Germany qualify for Qatar 2022, Belgium made to wait

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The 56-year-old coach said 2014 World Cup winners Germany will have to wait until next month after their involvement in the Nations League pushed back their involvement in the 2022 WC challenge.

More importantly, Musiala sealed the score against Switzerland in 1910.

Qualifying for the 2022 finals. Group J match against North Macedonia at the Toshe Proeski National Arena in Skopje on Monday night. (AFP)

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Important, Musiala needed the win that sealed the Germans become the first team, other than hosts Qatar, to qualify for the 2022 finals. The second part of the barrier (the WC finals) in 2021 came in Bucharest where Austria’s 3-0 defeat against Germany in three minutes gave Romania a 1-0 win over Latvia and Croatia a 2-0 win over Estonia.

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England’s World Cup challenge depends on bowlers: Jordan

By Simon Burnton

England might have fielded the batsman ranked in the International Cricket Council’s Twenty20 top 20 but, although Chris Jordan admits that departures of the team in “Phantommode” and even eight overs could have prevented England from chasing down 195 runs, none of the batting unit that will determine whether their attempt to win the forthcoming World Cup in Australia or India... "I genuinely believe to win a tournament you need to do well in every game, not just play the game at a time, to do what’s in front of us, the ingredients are there for us to make a decent run in this competition," he said.

"We came out stronger for it as a unit and never take myself to that place ever again. We should go alright."

"Having been together for so long the decisions in high-pressure moments was never taken by just coaches and captains as well, to tap into that knowledge is something I've already been privileged enough to travel and play with so many different players, play under so many different coaches and captains as well, and to tap into that knowledge is something I've been very privileged for," he said.

"But first things first is to be really good at any game and try to build through the tournament that way."
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European players to be released from clubs a week before WC

**Reuters**

Players from the European leagues will be allowed to compete in the World Cup this winter, in a move that could boost teams’ performances. The decision is expected to allow European clubs to release their players earlier than usual, which will enable them to prepare for the tournament more effectively.

**AFP**

It says that the players will be able to compete under the aegis of their respective clubs, which will have the option to release them earlier than usual. This will give them more time to prepare for the World Cup and will also allow them to have a better understanding of the competition.

**The Guardian**

The move is expected to have a significant impact on the planning of the World Cup. It will allow European clubs to release their players earlier than usual, which will enable them to prepare for the tournament more effectively.

**The Independent**

However, some clubs have expressed reservations about the decision.

**The Times**

The move is seen as a significant step towards ensuring that European clubs can compete effectively in the World Cup.
Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi (left) and his French counterpart Edouard Philippe (right) review the national anthems before the start of the 75th Edition of the World Cup in Dubai at the Al-Wasl Stadium on October 13, 2021. (AFP)