

# India vs West Indies Test Series: Probable India Squad, Bumrah & Pant Uncertain

The upcoming **India vs West Indies Test series** is already creating a buzz, with discussions centered around the probable Indian squad. The series is expected to play a key role in the World Test Championship cycle, making team selection crucial. However, uncertainties surrounding star players like **Jasprit Bumrah** and **Rishabh Pant** have left fans eagerly waiting for official confirmation.



## Bumrah's Fitness Question

Jasprit Bumrah, India's pace spearhead, continues to manage his workload after battling through multiple injuries in recent years. While he has looked sharp in shorter formats, the rigors of five-day cricket demand peak fitness. The selectors are likely to weigh his long-term importance carefully before drafting him into the squad. His presence would

undoubtedly boost India's chances, especially on West Indian pitches that often assist fast bowlers.

## Rishabh Pant's Availability

[Rishabh Pant's](#) return to competitive cricket has been one of the most inspiring comebacks. However, whether he is ready for the intensity of a Test series remains a big question. Pant's explosive batting and wicketkeeping skills bring a unique balance to the team, and his absence could force India to look towards KS Bharat or Ishan Kishan as alternatives.

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## Probable India Squad

Despite the uncertainty around a couple of senior players, India's core squad is expected to be strong. [Rohit Sharma](#) is likely to lead the side, with [Shubman Gill](#), [Virat Kohli](#), and **Cheteshwar Pujara** forming the backbone of the batting order. **Ravindra Jadeja** and **Ravichandran Ashwin** remain the first-choice all-rounders, while Mohammed Siraj, Mukesh Kumar, and possibly Jaydev Unadkat could handle pace responsibilities if Bumrah sits out.

Youngsters like **Yashasvi Jaiswal** and **Sarfaraz Khan** might also get opportunities, as the selectors continue to prepare the next generation of red-ball players.

## Final Thoughts

The series against West Indies offers India a chance to fine-tune its squad, test bench strength, and secure vital World Test Championship points. While the availability of **Bumrah and Pant** will be decisive, the team's depth ensures India will field a competitive XI regardless.

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