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**[@thetwinkwolff](#) [@x\\_karran\\_x](#) [@Sunil9130](#) Lets stop the criticism guys. The lad is good. Losses happen. Losses to unranked players happen too. As do wins vs top 10ers. Let's accept both. Remember Sumit and the likes of him are the best we have. See the bigger picture please.**

[@Suman68082748](#) [@thetwinkwolff](#) [@x\\_karran\\_x](#) [@Sunil9130](#) When the Europeans or South Americans were getting quality practice and tourneys week in week out at reasonable costs, our kids were playing on dung courts or learning outdated serve and volley on grass. Appreciate the fact that the last 10 years have been a hell lot better than

[@Suman68082748](#) [@thetwinkwolff](#) [@x\\_karran\\_x](#) [@Sunil9130](#) the 10 before that. Real change can't come in a day or even in 10 years. So let's grit our teeth and bide our time till we have an organic self sustaining system in place.

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[@Suman68082748](#) [@thetwinkwolff](#) [@x\\_karran\\_x](#) [@Sunil9130](#) [@siyer30](#) [@SportaSmile](#) [@Cric\\_Writer](#) [@RomilShukla](#) [@amanthejourno](#) Heck forget all that. Before Meddy went on a tear what was he upto? Except the US Open, struggled to win a match whole year before catching fire in Paris and London.

@Suman68082748 @thetwinkwolff @x\_karran\_x @Sunil9130 @siyer30 @SportaSmile @Cric\_Writer @RomilShukla @amanthejourno Raikkonen loses to kids born after his debut every week. The Finns don't troll their beloved champ for that. Venus loses to players young enough to be her daughter every week. USA adores her. Our players don't become shit every time they lose and don't become unbeatable after

@Suman68082748 @thetwinkwolff @x\_karran\_x @Sunil9130 @siyer30 @SportaSmile @Cric\_Writer @RomilShukla @amanthejourno every win. The aim of the game is being better. Excellence. And in that process making the whole ecosystem better. Nagal is a junior Wimbledon Champ and is already in the high 100s. Even players who peaked only in the 300s or 500s have made the ecosystem a lot better.

@Suman68082748 @thetwinkwolff @x\_karran\_x @Sunil9130 @siyer30 @SportaSmile @Cric\_Writer @RomilShukla @amanthejourno So let's appreciate them for who they are. Countries with proper systems in place have 100s of travelling pros. And a 100 more graduate each year. Even with 95% attrition that model works seamlessly. We have a dozen Pros. And our capable juniors have no clue who will fund their

@Suman68082748 @thetwinkwolff @x\_karran\_x @Sunil9130 @siyer30 @SportaSmile @Cric\_Writer @RomilShukla @amanthejourno next trip.

There was a time when Yuki and Tomic were peers and rated equally. Were we able to provide our lad the same opportunities that TA gave their?

Sania was once superior to Li Na. Before both made the top 100. Next is a familiar story.

Leander and Wayne Ferreira.

@Suman68082748 @thetwinkwolff @x\_karran\_x @Sunil9130 @siyer30 @SportaSmile @Cric\_Writer @RomilShukla @amanthejourno I could go on and on. Buji and Isner/KAndo. Amritraj and Connors. When our tennis players lose, they don't fail us. They remind us how we continue failing them. Rant over.

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