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Despite making a poor start to the AFC Cup campaign with a 3-1 defeat away to Maziya SRC, Bashundhara Kings bounced back strongly to hand a 3-2 defeat to Odisha FC before playing out a 2-2 draw against Mohun Bagan



In our group stage, they [Bashundhara Kings] are the best team. Everyone knows about Bashundhara, who played the Asian Champions League (qualifying playoff). So it is a tough and difficult match but it is necessary for us to be focused on every detail because their foreign and local players improved a lot. We have a lot of respect for them but our mentality is to get three points," added Ferrando.

AFP, Milan

Instead he refused to bend on wage demands over months of talks and walked away, replaced by PSG academy product Mike Maignan who was crucial to Milan claiming their first title in 11 years in 2022.

However, Maignan's superb performances between the sticks did not do anything to dull the anger of the



Sitting pretty in third position with 10 points, five-time champions Australia would look to confirm their semifinal berth with a win over Afghanistan when the two sides meet at the Wankhede Stadium in Mumbai today. Afghanistan, meanwhile, have been brilliant in this World Cup with four victories, and would want to eke out another big win to help their cause for a first-ever semifinal spot.

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AFP, Mumbai

"We were watching him on TV when he was a successful player -- he was a role model for a lot of our players. So it's exciting for the team, to see him and maybe learn from him."

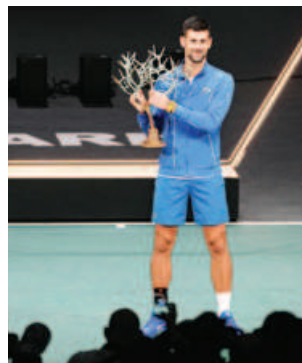
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However, despite being bottom of Group F Milan can still qualify for the last 16 as two points separate them from second-placed Dortmund who host Newcastle in one of Tuesday's two early matches.



AFP, Paris

Djokovic was taken to three sets in each of his three previous rounds but didn't face a single break point against the 17th-ranked Dimitrov.



AFP, Barcelona

"We're hurt by the result, not the performance, clearly it was a game we deserved to win," added Ancelotti. "We tried in every way, and it didn't come off, we tried until the last second."

Ancelotti lined up with the energetic Eduardo Camavinga replacing injured holding midfielder Aurelien Tchouameni, as well as starting Luka Modric in place of Toni Kroos.

Rayo are now unbeaten in eight league games, with their most recent defeat coming at the start of September.



"We're all human, obviously you read

Donnarumma was inundated with boos and whistles on all three occasions he has played at the San Siro with Italy in the last two years, Milan fans in the crowd making