

# Hitaashee can end the long wait

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**W**hat a week it has been for Indian women's golf! They have done Indian golf proud on the Ladies



European Tour platform as five of them figure in the Top-10.

I am disappointed that I am not among them, but it has not been the best of weeks for me. I have been off in terms of my game and also physically I have not been at my best. It is my National Open and my sponsor's event and I tried my best. I will be back again and my goal of wanting to win this event stays and I hope I can achieve that sometime.

But, back to the Indian contingent. We have all been playing together in Europe and Hitaashee Bakshi has be-

en showing great progress. This could be the breakthrough week for her. To hold a three-shot lead after three days in such a strong field is indeed a great feat.

What is even more creditable is that Hitaashee has been calm and composed and has played great golf.

It is not just Hitaashee but

also Pranavi Urs, who has done well as she comes back from an injury. Then there is Avani Prashanth, who is in her first season as a professional.

Vani Kapoor is a very experienced player and the Hero Women's Indian Open means a lot to her and I heard that she has never missed the cut here. That is an amazing feat and she has played this event for so many years.

And as for Zara Anand, she is a star for the future. She is so young and playing so well. To be among the top five in such a strong field even after three days is a big achievement. I hope Zara stays in there and does even better on the final day.

Of our friends from the Tour, Alice Hewson is in contention and so is Shannon Tan. They have won before and can do so again.

