the United Nations Development

Programme (UNDP) with the support of FIFA, bringing together

The gala occasion will also see

Ten years after its launch in

1993, the FIFA Fair Play logo has

undergone a makeover with a new

slogan, "My Game is Fair Play",

Apart from this new wording,

the change also reflects FIFA's

renewed commitment to fair play

and the major social issues in the

THIERRY HENRY

As in the past two years, FIFA

president Sepp Blatter will also be presenting the FIFA Presidential

Award. The inaugural award

honoured Marvin Lee, who was

paralysed during a match while

captaining the Trinidad & Tobago

U-20 team. He sadly passed away

The winner of last year's award

was Parminder Nagra, the star of

the hit film "Bend It Like

Beckham", which told the story of

a young girl determined to play

football against the wishes of her

the presentation of a number of

other awards, most notably the

Ronaldo, Zidane.

FIFA Fair Play Award.

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Patience pays off | Nesta to miss

Cricket

Wickets have been hard to come by for Indian leg-spinner Anil Kumble in Australia and perseverance paid off with five wickets in the second Test at the Adelaide Oval here on Saturday.

The 79-Test veteran claimed three wickets in five balls, including Ricky Ponting for 242, in his 43rd over to finish with 5-143 and end Australia's mammoth first innings at 556.

It was his 21st five-wicket haul in Test cricket, but his first in Australia, where in his previous tour in 1999-2000, he managed just five wickets at an average of 90.

"It's one of those things, you reap the rewards the next day after putting in all the hard work the day before. I didn't do anything differently," Kumble said after Saturday's play.

Fletcher for repeat act

AFP, Kandy

England coach Duncan Fletcher on Saturday said he was hoping his team would put up another determined effort to save the second Test against Sri Lanka here.

"It's going to be a very difficult day tomorrow but I think the guys must take heart out of what they did in the last Test and do the same if not better," said Fletcher.

England, who set a target of 368, need to score another 279 runs on the last day with eight wickets in

They are in a situation similar to the opening Test in Galle where they were chasing a 323-run target.

Needing 319 runs to score on the last day with all 10 wickets intact, England batted through the day as Sri Lanka were left just one

wicket away from victory. "The pitch here is pretty similar to the one at Galle. It may dry up a little more tomorrow and we'll just have to see how it plays," said

The coach felt that the not out batsmen, captain Michael Vaughan (50) and former skipper Nasser Hussain (17), were capable of springing a surprise.

"It was nice to see him (Vaughan) get that 50. He looks a lot more confident out there and I just hope he gets one of his big

Proteas' record

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sive today, obviously we didn't expect them to get 400 runs yester-

Kumble, who has now taken 363 Test wickets, said he needed patience to bowl in Australia.

"It's just experience and probably I have learned a lot more in ring to adapt," he said of his improvement in coping with Australian conditions.

After toiling away for 1-115 from 28 overs on Friday, when Australia amassed 400 for five, he collected 4-39 from his 15 overs on Saturday.

In his final over, he had Ponting caught at slip for 242, then three balls later bowled Brad Williams for a duck before trapping Stuart MacGill leg before wicket first ball to leave him on a hattrick entering the second innings of the Adelaide

Kumble, who is India's secondhighest wicket-taker after Kapil Dev (434), said he was learning how to approach his bowling on flat, unhelpful wickets, such as the Adelaide pitch in this Test.

"It's mostly with the field and the approach, having to be a lot more patient, especially on a wicket like this on the first day of a

"You need a lot of patience and a lot more of a defensive approach in terms of setting fields.

"You're attacking in your bowling but field placements are a lot more defensive.

Kumble, 33, hit the headlines in 1999 when he claimed all 10 wickets in an innings during a Test match against arch-rivals Pakistan in New Delhi, a feat achieved only once before by Jim Laker of

Boca battle

Football

AC Milan key defender Alessandro Nesta will be sidelined due to an injury against South American counterparts Boca Juniors for the Intercontinental Cup, his coach said Saturday.

"It's certain that Nesta will not play tomorrow's match," Milan coach Carlo Ancelotti said of the 27-year-old Italian international defender, who injured his left knee during his last champions league

Striker Filippo Inzaghi, the top goal scorer in the Serie A 1996-98 season, is also doubtful along with Massimo Ambrosini, probably leaving his job to Jon Dahl Tomasson of Denmark.

"Surely it's disappointing for the team," said skipper Paolo Maldini. "But rather than that, it's more disappointing for him, because he played the champions league looking forward to playing the Intercontinental Cup. "But we have another excellent

defender Billy (Alessandro Costacurta's nickname). He always does excellent job whenever he is For Maldini, it will be his fifth appearance in the World Club

in 1989 and 1990. Milan also won in "Fortunately I've been able to play for the team for 14 years since

Championship enjoining victories

1989 and it will be my fifth time to play for the Intercontinental Cup," said Maldini, 35, who retired from the international scene after the World Cup last year.

"It's not important that I make a record apperance or not. I'm just proud that I've been playing for this team for 14 years. It was difficult to earn a berth in the championship, and it's difficult to do

"But Milan are always a strong team. So far as I continue to play for



ALESSANDRO NESTA

last appearance in the Intercontinental Cup," added

The match will kick off at 7:15 pm (1015 GMT) at the Yokohama stadium, the site of the final between Brazil and Germany in the 2002 World Cup, co-hosted by Japan and South Korea.

Easy wins for Khulna, Ctg

runs in 12 overs while spinner Ahsanullah also took three for 49 runs in 25 overs.

SYLHET v KHULNA

At Sylhet, Khulna needed only 25 minutes to wrap up the match. Coming into final day's play, the hosts' last pair, which had already added a stubborn 16 overnight, needed another 91 runs to turn the table around.

But they could collect only 15. Resuming the day on 145-9, the hosts lost Tapash stumped by Hasibul Haq after adding 14 runs to his overnight score of 16.

Bashir, who claimed the last wicket, finished with 5-43 in 23.3 overs. He was jointly adjudged man-of-the-match with fellow spinner Abdur Razzak Raj, who claimed seven wickets in the

first-innings.

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KHULNA: First innings 160 all out in 76.5 overs (Tushar 43, Razzak 34, Sajjadul 25, Bashir 20; Nayeem 5-45, Tapas 2-22) SYLHET: First innings 80 all out in 50.1 overs (Shishir 14, Imtiaz 30; Razzak 7-11, Al

KHULNA: Second innings 156 all out in 62 overs (Sajjadul 18, Raju 48, Bashir 29; Nabil 2-30, Nayeem 2-33, Al-Wadud 2-18)

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SYLHET : Second innings (over for 9 in 78 overs)	night 14	
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Hakim st Hasibul b Bashir	43	
Tushar c Hasibul b Bashir	20	
Nayeem c Hasibul b Bashir	0	
Tapas st Hasibul b Bashir	30	
Nabil c Salauddin b Razzak	0	
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 $Sanjid\,c\,Salauddin\,b\,Razzak$ Al-Wadud not out Extras: (b-15, lb-1, nb-2) Total: (All out in 83.3 overs) Fall of wkts: 1-9, 2-16, 3-50, 4-52, 5-121, 6-M AlAmin 17 7 28 Monjurul 12 3 22 31

Result: Khulna won by 76 runs. Man-of-the-match: Abdur Razzak and Tamim Bashir (Khulna)

Rajshahiv Chittagong

Venue: Comilla Stadium RAJSHAHI: First innings 234 all out in 96.4 overs (Rafiqul 17, Zunaed 26, Humayun 29, Zahurul 33, Nuruzzaman 39, Mashud

16, Anisur 23, Shahjada 18; Alamgir 3-37, **CHITTAGONG**: First innings 300 all out in 115.3 overs (Anisul 53, Masum 12, Azam 13. Minhazul 28. Akram 38. Faisal 99 not

out, Arafat 25; Saifullah 6-94, Sohel 3-97) RAISHAHI: Second innings (overnight Rafiqul c Azam b Ahsanullah Zunaed c Akram b Alamgir

Humayun c Masum b Alamgir Jahurul lbw Ahsanullah 22 Nuruzzaman lbw Ahsanullah Mashud b Arafat 59 Anisur c Sariful b Arafat Shahjada c Sabibul b Arafat Aminul Jr b Faisal Sohel not out Saifullah Ibw Faisal Extras: (b-2, lb-2) 194

Total: (Alloutin 77.3 overs) Fall of wkts: 1-13, 2-17, 3-63, 4-68, 5-75, 6-0 M 12 4 29 0 17 Debrobata 6 87 25 49 3.3 0 8

Arafat Ahsanullah Faisal **CHITTAGONG:** Second innings Anisul run out Masum c Humayun b Saifullah 10 Faisal not out

CRYPTOQUIP NELKVSO UXNNSM

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ACTUALLY NAMED HIS SON WALLY. Today's Cryptoquip Clue: N equals P

D'sena The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for M'tharan 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 trial and error.

Fall of wkts: 1-54, 2-70 Shahiada 27 Saifullah 12.3 1 52 0 13 Result: Chittagong won by eight wickets Man-of-the-match: Yasin Arafat

Total: (For 2 wkts in 26.3 overs) 129

Graeme not

the 90s. My feet weren't moving that well when I started, but my hands were feeling good," Smith said. West Indies bowled inconsis-

tently on a hot day but Smith thought the tourists stuck to their task well. "If they were to look at the way

they bowled, I think they would say that they bowled too many fourballs," Smith said. "They bowled long spells in the

heat, and they just kept running in. I thought Merv Dillon bowled superbly. Smith said South Africa were

aiming for a total of "500-600 runs. "We scored quickly today, and,

hopefully, we can do so tomorrow,"

England stare FROM PAGE 13

leg to become left-arm spinner Ashlev Giles's second victim.

Giles claimed three wickets in the second innings to finish with eight scalps in the match. SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at close of play on the fourth day of the second Test between Sri Lanka and England at the Asgiriya Stadium on Saturday: SRI LANKA: First innings 382 (Dilshan

63, Fernando 51 not out, Jayawardene 45, Tillakaratne 45, Sangakkara 34 Jayasuriya 32, Vaas 32; Giles 5-116) ENGLAND: First innings 294 (Thorpe 57, Vaughan 52, Batty 38, Trescothick 36;

Muralitharan 4-60, Vaas 4-77) SRI LANKA: Second innings (overnight

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Tillakaratne c Thorpe b Giles 20 23 Samaraweera not out Vaas c Vaughan b Kirtley 20 Dharmasena not out Extras: (lb-6, nb-5, w-1) 12

Total: (For 7 wkts decl in 71 overs) 279 Fall of wickets: 1-33, 2-41, 3-53, 4-206, 5 M

17 62 Kirtley 4 3 40 Giles 3 101 Batty 11 1 47 11 Vaughan 0 C'wood 0 12 ENGLAND: Second innings Trescothick c J'wardene b Vaas Vaughan not out

Butcher st S'kara b M'tharar Extras: (lb-2) Total: (For 2 wkts in 36 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-24, 2-50 11 3 Fernando 1

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"Alex wants everything his own way, but who is running United?'

he told the paper. Ferguson did not win anything

Munna also believes the team's combative spirit has helped to overcome the absence of six key

"We want to play as a team and not as individuals. I think the spirit is very healthy and we are always trying to emphasis on this aspect, said Munna, one of the gifted midfielders of the country.

"Our aim is simple winning the Premier League this year. We had problems at the back after Rajani and Sujon quit but with the inclusion of Papel, Harry and Ghansha that has been solved," revealed

MUKTIJODDHA SANGSAD KRIRA CHAKRA SQUAD Goalkeepers: Aminul Islam, Tito

Defenders: Hasan Al-Mamun,

Papel, Prodeep, Din Mohammad, Belal, Lajuk, Harry and Riadh. Midfielders: Matiur Munna (cap-

tain), Bidyut, Saiful, Tushar, Kabir, Ghansha and Gerald. Forwards: Moni, Kanchan, Tipu

Coach: Shafiqul Islam Manik.

India in deep

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Adam Gilchrist, nine overnight, moved to 29 before failing to get hold of a pull shot off Ajit Agarkar and being caught by Sehwag at deep mid-wicket with the score at

Bichel added 47 for the seventh wicket before he was caught at batpad by Chopra off Kumble for 19.

Kumble gained a five-wicket reward for the innings with his dismissals of Ponting, Williams

and MacGill in five balls. Australia's 556 total was scored in 537 minutes off 127 overs. SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at stumps on the second day of the second Test between Australia and India at the Adelaide Oval on Saturday

AUSTRALIA: First innings (overnight

Langer c Sehwag b Kumble Havden c Patel b Pathan Ponting c Dravid b Kumble Martyn c Laxman b Nehra Waugh b Nehra $Katich\,c\,Sehwag\,b\,Agarkar$ Gilchrist c Sehwag b Agarkar Bichel c Chopra b Kumble Gillespie not out Williams b Kumble MacGill lbw b Kumble Extras: (lb-8, w-1, nb-4) Total: (All out in 127 overs)

Fall of wickets: 1-22, 2-135, 3-200, 4-252 5-390, 6-426, 7-473, 8-556, 9-556 1 119 Agarkar 3 136 27 Pathan 3 115 3 154 0 21

Extras: (lb-2, w-1, nb-2) Total: (For 4 wkts in 51 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-66, 2-81, 3-83, 4-85

45 Gillespie 13 4 Williams 10 3 27 12 2 Bichel 55 MacGill 10 2 29 Katich 3 0 19 Waugh

Nehra Kumble Sehwag Tendulkar INDIA: First innings Chopra c and b Bichel Sehwag c Hayden b Bichel Dravid not out $Tendulkar\,c\,Gilchrist\,b\,Bichel$ Ganguly run out (Williams) Laxman not out

To bat: Patel, Agarkar, Kumble, Pathan

Premiership club, he added: "We

for the first six years at Old Trafford but he has piled up the trophies

is upped to 5 million pounds a year from January 2004. And he staggered the board by insisting his new pay package is backdated to the beginning of

United directors, according to

The unnamed director added: "This is one of the biggest clubs in the world, it's a huge business, and we're being held to ransom. Something has got to give."

upset City backers who say it is bad business practice. "Nobody has signed anything

negotiations going on," a source is nonsense. There is no split in the board and everything is going "Alex has made it clear he wants long-term deal, but some are

shareholders.

Love-lorn Reds FROM PAGE 13 Munna also believes the team's A three-way battle

"I'm convinced there is even

more to come from him. He can

improve everywhere, in every-

FIFA's Player of the Year is

determined by a system involving

142 national team coaches who put

forward their three favourite play-

ers of the year with the first choice

worth five points, the second

choice three and their last choice

Monday Henry has already bagged

one prize this season as he was

made Player of the Year by French

football magazine Onze ahead of

Henry's ability was seen to good

Zidane and David Beckham.

Regardless of how he does on

one point.

Football

The identity of the 2003 FIFA Player of the Year award will be unveiled here on Monday with three candidates in the frame for the coveted prize Ronaldo, Zinedine Zidane and Thierry Henry.

Ronaldo is no stranger to the award, having won it a record three

The Real Madrid striker and Brazil World Cup winner walked off with the prize in 1996, 1997 and last year when he came in ahead of Bayern Munich keeper Oliver Kahn

RONALDO

with Zidane, the winner in 1998 and 2000, in third.

Arsenal hitman Henry in contrast has made it to the final vote for the very first time. Meanwhile, Arsene Wenger

says this year's FIFA Player of the

Year award should go to Henry. Assessing Henry's chances of having his name added to on an illustrious roll of honour Wenger

said: "On his individual perfor-

mances, then, yes, he should win.

"But the biggest step is to have been considered in the top three. "Between him, Zidane or Ronaldo then it becomes more

subjective. There is nothing

effect this week in Arsenal's 2-0 Champions League win over Lokomotive Moscow when two of his exquisite passes set up both

ZINEDINE ZIDANE

"Massive" was how Wenger assessed Henry's contribution in the victory.

In the women's category United States forward Mia Hamm, who has twice won the title, in 2001 and 2002, is pitted alongside Birgit Prinz, one of Germany's 2003 World Cup winning team, and Sweden's Hanna Ljungberg.

Poverty", an initiative organised by

After the award ceremony, the Finally, the national teams will festivities will continue on the field also be rewarded for their efforts. of play with the "Match against

in March 2003.

Sofia for Liverpool

goals.

WUEFA CUP

Former champions Liverpool were handed a UEFA Cup draw against Levski Sofia here on Friday and chief executive Rick Parry looked forward to their clash with the Bulgarian club.

Top clubs in Europe's second-tier competition would have in general been pleased with their

third round draws. Newcastle visit Valerengen of Norway, Liverpool host Levski Sofia, Barcelona travel to

were delighted to win this competition in 2001. That was very important for us. It's a competition we take extremely seriously but we take all of them seriously. It's not yet Christmas so we haven't yet

"We would love to win the UEFA

Cup again but it's not the only competition by any means. Apart from Gaziantepspor hosting AS Roma, three other Turkish clubs were in action Italy's

written the season off.

Parma host Genclerbirligi, Spain's Valencia meet Besiktas, and Galatasaray clash with Villarreal, also of Spain. Turkish clubs have been in the

Brondby (DEN) v Barcelona (SPA) Parma (ITA) v Genclerbirligi (TUR) Benfica (POR) v Rosenborg (NOR) Marseille (FRA) v Dniepropetrovsk

Celtic (SCO) v Teplice (CZE) Perugia (ITA) v PSV Eindhoven (NED)

Groclin (POL) v Bordeaux (FRA) Valencia (SPA) v Besiktas (TUR) Galatasaray (TUR) v Villarreal

Sochaux (FRA) v Inter Milan (ITA) Liverpool (ENG) v Levski Sofia

FC Bruges (BEL) v Debrecen (HUN)

Gaziantepspor (TUR) v AS Roma

Valerengen (NOR) v Newcastle

Ferguson flays rumour mill

Football

AFP, London

Sir Alex Ferguson has dismissed as rubbish a report that a group of rebel Old Trafford directors are challenging his new contract claiming he is power hungry.

The 62-year-old Scot expected

to sign a 15-million-pound three-

year extension to his current con-

tract which would keep him at the club until 2007 in the next few days. But The Daily Mirror reported Friday that rebel shareholders want to offer the Scot a one-year rolling contract when his deal runs

Ferguson's legal dispute with Irish racing tycoon John Magnier, the club's biggest shareholder, over ownership of champion racehorse Rock Of Gibraltar is at the centre of the reported row that was said to be dividing directors at a board meeting on Friday.

But after contacting David Gill,

United's chief executive, Ferguson

out in 18 months' time.

said: "Of course it is absolute rubbish. It is mischief-making emanating out of Ireland. "I don't know why." He added: "David assured me it

Friday's report in the Mirror quoted one United director on convinced that may not be in the condition of anonymity as saying Ferguson was holding the club to

> the team have been, or will be, in future, on the pitch.

since then with eight Premiership titles, four FA Cups and one European Cup. During his contract negotiations he has insisted his annual pay

the report, have expressed concern about Ferguson's health after his recent heart treatment but the Mirror says he has refused to appoint an assistant and future successor, and will not sign a clause stipulating he would step down if any of his on-going court battles prove an embarrassment to the club.

Sir Alex has been told that he cannot be given the lengthy contract he wants because it would

yet. There are still discussions and

best interests of the club or its "We're a global business concern and can't be held to ransom by one rather bullying and menacng man no matter how successful

"Alex is not bigger than Manchester United though I'm not too sure he would necessarily agree with that statement. Ferguson is suing Magnier over

the stallion's potential 100 million pound stud fees. Magnier, who has a 24 per cent share in United in tandem with partner JP McManus, is said to be

ownership of Rock of Gibraltar and

spitting blood" that his old friend is challenging his word over what



he considered to be an innocent

It has emerged that Ferguson

rejected a 200,000 pound olive branch from Magnier to settle the

He was offered two shares in the colt's northern hemisphere breeding rights each year, plus two in the Australian mating season. This is despite the United man-

ing and believing that the Rock running in his colours meant he was entitled to half it was worth.

One City expert, who asked

not to be named, said: "It's a real

dilemma what they do with

Fergie. He's not your average manager. "It's easy to see why some people might be resisting giving

him a three-year contract.

connection and the Irish connection's shareholding in the club. Then there is his age and the recent health scare.

he's started against the Irish

"You've got the legal action

"There's also the possibility of a takeover bid for the club. "Depending on where that

might not want Fergie. If he had a three-year contract they'd have to give him a big fat cheque to go away. "There's a big difference between him and players who

But another analyst close to

came from, the new owners

get long contracts. "You can always transfer a player, but you can't really transfer a manager. So if they didn't want him they'd be legally bound to pay him off."

the club said it could cause more panic if the United board only give Fergie an extra one-year

successor and the thing the City

"He's been the manager for so long. He was the manager before the club was launched on the stock market and has been ever "There is still no obvious

hates most is uncertainty. So to ager not paying a penny towards the upkeep of the horse or its traingive him a short-term contract could cause more panic.'

spotlight lately with European football's governing body ruling that fixtures must be played outside the country following recent homb attacks Denmark's Brondby, Inter Milan visit Sochaux, Gaziantepspoi Spartak Moscow (RUS) v Real entertain AS Roma and Celtic, who were ousted in the final minutes However Villarreal official from the Champions League on Fernando Roig said the club had no problems visiting Turkey on February 26 next year with the Wednesday by Lyon, host Czech Auxerre (FRA) v Panathinaikos Teplice in first leg matches. Parry said: "It will be another second leg on March 3. trip to eastern Europe for us to a Roig said: "I hope that everything is new club that we haven't played in okay for the people in Turkey. That 1st leg: February 26 2004 everything is peaceful for them. And on the importance of the And that we can go to Istanbul. For us it will be no problem." 2nd leg: March 3 2004 competition following a generally disappointing season so far for the **UEFA CUP THIRD ROUND**