U23 World Wrestling Championships, Las Vegas: Vishvajit More wins historic Greco-Roman silver

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At the U23 World Wrestling Championships in Las Vegas, USA, India's Vishvajit Ramchandra More won silver in the men's Greco-Roman 55 kg category (15 Oct 2026, IST). He lost the final 12–13 in the last seconds to Koba Karumidze of Georgia. He is the first Indian to reach a Greco-Roman final and win silver at the U23 Worlds. In the quarter-final he beat Iran's U20 world champion Armin Shamsipour 8–1.

Key facts

Wrestler	Vishvajit Ramchandra More – born 1 Jan 2004, Sarawade, Radhanagari taluka, Kolhapur district, Maharashtra
Category	Men's Greco-Roman 55 kg – silver
Final	Lost 12–13 to Koba Karumidze (Georgia)
History	First Indian Greco-Roman finalist and silver medallist at the U23 Worlds; bronze in 2024 and 2025
Army	Indian Army – Maratha Light Infantry, Havildar (sports entry, 2025)

Background

- Wrestling styles: Greco-Roman bans holds below the waist and use of the legs; freestyle allows leg holds. United World Wrestling (UWW) – founded 1921 in Stockholm (formerly FILA; renamed 2014); HQ Corsier-sur-Vevey, Switzerland.
- India's Olympic wrestling medals: K.D. Jadhav (1952 Helsinki, bronze – independent India's first individual Olympic medal), Sushil Kumar (2008 bronze, 2012 silver), Yogeshwar Dutt (2012), Sakshi Malik (2016), Ravi Dahiya (2020 silver), Bajrang Punia (2020), Aman Sehrawat (2024).
- India's first Greco-Roman medal at the U23 Worlds – Sajan Bhanwala (77 kg bronze, 2022, Spain). K.D. Jadhav was also from Maharashtra (Satara) and studied in Kolhapur.

Tamil Nadu link: there is no direct Tamil Nadu link to this event. Tamil Nadu's traditional wrestling is 'malyutham' / 'kusthi'; the Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu (SDAT) runs wrestling training centres.

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