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India's Kuldeep Yadav celebrates after completing his hat-trick



uldeen Yaday's maiden hattrick and a fluent 92 by Virat Kohli helped India cruise to a 50-run win over Australia in the second one-day international in Kolkata. Yadav once again combined with fellow wrist spinner Yuzvendra Chahal to

dismiss the visitors for 202 in 43.1 overs while chasing 253 and earn India a 2-0 lead in the fivematch series.

Left-arm wrist spinner Yadav and fast bowler Bhuvneshwar Kumar claimed three wickets each while Chahal and paceman Hadik Pandya took two each.

But it was Kohli and Ajinkya Rahane, who scored 55, who laid the foundation for the victory with their 102-run secondwicket partnership that made India post 252 all out.

"We didn't feel like we had enough on the board at the break. But we knew if we had a good start we (would) have a good chance of defending it," said Kohli, who received the man of the match award.

"Bhuvi's (Kumar) spell became even more important because we knew the wrist-spinners would do damage in the middle. (Continued on page 23)



















