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## Patchy Rahul in final

**BANGALORE, DHNS:** Karnataka's second seed BS Rahul set up a title clash with sixth seeded State-mate Vibhavarsh T in the AITA Talent Series tennis tournament at the Jain International Residential School on Thursday.

Rahul posted a hard-fought 4-6, 6-2, 6-3 win over fourth-seeded Alok Aradhya in his semifinal encounter, while Vibhavarsh had it easier en route to a 6-3, 7-5 victory against Adil Kanyanpur to book a spot in the final.

In the girls section, third seed Shivani Manjanna will

take on Nupur Umashankar in the summit clash.

**Results (all semifinals): Boys: U-16:** 6-Vibhavarsh T (Kar) bt Adil Kanyanpur (Kar) 6-3, 7-5; 2-BS Rahul (Kar) bt 4-Alok Aradhya (Kar) 4-6, 6-2, 6-3.

**Doubles:** BS Rahul/ Karthik S (Kar) bt Poorva S Kumar/ Rohan Shenoy (Kar) 7-6, 6-3; Alok Aradhya/ Vibhavarsh (Kar) bt MS Dhanush/ Hanivarsh (Kar) 7-5, 4-6, 10-2.

**Girls: U-16:** 3-Shivani Manjanna (Kar) bt Soha S (Kar) 6-4, 2-6, 6-4; 2-Nupur Umashankar (Kar) bt 8-Sakshi Yadav (AP) 6-2, 6-3. **Doubles:** Nupur Umashankar/ Lakshmi Nikitha (Kar) bt B Sakshi Yadav (AP)/ Nikita Pinto (Kar) 6-2, 6-2; Hrishika Rajesh/ Soha S (Kar) bt Gaayathri Shankar (Ker)/ Diana Abi (TN) 6-0, 6-7 (4-7), 10-5.