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Rodrigues and Kaur help India to extend series lead at Bristol

[India Women 181-4 beat England Women 157-7 by 24 runs](#)

India Women went 2-0 up in the Vitality IT20 series against England Women, winning by 24 runs at Bristol.

England enjoyed a strong start after choosing to bowl first, reducing India to 31-3 inside the powerplay, but Jemimah Rodrigues and Amanjot Kaur combined for a fourth-wicket partnership of 93, with no shortage of creativity and courage, to take their team to an imposing 181-4.

Lauren Bell was once again impressive throughout for the hosts, but while Lauren Filer shone up top with her pace and Sophie Ecclestone enjoyed a better day than her return at Trent Bridge, England's bowlers found it difficult to contain India.

In reply, England lost early wickets and while Tammy Beaumont (54) played a brave hand, they were always behind the rate and up against it in terms of wickets lost.

Some late hitting from Sophie Ecclestone reduced the deficit, India's 24-run victory giving Harmanpreet Kaur's side a 2-0 lead heading into the third Vitality IT20 at the Kia Oval on Friday - with every game for England now a must-win in order to turn the series around.

Audio from Tammy Beaumont's press conference is available [here](#).

England Women v India Women - Vitality IT20 series

Saturday June 28: [1st Vitality IT20, India Women won by 97 runs - Trent Bridge](#)

Tuesday July 1: [2nd Vitality IT20, India Women won by 24 runs - Seat Unique Stadium, Bristol](#)

Friday July 4: 3rd Vitality IT20, England Women v India Women, The Kia Oval, 18.35

Wednesday July 9: 4th Vitality IT20, England Women v India Women, Emirates Old Trafford, 18.30

Saturday July 12: 5th Vitality IT20, England Women v India Women, Edgbaston, 18.35

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