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MVP award boost for RR players

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MUMBAI: Rajasthan Royals left-arm seamer Kamran Khan, all-rounder Yusuf Pathan, bat-sman Abhishek Raut and wick-etkeeper-batsman Naman Ojha have so far received the HDFC Standard Life Most Valuable Player award carrying a prize money of \$1,000 in the DLF-IPL in South Africa.

"We have a long-term association with HDFC Standard Life and one of the many deci-sions taken by Rajasthan Roy-als is to recognise the performance of a player, not only in a winning match, but also in a losing match. The MVP for every match will receive \$1,000 each. Shane Warne, Darren Berry and Jere-my Snape form the committee to select the MVP," said Raghu Iyer, Chief Marketing Officer, Rajasthan Royals, at the launch of the 'Sar Utha ke Jiyo' theme video and MVP award here on Thursday.

Kamran, who is undergoing a rehabilitation programme after being reported for suspect ac-tion, and Yusuf, have received the MVP award two times.

"Warne has not announced the MVP award for one match, he wants to double it for anoth- er match and one match was not played because of rain. Ber-ry and Snape are closely mon-itoring the rehab programme of Kamran Khan. He is injured and the priority is to get him back into action. Warne believes that Kamran has the potential to improve