA ORTHODOX
1 out in 107b ·
2026 - · Hosein**141**
V LA WRIST
1 out in 49b ·
2026 - · Ahmad**SAY IT** He strikes at 287 at the death; Noor Ahmad, though, dismissed him leg before.

SHERFANE RUTHERFORD

LOWER ORDER · LHB · AGE 27Y 251D

OVERSEAS Yes PRICE ₹2.60 Cr traded 2026 IPL DEBUT 2019 IPL MATCHES 29

BATS #7 Started 4 of 6 games; Impact sub in 2

Sherfane Rutherford grew up in Enmore, on Guyana's East Coast, and bats left-handed while bowling right-arm medium. He came through Guyana's domestic setup and the Caribbean Premier League's Guyana Amazon Warriors, making his name at the Global T20 Canada with an unbeaten 134 for West Indies B. His defining turn came against New Zealand at the T20 World Cup, an unbeaten 68 that lifted West Indies from a collapse. He arrived at Mumbai Indians in a trade from Gujarat Titans.



THE LINE

Rutherford strikes at 194.3, and 200 at the death, yet against Chennai he averages 4.0; Kamboj has already dismissed him.

WATCH FOR

- ▶ **Scores faster v pace:** SR 169, out every 15 balls since 2024; v spin it is SR 158, out every 74 balls.
- ▶ **Falls fastest at the death:** out every 13.1 balls (SR 164) in overs 16–20, against every 58.0 in overs 7–15.

HOW HE IS OUT

19 IPL dismissals: caught, leg side 5 · caught, off side 8 · caught, keeper 2 · bowled 2 · lbw 2

WHERE HE SCORES

Mid-wicket 23% · Cover 16% · Square leg 13% · Long-on 13% of career runs

CAREER V THE OTHER BOWLING TYPES · SR (BALLS, OUTS)

Leg-spin

97

(59, 3)

SEASON

103^{47th}
RUNS
5 inn · HS 71***34.3**
AVERAGE
career 26.3**194.3**
STRIKE RATE
career 146.2**3.5**
BALLS / 4-6
15 4s+6s · 1+50**38%**
DOT BALLS
53 faced**IPL CAREER** 25 inn · 500 runs · avg 26.3 · SR 146.2 · 1+50 0+100 · HS 71* · 5.2 balls per 4-6 · dot 38%

FORM

LAST 5 INNS

5
7b DC Apr 4
c Kumar,
deep sq leg ·
V Ngidi**25**
8b RR Apr 7
c Sharma, sh
third man · T
Deshpande**71***
31b RCB Apr 12
not out**1**
5b PBKS Apr 16
Bowled · A
Singh**1***
16 2b 6T Apr 20
not out

BY PHASE · CAREER SR

25
POWERPLAY
5% of balls · avg 4.0 · dot 81%
· 2026 - (0b)**143**
MIDDLE
49% of balls · avg 59.2 · dot
37% · 2026 186 (22b)**162**
DEATH
47% of balls · avg 18.5 · dot
35% · 2026 200 (31b)

CAREER STRIKE RATE BY OVER

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
			25			175	222	71	100	79	139	162	169	139	134	134	189	141	265

Usually arrives over 13, stays to over 16.6, 14.9 balls a visit (16 inn since 2025); boxed: his usual overs

V CSK'S BOWLING TYPES · CAREER SR

164
V RA PACE
10 out in 178b ·
2026 247 ·
Overton, Kamboj**127**
V LA PACE
5 out in 37b ·
2026 20 · Singh,
Ahmed,
Choudhary**118**
V OFF-SPIN
1 out in 33b ·
2026 - · Short**200**
V LA ORTHODOX
0 out in 22b ·
2026 60 · Hosein**162**
V LA WRIST
0 out in 13b ·
2026 200 ·
Ahmad**SAY IT** At the death he strikes at 200; Chennai have kept him to a 60 strike rate.

TONIGHT V CSK

career H2H · his likeliest bowlers

Noor Ahmad p.19

LEFT-ARM WRIST SPIN · --3.5 OV

55 off 41 · 2 out · SR 134 · 6×4 1×6

1 of his 21 overs in the powerplay; over 11 in 4 of 6 games. · last 26 (11) · Mumbai, Apr 2025

Anshul

RIGHT-ARM FAST-MEDIUM · --3.6 OV

Kamboj p.18 **FIRST MEETING**

8 of his 21.4 overs in the powerplay; over 7 in 2 of 6 games.

Khaleel Ahmed

LEFT-ARM FAST-MEDIUM · --2.2 OV

33 off 22 · 2 out · SR 150 · 3×4 3×6

13 of his 16.5 overs in the powerplay; over 6 in 2 of 5 games. · last 7 (8) · Chennai, Mar 2025

Mukesh Choudhary p.19

LEFT-ARM FAST-MEDIUM · --0.7 OV

13 off 5 · 0 out · SR 260 · 2×4

2 of his 2 overs in the powerplay; over 6 in 1 of 1 games. · last 13 (5) · Navi Mumbai, Apr 2022

ALSO FACES Singh first meeting · Overton first meeting · Hosein first meeting · Short first meeting

RECORD

v CSK, career 437 runs · SR 125.6 · avg 29.1 · 17 inn · HS 71***At Wankhede Stadium** 1,443 runs · SR 165.1 · avg 41.2 · 42 inn · HS 103***Setting** 2,337 runs · SR 144.3 · avg 34.4 · 81 inn · HS 103***Chasing** 2,095 runs · SR 154.0 · avg 34.3 · 76 inn · HS 102*

TONIGHT V CSK

career H2H · his likeliest bowlers

Noor Ahmad p.19

LEFT-ARM WRIST SPIN · --3.5 OV

5 off 6 · 1 out · SR 83

1 of his 21 overs in the powerplay; over 11 in 4 of 6 games. · last 5 (6), leg before wicket · Chennai, Mar 2025

Anshul

RIGHT-ARM FAST-MEDIUM · --3.6 OV

Kamboj p.18 **FIRST MEETING**

8 of his 21.4 overs in the powerplay; over 12 in 1 of 6 games.

Khaleel Ahmed

LEFT-ARM FAST-MEDIUM · --2.2 OV

13 off 13 · 0 out · SR 100 · 2×4

13 of his 16.5 overs in the powerplay; over 10 in 1 of 5 games. · last 0 (3) · Chennai, Mar 2025

Mukesh Choudhary p.19

LEFT-ARM FAST-MEDIUM · --0.7 OV

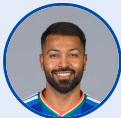
9 off 9 · 0 out · SR 100 · 2×4

2 of his 2 overs in the powerplay; none in overs 10–16. · last 5 (3) · Mumbai, May 2022

ALSO FACES Singh first meeting · Overton first meeting · Hosein first meeting · Short first meeting

RECORD

v CSK, career 169 runs · SR 122.5 · avg 56.3 · 5 inn · HS 51***At Wankhede Stadium** 457 runs · SR 126.9 · avg 26.9 · 22 inn · HS 56**Setting** 754 runs · SR 149.0 · avg 37.7 · 25 inn · HS 101***Chasing** 914 runs · SR 144.6 · avg 36.6 · 32 inn · HS 64



HARDIK PANDYA #33

MIDDLE ORDER · RHB · AGE 32Y 194D

OVERSEAS No PRICE ₹16.35 Cr retained 2026 IPL DEBUT 2015 IPL MATCHES 157

BATS #6

Started 5 of 6 games; never an Impact sub

ALL-ROUNDER · BATTING CARD [bowling card below](#)

Hardik Pandya grew up in Gujarat and learned his cricket at Kiran More's academy in Vadodara before breaking into the Baroda side. Mumbai Indians bought the all-rounder at the 2015 auction, and he became a fixture in their title-winning teams while also playing for India in all three formats. He captained Gujarat Titans to the IPL title in 2022, then returned to Mumbai in a trade and now leads the franchise.



THE LINE

Pandya's death strike rate of 170 carries a wicket every 9.7 balls, and Khaleel Ahmed has already dismissed him three times in 26 deliveries.

WATCH FOR

- ▶ **25th on the all-time IPL six list** with 151.
- ▶ **Scores faster v spin:** SR 162, out every 23 balls since 2024; v pace it is SR 146, out every 12 balls.
- ▶ **Falls fastest at the death:** out every 9.7 balls (SR 158) in overs 16–20, against every 24.1 in overs 7–15.

HOW HE IS OUT

101 IPL dismissals: caught, leg side 38 · caught, off side 35 · caught, keeper 8 · caught, no zone 2 · bowled 7 · lbw 6 · stumped 1 · run out 3 · other 1

WHERE HE SCORES

Mid-wicket 24% · Long-on 18% · Cover 17% · Long-off 15% of career runs

CAREER V THE OTHER BOWLING TYPES · SR (BALLS, OUTS)

Leg-spin

134

(327, 15)

SEASON

96 ^{51st} RUNS 5 inn · HS 40	24.0 ^{45th} AVERAGE career 28.2	143.3 ^{41st} STRIKE RATE career 146.8	4.8 ^{35th} BALLS / 4-6 14 4s+6s · 0+50	31% ^{26th} DOT BALLS 67 faced
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IPL CAREER 145 inn · 2,845 runs · avg 28.2 · SR 146.8 · 10×50 0×100 · HS 91 · 5.3 balls per 4-6 · dot 33%

FORM

LAST 5 INNS					newest right				
18*	9	40	14	15	11b KKR Mar 2	6b RR Apr 7	22b RCB Apr 1	12b PBKS Apr 1	16b GT Apr 20
not out	c Jaiswal, long on · R Bishnoi	c Shepherd, deep bwd point · J Duffy	c Iyer, long on · M Jansen	c Phillips, deep mid wkt · M Siraj					

BY PHASE · CAREER SR

97 POWERPLAY 9% of balls · avg 21.1 · dot 55% · 2026 150 (6b)	134 MIDDLE 46% of balls · avg 37.7 · dot 33% · 2026 152 (31b)	170 DEATH 45% of balls · avg 24.9 · dot 29% · 2026 133 (30b)
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CAREER STRIKE RATE BY OVER

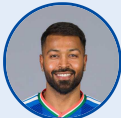
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
80	135	97	102	76	128	137	141	146	111	144	115	147	135	114	147	172	190	245	

Usually arrives over 14, stays to over 16.9, 12.0 balls a visit (17 inn since 2025); boxed: his usual overs

V CSK'S BOWLING TYPES · CAREER SR

153 V RA PACE 58 out in 1004b · 2026 119 · Overton, Kamboj	151 V LA PACE 17 out in 268b · 2026 160 · Singh, Ahmed, Choudhary	154 V OFF-SPIN 1 out in 162b · 2026 200 · Short	126 V LA ORTHODOX 7 out in 137b · 2026 75 · Hosein	115 V LA WRIST 0 out in 40b · 2026 -- · Ahmad
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SAY IT He strikes at 170 at the death, but falls every 9.7 balls there.



HARDIK PANDYA #33

ALL-PHASE · RIGHT-ARM MEDIUM-FAST · AGE 32

OVERSEAS No PRICE ₹16.35 Cr retained IPL DEBUT 2015 MI IPL MATCHES 157

~4 OVERS

2 PP + 2 Mid · overs 2, 4, 8, 10

ALL-ROUNDER · BOWLING CARD [batting card above](#)

He is 5th among MI's wicket-takers this season, with a share of the side's wickets, and took two of them in the two matches MI have won.



THE LINE

Pandya's season economy of 11.69 is among the worst in the league, yet he owns an 8.09 economy against Chennai; Samson has still scored at 179 off him.

WATCH FOR

- ▶ All 3 of his wickets this season came off good-length balls (2) and full tosses (1).
- ▶ Career economy 9.0 defending a total vs 9.5 bowling first.

LENGTHS · 2026

Good 35% (econ 12.4, 2 wkts) · Back of length 22% (econ 9.9) · Short 14% (econ 13.1) · Full toss 12% (econ 14.7, 1 wkt) · Full 10% (econ 10.5) · Yorker 8% (econ 8.0)

VARIATIONS · 2026

slower balls and cutters 12 of 78, econ 11.0 · 10 away swinger · 8 reverse in swinger · 3 in swinger

HOW HIS 3 WICKETS FELL

caught 2 · lbw 1

SEASON

3 ^{T-52nd} WICKETS best 1/18	11.69 ^{52nd} ECONOMY league 9.57	26.0 ^{45th} STRIKE RATE 5 inn	28% ^{46th} DOT BALLS 13 ov	50.7 ^{49th} AVERAGE boundary 29%
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IPL CAREER 112 inn · 284.2 ov · 81 wkts · econ 9.30 · avg 32.6 · SR 21.1 · best 5/36 · dot 35% · boundary 21%

FORM

2026 · LAST 5 OF 5					newest right				
1/39	0/17	1/39	0/39	1/18	3ov KKR	2ov RR	4ov RCB	3ov PBKS	1ov GT
Raghuvanshi		Kohli		Buttler					

BY PHASE · 2026 ECONOMY

12.00 POWERPLAY 46% of overs · 1 wkt · dot 39% · lg 9.74	10.80 MIDDLE 38% of overs · 1 wkt · dot 20% · lg 9.21	13.00 DEATH 15% of overs · 1 wkt · dot 17% · lg 10.11
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2026 · % OF HIS INNINGS BOWLING EACH OVER

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	60		60				20		40				20	20			20	20	

5 innings; boxed: his likeliest overs tonight

2026 · BY BATTER HAND

11.90 V RHB SR 19.3 · 58b · career 9.46	11.10 V LHB SR -- · 20b · career 8.97	1 LHB IN CSK TOP 7 Dube
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SAY IT Economy 11.69 this season, 8.09 against Chennai; Samson has taken him at 179.



MITCH SANTNER #74

MIDDLE OVERS · LEFT-ARM ORTHODOX · AGE 34

OVERSEAS No IPL DEBUT 2019 CSK IPL MATCHES 34

~4 OVERS

2 PP + 2 Mid · overs 4, 5, 7, 10

Mitch Santner grew up in Hamilton, came through Northern Districts and was called into New Zealand's side after the 2015 World Cup. He made his Test debut in the Adelaide day-night Test, later became the Black Caps' white-ball captain, and in Pune bowled New Zealand to their first Test series win in India. Mumbai Indians bought the left-arm spinner at a mega auction for ₹2 crore, following a long stint with Chennai Super Kings. He is 3rd among MI's wicket-takers this season, with a share of the side's wickets, and took two of them in the one match MI have won.



THE LINE

Santner's middle-overs economy of 6.00 stands out and he has Samson twice in seven balls, but Gaikwad has taken him at 233.

WATCH FOR

- ▶ All 4 of his wickets this season came off back-of-length balls (3) and full balls (1).
- ▶ Career economy 7.5 defending a total vs 7.3 bowling first.

LENGTHS · 2026

Back of length 47% (econ 8.1, 3 wkts) · Good 30% (econ 9.3) · Yorker 8% (econ 1.2) · Full 8% (econ 3.6, 1 wkt) · Full toss 3% (econ 15.0) · Short 3% (econ 18.0)

VARIATIONS · 2026

slower balls and cutters 0 of 60 · 58 left-arm orthodox stock · 1 quicker ball · 1 arm ball

HOW HIS 4 WICKETS FELL

caught 4

SEASON

4 ^{T-39th} WICKETS best 2/16	8.10 ^{11th} ECONOMY league 9.57	15.0 ^{18th} STRIKE RATE 3 inn	40% ^{14th} DOT BALLS 10 ov	20.2 ^{16th} AVERAGE boundary 20%
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IPL CAREER 34 inn · 110.3 ov · 29 wkts · econ 7.38 · avg 28.1 · SR 22.9 · best 3/11 · dot 36% · boundary 14%

FORM

2026 · LAST 3 OF 3			newest right		
1/22	1/43	2/16	3ov DC	4ov RCB	3ov GT
Nissanka	Patidar	Sundar, Phillips			

BY PHASE · 2026 ECONOMY

16.00 POWERPLAY 20% of overs · 0 wkts · dot 33% · lg 9.74	6.00 MIDDLE 70% of overs · 3 wkts · dot 40% · lg 9.21	7.00 DEATH 10% of overs · 1 wkt · dot 50% · lg 10.11
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2026 · % OF HIS INNINGS BOWLING EACH OVER

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
		33	33		67	33	33	67		33					33				

3 innings; boxed: his likeliest overs tonight

2026 · BY BATTER HAND

8.94 V RHB SR 17.7 · 53b · career 7.12	1.71 V LHB SR 7.0 · 7b · career 8.25	1 LHB IN CSK TOP 7 Dube
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SAY IT Middle overs go at 6.00; he has Samson twice in seven balls.

TONIGHT V CSK

career H2H · his likeliest bowlers

Gurjapneet Singh ^{p.19} **FIRST MEETING**
0 of his 9.1 overs in the powerplay; over 17 in 2 of 3 games.

Noor Ahmad ^{p.19} **FIRST MEETING**
1 of his 21 overs in the powerplay; over 15 in 2 of 6 games.

Anshul Kamboj ^{p.18} **FIRST MEETING**
8 of his 21.4 overs in the powerplay; over 18 in 4 of 6 games.

Khaleel Ahmed
37 off 26 · 3 out · SR 142 · 5×4 1×6

13 of his 16.5 overs in the powerplay; over 16 in 1 of 5 games · last 9 (5) · Mumbai, Apr 2024

ALSO FACES Overton first meeting · Hosein first meeting · Short first meeting · Choudhary first meeting

RECORD

v CSK, career 210 runs · SR 143.8 · avg 23.3 · 16 inn · HS 25*

At Wankhede Stadium 844 runs · SR 149.4 · avg 26.4 · 47 inn · HS 62*

Setting 1,632 runs · SR 147.2 · avg 30.2 · 77 inn · HS 87*

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KRISH BHAGAT

NEW BALL · RIGHT-ARM FAST · AGE 21
OVERSEAS No IPL DEBUT 2026 MI IPL MATCHES 1

~2 OVERS 2 PP · overs 4, 6

Krish Bhagat is a 21-year-old right-arm seamer from Jalandhar who bowls for Punjab. A spinal-cord injury interrupted his early years before a return through age-group and first-class cricket. Spells as a support bowler in the Mumbai Indians nets, and with the Reliance side at the DY Patil T20 Cup, earned him a call-up as replacement for the injured Atharva Ankolekar. He made his IPL debut against Gujarat Titans on April 20.



THE LINE

Bhagat has bowled two IPL overs, both in the powerplay, for an economy of 5.00, and now meets Chennai's top order for the first time.

LENGTHS · 2026

Good 50% (econ 4.0) · Back of length 42% (econ 2.4) · Full 8% (econ 24.0)

VARIATIONS · 2026

slower balls and cutters 0 of 12 · 1 in swinger

SEASON

0 ^{T-77th} WICKETS best 0/10	5.00 ^{12th} ECONOMY league 9.57	— STRIKE RATE 1 inn	50% ^{20th} DOT BALLS 22 ov	— AVERAGE boundary 8%
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IPL CAREER 1 inn · 2 ov · 0 wkts · econ 5.00 · avg — · SR — · best 0/10 · dot 50% · boundary 8%

FORM

2026 · LAST 1 OF 1	0/10 ^{20v GT}
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BY PHASE · 2026 ECONOMY

5.00 POWERPLAY 100% of overs · 0 wkts · dot 50% · lg 9.74	— MIDDLE 0% of overs · 0 wkts · dot — · lg 9.21	— DEATH 0% of overs · 0 wkts · dot — · lg 10.11
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2026 · % OF HIS INNINGS BOWLING EACH OVER

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
			100		100														

1 innings; boxed: his likeliest overs tonight

2026 · BY BATTER HAND

6.00 V RHB SR — · 8b · career 6.00	3.00 V LHB SR — · 4b · career 3.00	1 LHB IN CSK TOP 7 Dube
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SAY IT Two powerplay overs, economy 5.00; his first look at Chennai's top order.



JASPRIT BUMRAH #93

ALL-PHASE · RIGHT-ARM FAST-MEDIUM · AGE 32
OVERSEAS No PRICE ₹18.00 Cr retained IPL DEBUT 2013 MI IPL MATCHES 151

~4 OVERS 3 PP + 1 Mid · overs 1, 2, 6, 13

Jasprit Bumrah grew up in Ahmedabad, playing gully cricket before breaking into the Gujarat side through the Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy. Mumbai Indians spotted him at that tournament and signed him in 2013, and he has never played for another IPL franchise. He went on to debut for India and win five IPL titles with Mumbai. He returned to this MI side after a workload-management programme following India's T20 World Cup defence. He is 6th among MI's wicket-takers this season, with a share of the side's wickets, and took one of them in the two matches MI have won.



THE LINE

Bumrah's powerplay economy of 7.50 opens the innings, and he has Dube three times in 35 balls, though Gaikwad has scored at 171 off him.

WATCH FOR

- 5th on the all-time IPL wicket list with 187.
- Economy 7.5 in the powerplay vs 9.8 at the death; 1 powerplay wickets, 0 at the death.
- Against left-handers a wicket every 39.0 balls (economy 8.3); against right-handers no wicket in 93 balls (economy 8.1).
- His only wicket this season came off good-length balls (1).
- Cutters and slower balls go at 7.9 an over (0 wkts) vs 8.3 for his stock ball.

LENGTHS · 2026

Good 39% (econ 8.5, 1 wkt) · Full toss 17% (econ 9.0) · Short 17% (econ 10.1) · Full 13% (econ 8.1) · Yorker 8% (econ 3.3) · Back of length 7% (econ 5.3)

VARIATIONS · 2026

slower balls and cutters 45 of 132, econ 7.9 · 10 in swinger · 9 reverse in swinger · 8 away swinger

HOW HIS WICKET FELL

caught 1

SEASON

1 ^{T-65th} WICKETS best 1/15	8.14 ^{12th} ECONOMY league 9.57	132.0 ^{54th} STRIKE RATE 6 inn	37% ^{20th} DOT BALLS 22 ov	179.0 ^{54th} AVERAGE boundary 18%
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IPL CAREER 151 inn · 578.1 ov · 184 wkts · econ 7.28 · avg 22.9 · SR 18.9 · best 5/10 · dot 42% · boundary 14%

FORM

2026 · LAST 6 OF 6	0/35 ^{40v KKR}	0/21 ^{40v DC}	0/32 ^{30v RR}	0/35 ^{40v RCB}	0/41 ^{40v PBKS}	1/15 ^{30v GT Sudharsan}
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BY PHASE · 2026 ECONOMY

7.50 POWERPLAY 45% of overs · 1 wkt · dot 45% · lg 9.74	7.86 MIDDLE 32% of overs · 0 wkts · dot 33% · lg 9.21	9.80 DEATH 23% of overs · 0 wkts · dot 27% · lg 10.11
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2026 · % OF HIS INNINGS BOWLING EACH OVER

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
17	50	17	17	17	50	17			17			17	33	17	17	17	17	17	17

6 innings; boxed: his likeliest overs tonight

2026 · BY BATTER HAND

8.06 V RHB SR — · 93b · career 7.64	8.31 V LHB SR 39.0 · 39b · career 6.53	1 LHB IN CSK TOP 7 Dube
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SAY IT Powerplay economy 7.50, and Dube has fallen to him three times in 35 balls.



AM GHAZANFAR

MIDDLE OVERS · RIGHT-ARM OFF-BREAK · AGE 20
OVERSEAS Yes PRICE ₹4.80 Cr retained IPL DEBUT 2026 MI IPL MATCHES 4

~4 OVERS 3 PP + 1 Mid · overs 3, 5, 6, 9

Allah Mohammad Ghazanfar, born in Paktia Province and raised in Kabul, took up cricket during the Covid lockdown as a fast bowler before switching to off-spin under former Afghanistan captain Dawlat Ahmadzai. He debuted for Afghanistan against Ireland as a teenager, then claimed six for 26 against Bangladesh in Sharjah, the country's second-best ODI figures. Mumbai Indians bought him at the mega auction and retained him; a back injury cost him his first IPL season, but he made his debut against Kolkata this March. He is 1st among MI's wicket-takers this season, with more than a fifth of the side's wickets, and took two of them in the two matches MI have won.



THE LINE

Ghazanfar's six wickets have all come off good length or back of length, and defending a total he goes at 7.02; this Chennai top order has never faced him.

WATCH FOR

- All 6 of his wickets this season came off good-length balls (5) and back-of-length balls (1).
- Career economy 7.0 defending a total vs 12.0 bowling first.

LENGTHS · 2026

Good 61% (econ 8.6, 5 wkts) · Back of length 23% (econ 10.0, 1 wkt) · Full 10% (econ 12.0) · Full toss 3% (econ 6.0) · Short 3% (econ 15.0)

VARIATIONS · 2026

slower balls and cutters 0 of 77 · 32 off break · 31 carrom ball · 14 quicker ball

HOW HIS 6 WICKETS FELL

caught 3 · lbw 2 · stumped 1

SEASON

6 ^{T-17th} WICKETS best 2/17	9.35 ^{30th} ECONOMY league 9.57	12.8 ^{10th} STRIKE RATE 4 inn	36% ^{22nd} DOT BALLS 12.5 ov	20.0 ^{T-14th} AVERAGE boundary 21%
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IPL CAREER 4 inn · 12.5 ov · 6 wkts · econ 9.35 · avg 20.0 · SR 12.8 · best 2/17 · dot 36% · boundary 21%

FORM

2026 · LAST 4 OF 4	0/51 ^{40v KKR}	2/21 ^{20v RR Jurel, Parag}	2/31 ^{40v PBKS Arya, Connolly}	2/17 ^{2.50v GT Rabada, Siraj}
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BY PHASE · 2026 ECONOMY

10.00 POWERPLAY 31% of overs · 3 wkts · dot 46% · lg 9.74	9.88 MIDDLE 62% of overs · 1 wkt · dot 25% · lg 9.21	1.20 DEATH 6% of overs · 2 wkts · dot 100% · lg 10.11
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2026 · % OF HIS INNINGS BOWLING EACH OVER

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
			50	25	25	25	25	75		25	25			25	25				

4 innings; boxed: his likeliest overs tonight

2026 · BY BATTER HAND

9.85 V RHB SR 17.7 · 53b · career 9.85	8.25 V LHB SR 8.0 · 24b · career 8.25	1 LHB IN CSK TOP 7 Dube
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SAY IT Six wickets, all off length; defending a total he goes at 7.02.

TONIGHT V CSK

Matt Short p.17 meets in overs 4 PP (1/2), 6 PP (2/2)	FIRST MEETING RHB · #4
Ruturaj Gaikwad p.16 meets in overs 4 PP (3/6), 6 PP (3/6)	FIRST MEETING RHB · #2
Ayush Mhatre p.16 meets in overs 4 PP (4/6), 6 PP (2/6)	FIRST MEETING RHB · #3
Sarfaraz Khan p.17 meets in overs 4 PP (2/6), 6 PP (3/6)	FIRST MEETING RHB · #5

ALSO BOWLS TO Samson first meeting · Brevis first meeting · Dube first meeting

RECORD

Defending 0 wkts · econ 5.00 · SR — · 1 inn · best 0/10

TONIGHT V CSK

Sanju Samson p.16 64 off 61 · 2 out · SR 105 · 9×4 meets in overs 1 PP (6/6), 2 PP (6/6) · last 11 (7) Apr 24	RHB · #1
Sarfaraz Khan p.17 24 off 17 · 1 out · SR 141 · 2×4 2×6 meets in overs 2 PP (1/6), 6 PP (3/6) · last 6 (2) May 22	RHB · #5
Ruturaj Gaikwad p.16 29 off 17 · 0 out · SR 171 · 2×4 2×6 meets in overs 2 PP (5/6), 6 PP (3/6) · last 3 (4) Apr 24	RHB · #2
Shivam Dube p.18 23 off 35 · 3 out · SR 66 · 2×4 meets in overs 13 Mid (2/6), 17 Death (3/6) · last 4 (9) Apr 25	LHB · #7

ALSO BOWLS TO Mhatre first meeting · Short first meeting · Brevis first meeting

RECORD

v CSK, career 14 wkts · econ 7.57 · SR 26.4 · 16 inn · best 2/10

At Wankhede Stadium 64 wkts · econ 7.30 · SR 18.8 · 51 inn · best 5/21

Bowling first 89 wkts · econ 7.37 · SR 19.5 · 73 inn · best 5/10

Defending 95 wkts · econ 7.20 · SR 18.3 · 78 inn · best 4/14



ASHWANI KUMAR

MIDDLE OVERS · LEFT-ARM FAST-MEDIUM · AGE 24
OVERSEAS No PRICE ₹30.00 L retained IPL DEBUT 2025 MI IPL MATCHES 8

~4 OVERS 1 PP + 3 Mid · overs 5, 11, 13, 15

Ashwani Kumar is a left-arm seamer from Jhanjeri, a village in Punjab's Mohali district, who plays his domestic cricket for Punjab. A first-class debutant for Punjab in 2019, he spent years on the fringes through injuries and limited chances before Mumbai Indians signed him at auction. In his maiden IPL appearance against Kolkata Knight Riders he claimed four wickets, becoming the first Indian to take a four-wicket haul on IPL debut. Mumbai Indians retained him ahead of this season. He is 3rd among MI's wicket-takers this season, with a share of the side's wickets, and took four of them in the one match MI have won.



THE LINE

Ashwani's four wickets cost 6.00 an over through the middle, but Mhatre and Dube have taken him for 17 off 4 and 13 off 3.

WATCH FOR

- ▶ All 4 of his wickets this season came off back-of-length balls (3) and short balls (1).
- ▶ Career economy 9.2 defending a total vs 13.1 bowling first.

LENGTHS · 2026

Back of length 50% (econ 3.0, 3 wkts) · Good 25% (econ 10.0)
· Short 17% (econ 10.5, 1 wkt) · Yorker 8% (econ 3.0)

VARIATIONS · 2026

slower balls and cutters 3 of 24, 1 wkt

HOW HIS 4 WICKETS FELL

caught 4

SEASON

4 T-39th WICKETS best 4/24	6.00 ECONOMY league 9.57	6.0 STRIKE RATE 1 inn	58% DOT BALLS 4 ov	6.0 AVERAGE boundary 17%
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IPL CAREER 8 inn · 24.3 ov · 15 wkts · econ 10.45 · avg 17.1 · SR 9.8 · best 4/24 · dot 35% · boundary 25%

FORM

2026 · LAST 1 OF 1

4/24

4ov GT
Gill,
Tewatia,
Khan,
Khan

BY PHASE · 2026 ECONOMY

6.00 POWERPLAY 25% of overs · 1 wkt · dot 50% · lg 9.74	6.00 MIDDLE 75% of overs · 3 wkts · dot 61% · lg 9.21	— DEATH 0% of overs · 0 wkts · dot —% · lg 10.11
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2026 · % OF HIS INNINGS BOWLING EACH OVER



1 innings; boxed: his likeliest overs tonight

2026 · BY BATTER HAND

2.57 V RHB SR 2.3 · 7b · career 11.04	7.41 V LHB SR 17.0 · 17b · career 9.73	1 LHB IN CSK TOP 7 Dube
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SAY IT Four wickets at 6.00 this season; Mhatre took 17 off his 4 balls.

TONIGHT V CSK

career H2H · overs met (games)

Matt Short p.17 **FIRST MEETING**
meets in overs 5 PP (2/2), 11 Mid (1/2) RHB · #4

Ayush Mhatre p.16 RHB · #3
17 off 4 · 0 out · SR 425 · 1×4 2×6
meets in overs 5 PP (3/6), 11 Mid (2/6) · last 17 (4) Apr 25

Dewald Brevis p.17 **FIRST MEETING** RHB · #6
meets in overs 11 Mid (2/3), 13 Mid (1/3)

Shivam Dube p.18 LHB · #7
13 off 3 · 0 out · SR 433 · 2×6
meets in overs 13 Mid (2/6), 15 Mid (2/6) · last 13 (3) Apr 25

ALSO BOWLS TO Samson first meeting · Gaikwad first meeting · Khan first meeting

RECORD

v CSK, career 1 wkt · econ 21.00 · SR 12.0 · 1 inn · best 1/42

At Wankhede Stadium 7 wkts · econ 10.44 · SR 7.7 · 3 inn · best 4/24

Bowling first 6 wkts · econ 13.12 · SR 8.0 · 3 inn · best 4/24

Defending 9 wkts · econ 9.15 · SR 11.0 · 5 inn · best 4/24



MATT SHORT

TOP ORDER · RHB · AGE 30Y 166D

OVERSEAS Yes PRICE – IPL DEBUT 2023 IPL MATCHES 8

BATS #4 Started 2 of 6 games; never an Impact sub

Matt Short grew up in Ballarat and came through Victorian cricket before a move to the top of the Adelaide Strikers' order reshaped his white-ball career. The right-handed all-rounder and off-spinner represented Australia at the 2014 Under-19 World Cup and has since been capped in both one-day and Twenty20 internationals. Twice Big Bash player of the tournament, he joined Chennai Super Kings for his base price of ₹1.5 crore, having earlier played in the IPL for Punjab Kings. He linked up with the squad while recovering from a thumb fracture.



THE LINE

Short has been dismissed three times in ten balls by leg-spin at a strike rate of 40, and Mumbai's Markande will target a number four averaging 18 this season.

HOW HE IS OUT

8 IPL dismissals: caught, leg side 3 · caught, off side 1 · bowled 3 · lbw 1

WHERE HE SCORES

Square leg 24% · Mid-wicket 20% · Long-on 15% · Cover 13% of career runs

CAREER V THE OTHER BOWLING TYPES · SR (BALLS, OUTS)

LA wrist
57
(7, 0)

SEASON

36 ^{73rd} RUNS 2 inn · HS 34	18.0 AVERAGE career 19.1	97.3 STRIKE RATE career 118.6	12.3 BALLS / 4-6 3 4s+6s · 0+50	35% DOT BALLS 37 faced
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IPL CAREER 8 inn · 153 runs · avg 19.1 · SR 118.6 · 0+50 0+100 · HS 36 · 5.9 balls per 4-6 · dot 45%

FORM

LAST 5 INNS

8 7b RCB Apr 20 Bowled · W Hasaranga	11 10b MI Apr 22 c Chawla, sq leg · C Green	27 26b MI May 3 Bowled · P Chawla	2 7b RR Mar 30 c Jaiswal, mid wkt · S Sharma	34 30b SRH Apr 18 c Verma, deep mid wkt · E Malinga
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BY PHASE · CAREER SR

128 POWERPLAY 69% of balls · avg 22.8 · dot 53% · 2026 64 (11b)	100 MIDDLE 30% of balls · avg 19.5 · dot 26% · 2026 116 (25b)	0 DEATH 1% of balls · avg 0.0 · dot 100% · 2026 0 (1b)
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CAREER STRIKE RATE BY OVER

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
118	140	136	115	116	140	67		50											

Usually arrives over 4, stays to over 11.0, 18.5 balls a visit (2 inn since 2025); boxed: his usual overs

V MI'S BOWLING TYPES · CAREER SR

132 V RA PACE 3 out in 69b · 2026 93 · Bumrah, Thakur, Pandya, Bhagat, Chahar	124 V LA PACE 1 out in 29b · 2026 – · Kumar, Boult	140 V OFF-SPIN 1 out in 5b · 2026 – · Ghazanfar	40 V LEG-SPIN 3 out in 10b · 2026 – · Markande	122 V LA ORTHODOX 0 out in 9b · 2026 233 · Santner
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SAY IT Three times out in ten balls to leg-spin; Markande will fancy this.

SARFARAZ KHAN #97

MIDDLE ORDER · RHB · AGE 28Y 183D

OVERSEAS No PRICE ₹75.00 L sold 2026 IPL DEBUT 2015 IPL MATCHES 56

BATS #5 Started 5 of 6 games; Impact sub in 1

Sarfaraz Khan is a Mumbai-born batter who learned the game under his father and coach, Naushad Khan, and built his name in Ranji Trophy cricket for Mumbai. He received his Test cap No. 311 from Anil Kumble at Rajkot in February 2024 and scored fifties in both innings against England on debut. After going unsold in the two previous IPL auctions, he joined CSK for the 2026 season. In April he presented his father a CSK shirt bearing No. 97, the number he wears in tribute to him.



THE LINE

Sarfaraz strikes 197 on powerplay balls and 270 at the death this season, but his career middle-overs rate of 107 is where CSK's number five actually bats.

WATCH FOR

► **5 to 25 IPL sixes:** 151st to reach; 6 for CSK.

HOW HE IS OUT

31 IPL dismissals: caught, leg side 13 · caught, off side 6 · caught, keeper 4 · bowled 3 · lbw 2 · stumped 2 · run out 1

WHERE HE SCORES

Mid-wicket 20% · Point 17% · Third man 14% · Square leg 13% of career runs

CAREER V THE OTHER BOWLING TYPES · SR (BALLS, OUTS)

LA wrist
125
(12, 0)

SEASON

147 ^{32nd} RUNS 5 inn · HS 50	29.4 ^{35th} AVERAGE career 23.6	170.9 ^{14th} STRIKE RATE career 137.1	3.3 ^{6th} BALLS / 4-6 26 4s+6s · 1+50	38% ^{43rd} DOT BALLS 86 faced
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IPL CAREER 41 inn · 732 runs · avg 23.6 · SR 137.1 · 2+50 0+100 · HS 67 · 5.2 balls per 4-6 · dot 35%

FORM

LAST 5 INNS

17 12b RCB Mar 30 LBW · R Jadeja	32 12b PBKS Apr 3 c Wadhera, long on · V Vynhak	50 25b RCB Apr 5 St J Sharma · K Pandya	23 18b KKR Apr 14 Bowled · S Narine	25 19b SRH Apr 18 c Reddy, deep mid wkt · E Malinga
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BY PHASE · CAREER SR

152 POWERPLAY 19% of balls · avg 52.7 · dot 45% · 2026 197 (35b)	107 MIDDLE 47% of balls · avg 19.1 · dot 37% · 2026 124 (41b)	170 DEATH 34% of balls · avg 21.9 · dot 25% · 2026 270 (10b)
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CAREER STRIKE RATE BY OVER

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
		210	188	122	145	79	79	163	85	105	112	121	94	126	138	147	145	240	194

Usually arrives over 6, stays to over 12.0, 17.2 balls a visit (5 inn since 2025); boxed: his usual overs

V MI'S BOWLING TYPES · CAREER SR

151 V RA PACE 13 out in 279b · 2026 198 · Bumrah, Pandya, Thakur, Bhagat, Chahar	154 V LA PACE 4 out in 68b · 2026 209 · Kumar, Boult	79 V OFF-SPIN 4 out in 34b · 2026 17 · Ghazanfar	116 V LEG-SPIN 5 out in 75b · 2026 180 · Markande	115 V LA ORTHODOX 4 out in 66b · 2026 89 · Santner
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SAY IT Middle overs have been his problem all career: a strike rate of 107.

DEWALD BREVIS #17

MIDDLE ORDER · RHB · AGE 22Y 359D

OVERSEAS Yes PRICE ₹2.20 Cr retained 2026 IPL DEBUT 2022 IPL MATCHES 19

BATS #6 Started 3 of 6 games; never an Impact sub

say DAY-vuhld BREV-iss

Dewald Brevis grew up in Sandton, Gauteng, and plays domestic cricket for the Titans. He broke out at the 2022 Under-19 World Cup, leading the run charts with 506 and winning the Player of the Tournament award, earning the 'Baby AB' tag. He made his South Africa T20I debut in 2023 and struck an unbeaten 125 against Australia, the highest T20I score by a South African. Mumbai Indians signed him in 2022; in 2025 he joined Chennai Super Kings as a replacement for the injured Gurjapneet Singh, and a side strain delayed his start this season.



THE LINE

Since 2024 Brevis strikes at 174 against pace but is out every 12 balls, and a number six role against Bumrah and Boult at the death is exactly that high-risk brief.

WATCH FOR

► **4 to 500 IPL runs:** 163rd to reach; 266 for CSK.
► **Scores faster v pace:** SR 174, out every 12 balls since 2024; v spin it is SR 136, out every 56 balls.

HOW HE IS OUT

18 IPL dismissals: caught, leg side 2 · caught, off side 8 · caught, keeper 1 · caught, no zone 1 · bowled 3 · lbw 2 · stumped 1

WHERE HE SCORES

Mid-wicket 25% · Long-on 21% · Long-off 18% · Cover 16% of career runs

CAREER V THE OTHER BOWLING TYPES · SR (BALLS, OUTS)

LA wrist
122
(18, 1)

SEASON

41 ^{68th} RUNS 2 inn · HS 41	20.5 AVERAGE career 27.6	124.2 STRIKE RATE career 150.3	5.5 BALLS / 4-6 6 4s+6s · 0+50	45% DOT BALLS 33 faced
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IPL CAREER 18 inn · 496 runs · avg 27.6 · SR 150.3 · 2+50 0+100 · HS 57 · 4.8 balls per 4-6 · dot 38%

FORM

LAST 5 INNS

52 25b KKR May 7 c Singh, long on · V Chakaravarthi	42 25b RR May 20 Bowled · A Medhwal	57 23b GT May 25 c Buttler, third man · P Krishna	41 29b KKR Apr 14 c Arora, sh third man · K Tyagi	0 14b SRH Apr 18 c Livingstone, long off · S Kumar
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BY PHASE · CAREER SR

120 POWERPLAY 21% of balls · avg 28.0 · dot 51% · 2026 – (0b)	150 MIDDLE 70% of balls · avg 31.5 · dot 36% · 2026 104 (25b)	232 DEATH 8% of balls · avg 16.2 · dot 29% · 2026 188 (8b)
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CAREER STRIKE RATE BY OVER

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
		67	129	162	126	130	123	167	159	193	168	142	131	27	271	200			

Usually arrives over 7, stays to over 15.2, 19.8 balls a visit (8 inn since 2025); boxed: his usual overs

V MI'S BOWLING TYPES · CAREER SR

162 V RA PACE 11 out in 136b · 2026 127 · Bumrah, Thakur, Pandya, Chahar, Bhagat	126 V LA PACE 3 out in 31b · 2026 – · Kumar, Boult	179 V OFF-SPIN 0 out in 34b · 2026 167 · Ghazanfar	161 V LEG-SPIN 3 out in 72b · 2026 138 · Markande	97 V LA ORTHODOX 0 out in 39b · 2026 33 · Santner
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SAY IT Strikes at 174 against pace since 2024, but falls every 12 balls.



SHIVAM DUBE

#25 say SHIV-um DOOB

LOWER ORDER · LHB · AGE 32Y 301D

OVERSEAS No PRICE ₹12.00 Cr retained 2026 IPL DEBUT 2019 IPL MATCHES 85

BATS #7

Started all 6 games; never an Impact sub

Shivam Dube grew up in Mumbai and came through the Mumbai state side, first noticed for hitting five sixes in a single over, a feat he repeated in the Ranji Trophy. It led to an India debut and a place in India's T20 World Cup-winning squads. Bought by Royal Challengers Bangalore and then Rajasthan Royals, he arrived at CSK in the auction and has stayed since, and this season he has spoken about the side bouncing back from a winless start.



THE LINE

Dube strikes at 154 against pace since 2024, but Bumrah has dismissed him three times in 35 balls at a rate of 66, and the death overs bring them together.

WATCH FOR

- ▶ 18 to 2,000 IPL runs: 57th to reach; 1,583 for CSK, 9th on club list.
- ▶ Scores faster v pace: SR 154, out every 27 balls since 2024; v spin it is SR 131, out every 21 balls.
- ▶ Falls fastest at the death: out every 19.2 balls (SR 173) in overs 16–20, against every 27.1 in overs 7–15.

HOW HE IS OUT

64 IPL dismissals: caught, leg side 23 · caught, off side 19 · caught, keeper 5 · bowled 11 · lbw 3 · run out 3

WHERE HE SCORES

Mid-wicket 25% · Long-on 23% · Long-off 17% · Cover 11% of career runs

CAREER V THE OTHER BOWLING TYPES · SR (BALLS, OUTS)

LA wrist
62
(16, 2)

SEASON

123^{44th}
RUNS
6 inn · HS 45*

41.0^{19th}
AVERAGE
career 31.0

150.0^{33rd}
STRIKE RATE
career 144.0

5.1^{40th}
BALLS / 4-6
16 4s+6s · 0+50

30%^{24th}
DOT BALLS
82 faced

IPL CAREER 81 inn · 1,982 runs · avg 31.0 · SR 144.0 · 10×50 0×100 · HS 95* · 5.6 balls per 4-6 · dot 34%

FORM

newest right

LAST 5 INNS

45*
27b PBKS Apr
not out

18
13b RCB Apr 5
c fSharma · A Singh

20*
10b DC Apr 11
not out

13*
12b KKR Apr 14
not out

21
1416b SRH Apr 18
Bowled · S Hussain

BY PHASE · CAREER SR

80
POWERPLAY
3% of balls · avg -- · dot 58%
- 2026 -- (0b)

136
MIDDLE
68% of balls · avg 35.4 · dot 34% · 2026 130 (37b)

169
DEATH
30% of balls · avg 25.3 · dot 31% · 2026 167 (45b)

CAREER STRIKE RATE BY OVER

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20
73 92 130 104 126 127 132 137 125 137 146 184 133 189 153 221

Usually arrives over 9, stays to over 15.8, 17.6 balls a visit (20 inn since 2025); boxed: his usual overs

V MI'S BOWLING TYPES · CAREER SR

138
V RA PACE
30 out in 690b · 2026 140 · Bumrah, Pandya, Thakur, Chahar, Bhagat

181
V LA PACE
10 out in 166b · 2026 200 · Kumar, Boult

124
V OFF-SPIN
5 out in 195b · 2026 50 · Ghazanfar

150
V LEG-SPIN
9 out in 234b · 2026 67 · Markande

170
V LA ORTHODOX
4 out in 71b · 2026 180 · Santner

SAY IT Three dismissals in 35 balls to Bumrah, at a strike rate of 66.



JAMIE OVERTON

#88

MIDDLE OVERS · RIGHT-ARM FAST-MEDIUM · AGE 32

OVERSEAS Yes PRICE ₹1.50 Cr retained IPL DEBUT 2025 CSK IPL MATCHES 8

~4 OVERS

2 Mid + 2 Death · overs 8, 14, 16, 19

Jamie Overton, the Barnstaple-born twin brother of England seamer Craig, is a 6 ft 5 in right-arm fast bowling all-rounder. He came through Somerset's academy, moved to Surrey, won the County Championship with them and was named Player of the Tournament in the Hundred. He made his England Test debut against New Zealand at Headingley, then added T20I and ODI caps and played in England's T20 World Cup campaign. Chennai Super Kings bought him at his ₹1.50 crore base price at the auction and retained him for this season. He is 2nd among CSK's wicket-takers this season, with more than a fifth of the side's wickets, and took four of them in the two matches CSK have won.



THE LINE

Overton's death economy of 12.17 is where this season bites, and he brings it to a Wankhede ground where he has gone for 14.50 an over without a wicket.

WATCH FOR

- ▶ 7 of his 8 wickets this season came off good-length balls (4) and back-of-length balls (3).
- ▶ Career economy 9.3 defending a total vs 12.1 bowling first.

LENGTHS · 2026

Back of length 36% (econ 7.9, 3 wkts) · Good 34% (econ 8.9, 4 wkts) · Full 12% (econ 13.1, 1 wkt) · Short 12% (econ 13.6) · Yorker 3% (econ 4.0) · Full toss 2% (econ 12.0)

VARIATIONS · 2026

slower balls and cutters 20 of 90, econ 8.4, 1 wkt · 2 reverse in swinger · 1 away swinger

HOW HIS 8 WICKETS FELL

caught 6 · bowled 2

SEASON

8^{T-9th}
WICKETS
best 4/18

9.53^{34th}
ECONOMY
league 9.57

11.2^{2nd}
STRIKE RATE
5 inn

33%^{T-29th}
DOT BALLS
15 ov

17.9^{7th}
AVERAGE
boundary 20%

IPL CAREER 8 inn · 21 ov · 8 wkts · econ 10.76 · avg 28.2 · SR 15.8 · best 4/18 · dot 32% · boundary 23%

FORM

newest right

2026 · LAST 5 OF 5

0/14
1ov RR

1/42
3ov RCB Padikkal

4/18
4ov DC Rizvi, Miller, Nabi, Stubbs

0/32
3ov KKR

3/37
4ov SRH Sharma, Verma, Reddy

BY PHASE · 2026 ECONOMY

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POWERPLAY
0% of overs · 0 wkts · dot -- · lg 9.74

7.78
MIDDLE
60% of overs · 6 wkts · dot 35% · lg 9.21

12.17
DEATH
40% of overs · 2 wkts · dot 31% · lg 10.11

2026 · % OF HIS INNINGS BOWLING EACH OVER

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20
60 20 20 20 40 20 40 20 20 60

5 innings; boxed: his likeliest overs tonight

2026 · BY BATTER HAND

9.92
V RHB
SR 14.4 · 72b · career 10.80

8.00
V LHB
SR 6.0 · 18b · career 10.67

3
LHB IN MI TOP 7

de Kock, Varma, Rutherford

SAY IT Death economy 12.17, and Wankhede has taken 14.50 an over off him.



ANSHUL KAMBOJ

#47

NEW BALL & DEATH · RIGHT-ARM FAST-MEDIUM · AGE 25

OVERSEAS No PRICE ₹3.40 Cr retained IPL DEBUT 2024 MI IPL MATCHES 17

~4 OVERS

2 PP + 2 Death · overs 4, 5, 18, 20

Anshul Kamboj is a right-arm seamer from Karnal in Haryana who came through the state's domestic system, making his first-class debut against Tripura in February 2022. He took all ten Kerala wickets in a single Ranji Trophy innings, just the third bowler to do it, and in July 2025 he made his India Test debut against England at Old Trafford. Mumbai Indians gave him his IPL start in 2024; Chennai Super Kings signed him at the 2025 auction, and he began IPL 2026 on top of the league's wicket chart. He is CSK's leading wicket-taker this season, with more than a third of the side's wickets, and took five of them in the two matches CSK have won.



THE LINE

Kamboj leads the league with a wicket every ten balls and has struck in nine straight, but his Wankhede economy of 12.86, against 8.32 when defending, is the line to watch.

WATCH FOR

- ▶ 2 to 25 IPL wickets: 148th to reach; 21 for CSK.
- ▶ Streak: Wicket in 9 straight matches, a career best.
- ▶ Economy 10.8 in the powerplay vs 9.1 at the death; 3 powerplay wickets, 7 at the death.
- ▶ Against left-handers a wicket every 13.0 balls (economy 8.9); against right-handers a wicket every 9.1 balls (economy 10.1).
- ▶ 8 of his 13 wickets this season came off good-length balls (5) and full tosses (3).
- ▶ Career economy 8.3 defending a total vs 10.4 bowling first.

LENGTHS · 2026

Good 37% (econ 8.8, 5 wkts) · Full 20% (econ 9.0, 3 wkts) · Back of length 14% (econ 10.7, 1 wkt) · Full toss 13% (econ 12.0, 3 wkts) · Yorker 12% (econ 9.4, 1 wkt) · Short 4% (econ 13.2)

VARIATIONS · 2026

slower balls and cutters 2 of 130, 1 wkt · 6 away swinger · 4 in swinger · 2 seam away

HOW HIS 13 WICKETS FELL

caught 11 · bowled 2

SEASON

13^{T-1st}
WICKETS
best 3/22

9.74^{38th}
ECONOMY
league 9.57

10.0^{1st}
STRIKE RATE
6 inn

41%^{12th}
DOT BALLS
21.4 ov

16.2^{3rd}
AVERAGE
boundary 28%

IPL CAREER 17 inn · 53.1 ov · 23 wkts · econ 9.35 · avg 21.6 · SR 13.9 · best 3/13 · dot 40% · boundary 24%

FORM

newest right

2026 · LAST 6 OF 6

2/27
3ov RR Sooryavanshi Jurel

2/43
3.4ov PBKS Connolly, Iyer

1/52
4ov RCB Kohli

3/35
4ov DC Nissanka, Yadav, Ngidi

2/32
4ov KKR Allen, Singh

3/22
3ov SRH Klaassen, Kumar, Livingstone

BY PHASE · 2026 ECONOMY

10.75
POWERPLAY
37% of overs · 3 wkts · dot 42% · lg 9.74

9.25
MIDDLE
18% of overs · 3 wkts · dot 38% · lg 9.21

9.10
DEATH
45% of overs · 7 wkts · dot 41% · lg 10.11

2026 · % OF HIS INNINGS BOWLING EACH OVER

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20
17 67 33 17 33 17 17 17 17 17 67 17 67

6 innings; boxed: his likeliest overs tonight

2026 · BY BATTER HAND

10.09
V RHB
SR 9.1 · 91b · career 8.95

8.92
V LHB
SR 13.0 · 39b · career 9.87

3
LHB IN MI TOP 7

de Kock, Varma, Rutherford

TONIGHT V MI

career H2H · overs met (games)

Quinton de Kock p.11

LHB · #1

8 off 5 · 1 out · SR 160 · 1+6 meets in overs 4 PP (2/2), 18 Death (1/2) · last 8 (5) Apr 25

Naman Dhir p.11

RHB · #3

meets in overs 4 PP (2/6), 5 PP (3/6)

Hardik Pandya p.13

RHB · #6

meets in overs 4 PP (1/5), 18 Death (3/5)

Sherfane Rutherford p.12

LHB · #7

0 off 2 · 1 out · SR 0

meets in overs 18 Death (2/6), 20 Death (2/6) · last 0 (2) May 25

ALSO BOWLS TO Malewar first meeting · Yadav first meeting · Varma first meeting

RECORD

At Wankhede Stadium 1 wkt · econ 12.86 · SR 42.0 · 2 inn · best 1/42

Bowling first 8 wkts · econ 10.42 · SR 19.5 · 8 inn · best 3/22

Defending 15 wkts · econ 8.32 · SR 10.9 · 9 inn · best 3/13



NOOR AHMAD #51

MIDDLE OVERS · LEFT-ARM UNORTHODOX · AGE 21

OVERSEAS Yes PRICE ₹10.00 Cr retained IPL DEBUT 2023 GT IPL MATCHES 43

~4 OVERS 4 Mid · overs 7, 9, 10, 11

Noor Ahmad was born in Herat and came through Afghanistan's age-group system, making a first-class debut for Kabul Region as a teenager and becoming the youngest man to play in Australia's Big Bash League. He won Player of the Match on his Afghanistan T20I debut against Zimbabwe, and this season a net session with M S Dhoni helped him find form against Kolkata Knight Riders. Gujarat Titans released him before Chennai Super Kings signed him at auction. He is 3rd among CSK's wicket-takers this season, with a share of the side's wickets, and took four of them in the two matches CSK have won.



THE LINE

Noor has taken seven wickets against Mumbai at 8.63 an over, but two Wankhede visits have brought none at 10.57, and his middle-overs spell of 8.72 is the real test.

WATCH FOR

- ▶ Against left-handers a wicket every 45.0 balls (economy 9.1); against right-handers a wicket every 27.0 balls (economy 9.9).
- ▶ All 4 of his wickets this season came off good-length balls (4).
- ▶ Career economy 8.8 defending a total vs 7.8 bowling first.

LENGTHS · 2026

Good 48% (econ 10.1, 4 wkts) · Back of length 38% (econ 8.6) · Short 10% (econ 7.4) · Full 3% (econ 19.5)

VARIATIONS · 2026

slower balls and cutters 0 of 126 · 64 googly · 56 left-arm unorthodox stock · 6 quicker ball

HOW HIS 4 WICKETS FELL

caught 3 · bowled 1

SEASON

4	9.57	31.5	28%	50.2
WICKETS	ECONOMY	STRIKE RATE	DOT BALLS	AVERAGE
best 3/21	league 9.57	6 inn	21 ov	boundary 17%

IPL CAREER 43 inn · 153 ov · 52 wkts · econ 8.29 · avg 24.4 · SR 17.7 · best 4/18 · dot 35% · boundary 16%

FORM

2026 · LAST 6 OF 6	0/24	0/38	0/49	1/36	3/21	0/33
	2ov RR	4ov PBKS	4ov RCB	3ov DC Sharma	4ov KKR Rahane, Green, Singh	4ov SRH

BY PHASE · 2026 ECONOMY

15.00	8.72	14.50
POWERPLAY	MIDDLE	DEATH
5% of overs · 0 wkts · dot 33% · lg 9.74	86% of overs · 4 wkts · dot 28% · lg 9.21	10% of overs · 0 wkts · dot 25% · lg 10.11

2026 · % OF HIS INNINGS BOWLING EACH OVER

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
						17	50	17	33	33	67	17	33	17	33	17	17		

6 innings; boxed: his likeliest overs tonight

2026 · BY BATTER HAND

9.85	9.07	3
V RHB	V LHB	LHB IN MI TOP 7
SR 27.0 · 81b · career 8.36	SR 45.0 · 45b · career 8.14	de Kock, Varma, Rutherford

SAY IT Seven wickets against Mumbai at 8.63 an over; Wankhede has given him none.



MUKESH CHOUDHARY

NEW BALL · LEFT-ARM FAST-MEDIUM · AGE 29

OVERSEAS No PRICE ₹30.00 L retained IPL DEBUT 2022 CSK IPL MATCHES 17

~2 OVERS 2 PP · overs 2, 6

Mukesh Choudhary grew up in Pardodas, a village in Rajasthan's Bhilwara district, and moved to Maharashtra to pursue cricket, making his first-class debut in 2017. A former net bowler with Chennai Super Kings, the left-arm seamer was signed at the 2022 auction and took the wickets of Rohit Sharma and Ishan Kishan in his first over against Mumbai Indians. He is uncapped internationally. This week CSK shared their condolences after the death of his mother. He is 4th among CSK's wicket-takers this season, with a share of the side's wickets; CSK have not won a match he has played this season.



THE LINE

Mukesh owns Mumbai with six wickets at 6.00 an over, but Suryakumar Yadav has taken him for 260, and his two powerplay overs invite exactly that contest.

WATCH FOR

- ▶ All 2 of his wickets this season came off full tosses (1) and full balls (1).
- ▶ Career economy 9.7 defending a total vs 10.4 bowling first.

LENGTHS · 2026

Good 25% (econ 6.0) · Back of length 25% (econ 8.0) · Full toss 17% (econ 12.0, 1 wkt) · Full 17% (econ 12.0, 1 wkt) · Short 17% (econ 18.0)

VARIATIONS · 2026

slower balls and cutters 0 of 12 · 4 in swinger

HOW HIS 2 WICKETS FELL

caught 2

SEASON

2	10.50	6.0	50%	10.5
WICKETS	ECONOMY	STRIKE RATE	DOT BALLS	AVERAGE
best 2/21	league 9.57	1 inn	2 ov	boundary 33%

IPL CAREER 17 inn · 54.3 ov · 19 wkts · econ 9.96 · avg 28.6 · SR 17.2 · best 4/46 · dot 42% · boundary 26%

FORM

2026 · LAST 1 OF 1	2/21
	2ov SRH Head, Kishan

BY PHASE · 2026 ECONOMY

10.50	—	—
POWERPLAY	MIDDLE	DEATH
100% of overs · 2 wkts · dot 50% · lg 9.74	0% of overs · 0 wkts · dot - % · lg 9.21	0% of overs · 0 wkts · dot - % · lg 10.11

2026 · % OF HIS INNINGS BOWLING EACH OVER

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
		100				100													

1 innings; boxed: his likeliest overs tonight

2026 · BY BATTER HAND

—	10.50	3
V RHB	V LHB	LHB IN MI TOP 7
SR - · 0b · career 8.88	SR 6.0 · 12b · career 11.51	de Kock, Varma, Rutherford

SAY IT Six wickets against Mumbai at six an over; his two overs come in the powerplay.



GURJAPNEET SINGH

MIDDLE OVERS · LEFT-ARM FAST-MEDIUM · AGE 27

OVERSEAS No PRICE ₹2.20 Cr retained IPL DEBUT 2026 CSK IPL MATCHES 3

~4 OVERS 3 Mid + 1 Death · overs 7, 9, 10, 17

Gurjapneet Singh was born in Ludhiana and raised in Ambala, moving to Chennai as a teenager to pursue cricket. The left-arm seamer built his game in Tamil Nadu's league and TNPL circuit, then took six for 22 on his Ranji Trophy debut against Saurashtra. He first served CSK as a net bowler before the franchise signed him. He made his IPL debut earlier this season and struck with his first ball, against Delhi Capitals. He is 4th among CSK's wicket-takers this season, with a share of the side's wickets, and took one of them in the two matches CSK have won.



THE LINE

Gurjapneet has faced none of Mumbai's top order, and his three overs through the middle at 9.86 are where the unknown cuts both ways against a side he has never tested.

WATCH FOR

- ▶ All 2 of his wickets this season came off full balls (1) and back-of-length balls (1).

LENGTHS · 2026

Good 44% (econ 12.2) · Back of length 27% (econ 8.8, 1 wkt) · Full toss 9% (econ 8.4) · Yorker 7% (econ 3.0) · Full 7% (econ 9.0, 1 wkt) · Short 5% (econ 20.0)

VARIATIONS · 2026

slower balls and cutters 15 of 55, econ 10.4 · 5 reverse out swinger · 2 seam in · 1 reverse in swinger

HOW HIS 2 WICKETS FELL

caught 2

SEASON

2	10.47	27.5	38%	48.0
WICKETS	ECONOMY	STRIKE RATE	DOT BALLS	AVERAGE
best 1/34	league 9.57	3 inn	9.1 ov	boundary 24%

IPL CAREER 3 inn · 9.1 ov · 2 wkts · econ 10.47 · avg 48.0 · SR 27.5 · best 1/34 · dot 38% · boundary 24%

FORM

2026 · LAST 3 OF 3	1/39	0/23	1/34
	4ov DC Patel	1.1ov KKR	4ov SRH Arora

BY PHASE · 2026 ECONOMY

—	9.86	12.46
POWERPLAY	MIDDLE	DEATH
0% of overs · 0 wkts · dot - % · lg 9.74	76% of overs · 1 wkt · dot 40% · lg 9.21	24% of overs · 1 wkt · dot 31% · lg 10.11

2026 · % OF HIS INNINGS BOWLING EACH OVER

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
						33	67	33	33			33	33			67		33	

3 innings; boxed: his likeliest overs tonight

2026 · BY BATTER HAND

11.00	6.86	3
V RHB	V LHB	LHB IN MI TOP 7
SR 48.0 · 48b · career 11.00	SR 7.0 · 7b · career 6.86	de Kock, Varma, Rutherford

SAY IT Never bowled to any of Mumbai's top order; 9.86 an over through the middle.