

Enamul stays

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Enamul took wickets on debut but what impressed the selectors was his ability to turn the ball.
"Besides, there are already two good left-arm spinners in the U-19s. They are Nadif Chowdhury and Arafat Sunny."
About leaving out Aftab, Faruque said that the young stroke-maker is more needed in the Under-19 side. The right-hander made his way into the 13 probable for the first Test after Moniruzzaman, a more likely contender, suffered a freakish eye injury while fielding against England in the second practice match at the BKSP ground last week.
"We have considered Aftab in the absence of Moniruzzaman who was injured for a week. Now Moniruzzaman looks fit so we are in a position to release Aftab," explained the chief selector.
When asked about Moniruzzaman's possibility of making his Test debut in Chittagong, Faruque said it would depend on the condition of the wicket and what the team management wants.

Barthez decision

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Friday or Monday morning."
Simonet would not say whether the FFF would support Marseille's bid to register Barthez, saying only: "It's a very individual case because it concerns Fabien Barthez."
"The French Federation does not want to publicly express its opinion on the matter."
Santini has told all his players that if they do not get regular first-team football at club level, they cannot be guaranteed a place in his squad for Euro 2004.
United boss Sir Alex Ferguson has marginalised Barthez and the World Cup winner is now third in the Old Trafford pecking order behind Tim Howard and Roy Carroll.
Marseille, the club where Barthez came to prominence in the early 1990s, want Barthez on a nine-month loan and believe that an injury that has sidelined reserve goalkeeper Cedric Carasso for six months gives them a good case for a special dispensation.
However, the matter will now be debated by Fifa next week. Simonet will be there on unrelated business.

Liverpool

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Birmingham scored after a quick break with Christoph Dugarry putting Bolton defenders Emerson Thome and Simon Charlton under pressure.
They both failed to clear and Dugarry's cross was deflected off Charlton and into the path of Forssell whose first time shot gave fellow Finnish international team mate Jussi Jaaskelainen no chance in the Bolton goal.
Bolton were unlucky midway through the second half when Greek international Stelios Giannakopoulos thought he had scored with a spectacular overhead kick, only for the effort to be ruled offside.

Pakistan find

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and Shane Warne, I realised to survive in international cricket I needed to change my attitude and adjust my technique accordingly," Farhat said.
"After that series I became more serious about my batting and have cut out the risky shots. I try to concentrate harder now and keep a value on my wicket. I did that today," the 21-year old added.
Farhat and Taufeeq, who hail from the eastern city of Lahore, have produced opening stands of 109, 134 and 137 against the hapless South African bowlers to become the first Pakistan opening pair to post century stands in three consecutive Test innings.



PHOTO: COURTESY
Chief of Army Staff Lt. Gen. Hasan Mashhud Chowdhury (7th from L) is seen with the participants of the Prime Bank Captain Cup Golf Tournament during the opening ceremony of the meet at the Kumtola Golf Club on October 24. Chief of Air Staff Air Vice Marshal Fakhrul Azam (5th from L), managing director of Prime Bank Shah Md Nurul Alam (8th from L) and managing director of East Coast Group Azam J Chowdhury (6th from L) were present at the function.

Kuwait Moitri Hall Delta Life h'ball champs

SPORTS REPORTER
Kuwait Moitri Hall of Dhaka University clinched the ninth Delta Life Handball competition title crashing Siddeshwari Girls College 14-1 at the Dhanmondi Women Sports Complex yesterday.
The winners dominated the first session 10-0.
Earlier in the third place deciding match, Home Economics Women's College defeated Viharunnessa Noon School & College 10-3 at the same venue.
State Minister for Finance and Planning Mej Gen (ret'd) Anwarul Kabir Talukdar distributed the prizes.

Mark near the end?

AFP, Sydney
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National cricket

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SCORES IN BRIEF
Kushtia v Sathkira
Venue: Chuadanga
KUSHTIA: 143 for seven wickets in 38 overs (Nishan 63, Tanu 22, Shahidur 13, Walid 2-45, Akash 2-25)
SATHKIRA: 88 for all out in 29.1 overs (Sohel 40, Mintoo 13, Russel 4-13, Cornel 2-9, Shaon 2-15, Muktar 2-13).
Result: Kushtia won by 55 runs.

Enqvist on a roll

AFP, Stockholm
Revitalised veteran Thomas Enqvist took a step closer to a possible fourth title at the 650,000-euro Stockholm Open, taming the explosive game of American Robby Ginepri 6-3, 6-4 for a spot in the semi-finals.
Enqvist, fighting back from a number 122 ranking, showed flashes of the form which took him to trophies at the Kunglighallen in 1995, 1996 and 1999 as he thrashed the skateboard-look American in just over an hour.
The 29-year-old Swede, who built his game in the Stockholm suburbs, came good as he played in only his second quarter-final of a season which has been one long and often unsuccessful come-back effort after several years of injuries and surgery recoveries. "I have fantastic memories of this tournament," said Enqvist.
"This was an important win. I tried to put pressure on him and I did that without making a lot of errors."
The popular veteran, watched from the stands by Davis Cup coach Mats Wilander and former Davis Cup teammate Magnus Larsson, notched his 25th win in Stockholm against just eight career defeats.
Ginepri's game was as loose as his sleeveless shirt and backward baseball cap, with Enqvist ripping through a break per set and coming up the better in the majority of frenzied baseline exchanges.
The unseeded Swede finished his job to the roar of the crowd with a backing-up overhead smash.
Enqvist is bidding for a 20th career title, a possible honour which would save the proud tennis nation from a blank slate in tournament titles this season. That sort of blemish last occurred in 1973 before the rise of Bjorn Borg.
Teenaged promise Rolf Soderling provided an insurance policy as he booked into the semis,

earning a 6-4, 6-3 win over senior compatriot Jonas Bjorkman.
Bjorkman, who won the 1997 edition, was playing his seventh quarterfinal of the season. Soderling made a breakthrough with a Wimbledon third-round place, losing to Tim Henman a round later.
He also reached the Shanghai semi-finals in September.
Enqvist will play Saturday against American Marty Fish, who recovered from four match points down to salvage a 6-4, 6-7 (7/9), 7-6 (7/4) quarterfinal victory over Mario Ancic.
Fish, the number five and only seed left in the event, was frustrated at every opportunity by the teenage Croatian dubbed "Baby Goran" for his big serve. But the world number 24 finally pulled out the desperation win.
"At the start of the third, I was really thinking that I should have wrapped it up," said Fish after squandering his first three match points.
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Nalbandian in semis

REUTERS, Basel
Defending champion David Nalbandian will meet top seed Andy Roddick in the Swiss Indoors semifinals after the US Open champion ousted unseeded Belgian Olivier Rochus 6-4, 6-4.
Nalbandian defeated Tim Henman 6-2, 6-4, while third seed Guillermo Coria beat

Feliciano Lopez of Spain 6-1, 6-2 for a semifinal meeting with Ivan Ljubicic, after the big-serving Croatian overcame Ecuador's Nicolas Lapentti 2-6, 6-2, 6-3.
Roddick won his last encounter with Nalbandian in a sensational semi-final at Flushing Meadows last month, when the American came from two sets down to overhaul the Argentine in five sets.
The two also met in the final of the Montreal Masters in August, when Roddick also prevailed.



PHOTO: AFP
Argentina's David Nalbandian plays backhand against England's Tim Henman at the Swiss Indoors tournament in Basel on October 24.

Maverick Adu

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about his services.
Rongen said that Adu played well during camp and impressed him as much with his maturity and love for the game as he did with his skills on the field. Not having him on his 20-player roster isn't a knock to the young wunderkind in any way, he said.
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In the meantime, Adu says he'll be crossing his fingers that Rongen will "have a change of heart," and will be busy enough in Bradenton finishing up his senior year of high school either by February or later in the spring to keep his options open for a future that has endless options.
Major League Soccer's draft is in January, and could be a nice option for Adu to make himself eligible for, as it would allow him to get a taste of professional soccer without being in a foreign land on his own.
Then again, Adu wants to push himself as much as possible.
"I want to be pushed around," joked Adu. "It's just drive to take my game to another level. That's what I want to experience."
Manchester United has been tracking his progress throughout the year, which certainly excites Adu. "I've loved them ever since I was a baby."
"I would love to end up in England someday, playing for Man. U. or some team like that," he said.
As well as the U.S. National Team.
Adu might not play with the U-20s this time around, but it's only a matter of time before he dons the U.S. colors for the Olympic Team, and makes a push to be on Bruce Arena's 2006 World Cup squad.
This isn't a roadblock on his path to stardom. Just a speed bump.



PHOTO: COURTESY
Members of the Kuwait Moitri Hall of Dhaka University, who clinched the ninth Delta Life Handball competition title, pose for photographers at the Dhanmondi Women's Sports Complex yesterday.

'It can help both'

AFP, Faisalabad
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Effort worth

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piece as suggested by commentators Wasim Akram and David Lloyd instead of waiting until England crossed into the comfort zone.
Until yesterday the Bangladesh skipper was making all the right moves in all through the first four days. May be that bad shot played on his mind and he was understandably under pressure from then on.
But despite the defeat, which now stands at 24 in 25 played, there are a few positives. The match saw the emergence of teenage left-arm spinner Enamul Haque. The youngster from Sylhet showed plenty of guile on debut. And let's not forget Mushfiqur Rahman, the amiable Rajshahi all-rounder, who played his heart and soul out after being recalled to the national team. Even with wickets tumbling around him the 23-year-old showed nerves of steel. He has come to stay.
The fighting spirit that the Tigers displayed after being put on the ropes with 72.5 on the second at least silenced the cynics, who over the many months and years sank their teeth into the fledgling nation ever since it joined the Test fraternity in June 2000.
Armed with a new coach in Dav Whatmore, who needs no elaborate introduction, the Tigers have certainly come on in leaps and bounds in recent series. And the first-ever meeting against the oldest Test nation showed that Bangladesh's performance graph is going up.
Vaughan and company may have battled their way out of this cauldron at Dhaka but one thing that is for sure their next meeting in Chittagong won't be any easier.

Pak openers

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Smith c Inzamam b Shabbir	2
Gibbs lbw b Mushtaq	98
Dippenaar c Umar b Shabbir	4
Kallis c Umar b Kaneria	10
Kirsten c Umar b Razzaq	54
McKenzie c Mushtaq b Shabbir	27
Boucher b Razzaq	27
Pollock run out	16
Peterson c sub (Misbah) b Shabbir	4
Adams c Umar b Kaneria	14
Ntini not out	16
Extras: (lb-1, nb-4, w-1)	6
Total: (All out in 99.1 overs)	278
Fall of wickets: 1-6, 2-20, 3-40, 4-148, 5-195, 6-212, 7-236, 8-247, 9-250	

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Shabbir	26	8	74	4
Razzaq	22	4	68	2
Kaneria	33.1	10	68	2
Malik	5	0	19	0
Mushtaq	13	1	48	1

PAKISTAN: First innings
Umar c Gibbs b Adams 68
Farhat not out 123
Hameed c Gibbs b Pollock 21
Inzamam not out 16
Extras: (b-2, lb-7) 9
Total: (For 2 wks in 79 overs) 237
Fall of wickets: 1-137, 2-178
To bat: Malik, Moin, Kamal, Razzaq, Mushtaq, Shabbir, Kaneria

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Pollock	16	7	32	1
Ntini	17	3	40	0
Kallis	18	4	46	0
Peterson	8	1	40	0
Adams	17	2	54	1
Smith	3	0	16	0

Performance

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job by bowling them out for 295 from 111 for no loss. That speaks of how hard we fought."
England skipper Michael Vaughan said that the home side made it very difficult for them.
"We always thought that it wasn't going to be easy for us because Bangladesh are an improving side. They dominated the third and fourth day against us. That says how competitive they are," said Vaughan.
Vaughan thought quick wickets on the last morning was the turning point in the game.
"We never expected to get the last four Bangladesh wickets so early and that was the moment when England came back into the match."
Man-of-the-match Harmison was particularly happy to have done well in his first outing in the sub-continent.
"The conditions here are the most testing that I have ever come across. And as I had no previous experience of playing in the sub-continent, it was very satisfying to take nine wickets."

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS
1 Sog of winter
4 Fratricide victim
8 Grooving on
12 Boat need
13 "In — penny, ..."
14 Cherished writer
15 "Phantom" Michael
17 Advantage
18 Not allresco
19 Singer Sumac
21 Robinson or Miniver
22 Singer Michael
26 Was optimistic
29 Sugar quantity
30 Cutting tool
31 Congregation cry
32 Oktoberfest need
33 Release
34 —
36 Fern leaf
37 Cager Michael
39 "Holy cow!"

DOWN
1 Central points duo
2 Have coming without
3 Garrett of "Everybody Loves Raymond"
4 Be able to buy rationally
5 Flude folks
6 Screw up
7 Spotted beetle
8 Perfect of the beholder
9 Boyfriend
10 Play-ground game
11 Raw rocks
12 Tend a clinic
13 Pot base
14 Yoked duo
15 Can't do coming without
16 Females
17 Assume appearance
18 Provo's place
19 End of a Christie title
20 Rodents do it
21 "There you are!"
22 Piratic quench
23 Candle count
24 Trigger's rider

Solution time: 25 mins.

CRYPTOQUIP
X M Z U H J Y I X Z S H L S N
P K D I T D U Y D J J I O Q O
K M U I O M O V D O T M N Q

"O H J M X L M D U V S M L J N Y O."
Yesterday's Cryptquip: HAVING ARRIVED AT THE SUPPER TABLE TOO LATE, THE CANNIBAL GOT THE COLD SHOULDER.
Today's Cryptquip Clue: J equals L

The Cryptquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by Inal and error

BD-ENG SCOREBOARD

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Enamul Haque jr. lbw b Matthew Hoggard 0 2 3 0 0
Extras: (lb-10, nb-3, pen-5) 18
Total: (All out in 107 overs, 445 mins) 255
Fall of wickets: 1-12 (Saleh), 2-120 (Bashar), 3-140 (Kapali), 4-148 (Hannan), 5-176 (Mashud), 6-219 (Javed), 7-248 (Mahmud), 8-254 (Rafique), 9-255 (Mashrafe), 10-255 (Enamul jr.)

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Matthew Hoggard	27	11	48	4
Steve Harmison	25	8	44	4
Gareth Batty	20	2	65	1
Ashley Giles	20	4	52	1
Rikki Clarke	15	6	31	0

ENGLAND: Second innings (target: 164 runs) R M B 4 6
M Trescothick st Khaled Mashud b Mohammad Rafique 27 61 34 40
Michael Vaughan not out 81 166 115 12 0
Mark Butcher lbw b Mohammad Rafique 8 25 20 1 0
Nasser Hussain lbw b Mashrafe-bin-Mortuza 17 41 37 2 0
Graham Thorpe not out 18 36 34 3 0
Extras: (b-1, lb-6, w-1, nb-5) 13
Total: (For 3 wks in 39.2 overs, 166 mins) 164
Fall of wickets: 1-64 (Trescothick), 2-86 (Butcher), 3-128 (Hussain)
Did not bat: Rikki Clarke, Chris Read, Gareth Batty, Ashley Giles, Steve Harmison, Matthew Hoggard

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Mashrafe-bin-Mortuza	11	2	46	1
Mushfiqur Rahman	3	1	11	0
Khaled Mahmud	3	1	14	0
Mohammad Rafique	13.2	0	57	2
Enamul Haque jr.	7	0	27	0
Rajin Saleh	2	0	2	0

Result: England won by 7 wickets and 1-0 lead in the two-Test series.
Man-of-the-match: Steve Harmison.
Toss: Bangladesh.
Umpires: Aleem Dar (Pakistan) and Ashoka de Silva (Sri Lanka).