

Pakistan profit from Mahanama's misery

KARACHI, Jan 13: Pakistan swept to a 29-run victory in the second one-day cricket international on Monday after Sri Lanka opener Roshan Mhanama's bid to upset the favourites was cut short by cramp, reports Reuter.

Sri Lanka, facing Pakistan's 40 overs total of 210 for five, were dismissed for 181 in 36.1 overs after Mahanama was carried from the field with cramp. He had made 60, the top score in the match.

Mahanama was playing well and dominating the bowling when he retired hurt in the 27th over after an innings of 128 balls. He did not return.

Pakistan made short work of the rest of Sri Lanka's batting, paceman Wasim Akram finishing with three for 31 and leg-spinner Mushtaq Ahmed two for 39.

The touring team started deceptively well and kept a

brisk tempo for the first 10 overs until slowed down by the loss of opener Chandika Hathurusinghe for 14 and Asanka Gurusinha for 13.



IMRAN KHAN

Sri Lanka suffered two significant blows during two overs midway through the innings when Mushtaq had captain Aravinda De Silva caught at long off for 24 and Snath Jayasuria was trapped leg before by fast bowler Waqar

Younis for nought.

The Sri Lankans, having reached 134 for four, crumbled as Pakistan captured five wickets for 47.

Pakistan, sent in to bat after Aravinda De Silva won the toss, were boosted by a quick-fire, unbeaten 44 from captain Imran Khan. He also took one for 44, winning the man-of-the-match award.

The third one-day will be played at Hyderabad on Wednesday.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard in the second one-day cricket international between Pakistan and Sri Lanka today.

PAKISTAN
Rameez Raja c Labrooy b Jayasuria 35
Inzamamul Haq run out 48
Javed Miandad 29
Salim Malik b Labrooy 36
Imran Khan not out 44
Wasim Akram c Kalpage b Wijegunawardene 7

Extras (lb-4 w-1 nb-5) 40
Total (five wickets - 40 overs) 210

Fall of wickets: 1-89, 2-89, 3-150, 4-160, 5-194.

Bowling	O	M	R	W
Ramanayake	6	2	17	0
Labrooy	8	0	56	1
Wickrema singhe	5	1	26	0
Wijegunawar				
dene	8	0	43	2
Kalpage	8	0	37	0
Jayasuria	5	0	27	1

SRI LANKA
Mahanama retired hurt 60
Iathurusinghe b Wasim Akram 14
Gurusinha c Wasim Akram b Waqar Younis 13
De Silva c sub Akram Raza b Mushtaq Ahmed 24
Jayasuria lbw Waqar Younis 0
Tillekeratne not out 29
Kalpage b Mushtaq Ahmed 3
Labrooy b Imran Khan 13
Ramanayake b Wasim Akram 4
Wijegunawardene run out 7
Wickremasinghe b Wasim Akram 0
Extras (lb-10 w-3 nb-1) 14
Total (36.1 overs) 181

Fall of wickets: 1-46, 2-66, 3-109, 4-111, 5-134, 6-155, 7-167, 8-178, 9-181.

Bowling	O	M	R	W
Wasim Akram	6	1	31	3
Waqar Younis	8	1	38	2
Aaqib Javed	6	0	19	0
Imran Khan	8	0	44	1
Mushtaq Ahmed	8	0	39	2

Result: Pakistan won by 29 runs.
Third one-day match at Hyderabad on January 15.

MSC sign up Iranian stars

Sports Reporter

Mohammedan Sporting Club, one of the leading challengers for the Star First Division soccer league, are learnt to have finalised their negotiations with two Iranian stars who will be joining them soon.

According to Anwarul Haq Helal, a responsible club official, Mohammedans have secured the services of Iranian national midfielder Syed Mohammad Sajjadi and Sharrukh Bayani, a gifted striker who plays for the champion Iranian team Esteghlal Club.

The Daily Star learnt last night that Sajjadi is due any time next week while Bayani's arrival will be slightly delayed because he has to appear in a vital engagement for his club on January 17. Bayani, club officials hope, will reach Dhaka by January 25.

As for the third overseas signing which every club is allowed in the Star League, Mohammedans are likely to wait a while before deciding on whether to recruit a defender or a striker. The performance of the Mohammedan defence line in their league opener against newcomers Eskaton Sabuj Sangha last Saturday, which Mohammedans struggled to win 3-2, has had their officials quite worried.

Bayani will be no stranger to Dhaka. Only last year he helped Esteghlal win the 10th Asian Club Cup championship, playing a key role in the triumph.

Chris Lewis stakes Test claim

NELSON, New Zealand, Jan 13: All-rounder Chris Lewis staked a strong claim today for a place in England's cricket Test team with a strong bowling and fielding display on the first day of a three-day game against a New Zealand XI, reports Reuter.

Play was delayed until 3.30 pm (0230 GMT) following heavy overnight rain as the England tourists moved into New Zealand's South Island for the first time before Saturday's first Test match in Christchurch.

The 23-year-old Guyanese-born Lewis took two for 18 in a 12-over spell and also performed an athletic run-out to dismiss Mark Douglas. The New Zealanders had struggled to 128 for four at the close.

Hong Kong-born medium-pacer Dermot Reeve had the New Zealand XI's captain Mark Greatbatch caught by Graham Gooch to follow up his impressive three for 22 haul in

Saturday's one-day international in Auckland.

New Zealand's selectors are in Nelson to fill the final slots in their Test match team and



CHRIS LEWIS

Greatbatch was looking for a big innings to seal his place. He had scored only 25 when his mistimed sweep was caught by the England captain.

England's main pace bowler David Lawrence is battling to recover from a strained side. The strong showings by Lewis

and Reeve will be comfort to England selectors if Lawrence is ruled out of Saturday's Test.

Both all-rounders are also fighting to keep Ian Botham out of the side. Botham, who has been starring in a pantomime in England, will not arrive in New Zealand until after the first Test.

New Zealand, in dire need of batting practice after Saturday's seven-wicket defeat, chose to bat when play eventually began today.

England left out Lawrence, Philip Tufnell and Neal Fairbrother for the Nelson match, a warm-up for the few players who have yet to play a good innings on tour.

Middle order batsman Mark Ramprakash, who played six Tests last year, was selected, as was wicketkeeper Jack Russell, who was replaced by Alec Stewart on Saturday.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at the end of the rain-affected first day of the three-day cricket match between England and New Zealand XI today.

New Zealand XI first innings:
Brown lbw b Lewis 30
Pocock c Russell b Lewis 12
Douglas run out 0
Thomson not out 34
Greatbatch c Gooch b Reeve 25
Vaughan not out 18
Extras (lb-8, nb-1) 9
Total (for four wickets) 128

Fall of wickets: 1-42, 2-44, 3-47, 4-94

Bowling	O	M	R	W
DeFreitas	14	2	54	0
Lewis	12	5	18	2
Pringle	13	6	13	0
Reeve	11	7	11	1
Hick	9	0	24	0

India to miss More's services

SYDNEY, Jan 13: India received mixed news on the injury front on Monday, the eve of its crucial World Series Cup match against Australia at the Sydney Cricket Ground, reports AP.

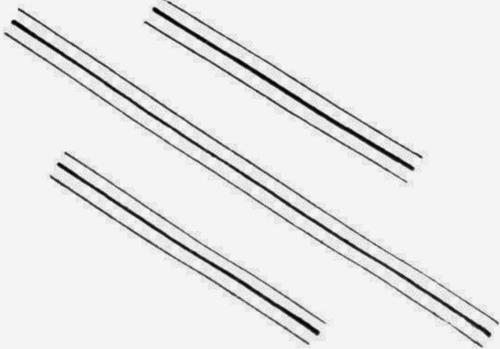
Wicket-keeper Kiran More was ruled out with a pulled

thigh muscle but experienced all-rounder Ravi Shastri was cleared to play, team officials said. Shastri missed India's six-wicket loss to the West Indies in Brisbane on Saturday because of a thigh muscle strain.

Indian team manager Abbas Ali Baig said More's injury, which could also rule him out of India's final World Series Cup match against the West Indies in Melbourne on Thursday.

India needs to win one of its last two World Series Cup games to qualify for a finals berth against Australia.

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11 Melancholy
12 Work-shipped
14 Marty Robbins hit
15 Last act
16 Inventor
17 Bowie, e.g.
19 "Golly!"
20 Campus building
22 Blueprint add-on
23 007
24 "Slammin' Sammy"
26 Carbon compounds
28 Verily
30 Emulate
31 Elastic
35 Of punishment
39 Saber's kin

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40 Young 'un
42 Fight the clock
43 Ending for heir or lion
44 Not settled
46 Hard water?
47 End of a T.
49 Kept
51 Septigamist's town?
52 "Gun-smoke" star
53 Burpee's wares
54 Can't

forgo
moon goddess
1 Blake
11 Pays attention
13 Gary Cooper role
2 "The —
18 Sort
21 Possibly
23 Arbor
25 Billy —
4 Secretary, e.g.
27 Acme
29 Naive
31 Oboist's supply
7 Entertainer
32 Tips over
33 Blues legend
8 Lo-o-ong
34 Whom
9 Puff, of song
10 Greek
36 Apprehended
37 Entry
38 Yorkshire city
41 Gigantic one
44 Barney's pal
45 Have the chutzpah
48 " — been had"
50 Adjective ending

Solution time: 28 mins.

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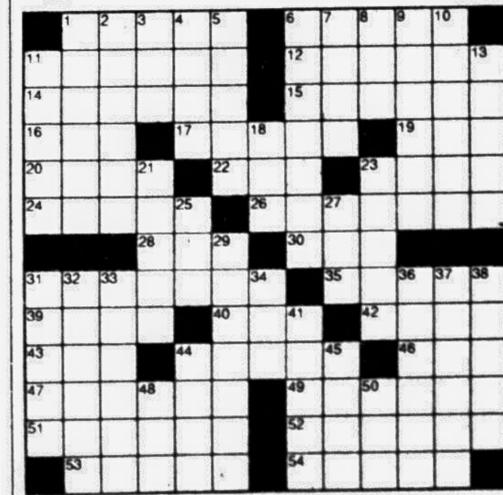
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Today's Cryptogram clue: Q equals G
The Cryptogram is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.