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Bangladesh Television (BTV) will telecast live the crucial First Division football league match between defending champions Abahani Krira Chakra and arch-rivals Mohammedan Sporting Club from the Mirpur Stadium on June 7 according to a senior BTV official yesterday.

BTV, which has been criticised for neglecting local sports, has finally condeseended to whet the growing appetite of local soccer fans, the official who asked not to be named, added.

However, BTV is yet to reach an accord with the Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) as regards royalty. But the BTV official hoped that wouldn't be a problem and the contract would be signed in a day or two.

Meanwhile, soccer fans expecting to watch matches of the forthcoming European Championship in Sweden are likely to be disappointed. A BTV source said the steep fees for live coverage rights coupled with the poor performances of Bangladesh's earth satellite station have virtually uled out the prospects o showing the matches in Bangladesh.

Mugda, DOHS cricketers win

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Mugda Cricketers moved into the Group C final beating Amateur Cricket Association by 58 runs in the qualifying meet for the Second Division cricket league at the Mirpur Pallabi ground yesterday.

In the other match of the day, DOHS (Jrs) made the Group II semifinals by record ing an exciting seven-run vic tory over Ashkana Krira Parishad at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium.

At Mirpur Pallabi, batting first, Mugda Cricketers made a massive 210 for the loss of eight wickets in their stipulated 35 overs with opener Masud collecting 63, Pintu 22 and Rafiq 17 while extras

amounted to a staggering 43. Farid with three for 36 and Mushtaq with two for 44 were the most successful bowlers for Amateur Association.

Amateur, in their turn, were bundled out for 152 in 33.2 overs with Mithu making 24, Mushtaq 20 and Anwar 19. Kayes, Irfan and Enam took two wickets apiece for Mugda.

At the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium, DOHS (Jrs) made 145 for 9 in 35 overs with opener Kaiser Hamid, the star Mohammedan Sporting footballer, getting 52, Kaiser Ali 17 and Bablu 11.

Ashkana skipper Krishna was the pick of his team's attack claiming four wickets for only 15 runs while Litu, Raju and Pasha got a wicket apiece,

Chasing a modest target of 146 in 35 overs, Ashkana undershot by seven runs, losing all their wickets for 38 in 34.3 overs.

Sohel made 21 while Ujjal and Raju got 18 each for Ashkana.

Bablu took three wickets for

TODAY'S MATCHES

Malibagh Bright Star vs Maghbazar Kishalay (Narayanganj Osmani Stadium) Jupiter vs Evergreen

(Mirpur Pallabi) Lalkuthi vs Muradpur (T&T ground)

Qatar qualify

DOHA, June 1: Qatar booked their place in October's Asian Nations Cup soccer finals in Hiroshima with a 4-0 win over Oman in the Group 1 qualifiers here on Sunday, reports AFP.

Kiwi booters beat Werder Bremen

WELLINGTON, June 1: Striker Wynton Rufer scored in the 53rd minute Monday to lift the New Zealand national soccer team to a 2-1 victory over reigning European Cup Winners' Cup champion Werder Bremen of Germany. reports AP.

The win tied a three-match series between the teams at 1-1. The third and deciding match will be played Wednesday in Christchurch.

Rodger Gray headed New Zealand ahead in the 19th minute and Rufer scored with a firm shot eight minutes after halftime to clinch the win.

Rufer normally plays for Werder, but also is a member of the New Zealand national team.

Striker Marco Bode scored an 88th minute consolation goal for the German club, while striker Fred de Jong, who plays for Dutch club Fortuna Sittard, missed a last minute penalty for New Zcaland.

BTV plans to telecast June 7 Tipu's treble for BRTC

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successive day. a continued in the First Division football league

with Bangladesh Road Transport Corporation (BRTC) and Sadharan Bima Krira Sangstha winning their respective matches and Tipu of the former club notching the seventh hattrick of the scason.

BRTC spared no pains to practise target on a moribund BJMC when they macadamised the jutemen 5-1 in the day's second match under the floodlights at the Dhaka Stadium. Earlier, at the same venue, Sadharan Bima Krira Sangstha won their match against Farashgani by the odd goal in

For the relegation-bound BJMC it was their second thrashing in succession following their 1-5 loss to Muktijoddha Sangsad in the earlier match. While the goddess of fortune refused change her mind about the hapless BKSP boys in the rather ill-fitted garb of jutemen, it certainly smiled on one of their victors.

Tipu, the BRTC forward, accomplished what Masud Rana of Muktijoddha, currently the third highest scorer of the league, failed to achieve in their match against BRTC, on

BRTC, who with yesterday's win raised their points tally to 14 from 18 matches, had their opponents, with only three

points from 18 matches, grovelling last night with seasoned Proshanto leading repeated sorties in association with Ratan and Tipu. The battlescarred Proshanto quite deservingly opened the account for his side when he found the net in the 24th minute of the

match (1-0). Tipu scored the first of his three goals in the 34th minute following a fine concerted move and the winners ended their first half campaign with

a comfortable two-ntl lead. The post-lemon session saw no change in the pattern with BRTC resuming their goal-hunt with renewed vigour and Masud, who had the ignominy of receiving a marching order later, made it 3-0 in the eleventh minute.

Tipu scored his second and the side's fourth goal in the 30th minute and completed his hattrick twelve minutes later when he nodded the ball home, past a perplexed Selim after a Ratan attempt had come to him off the crosspiece (5-0).

Suman of BJMC pulled one back one at the fag end of the match to make sure that they did not go home emptyhanded (5-1).

BRTC SC : Moslem, Humayun, Ranajit, Shaheen, Shariful, Devashish, Masud Proshanto, Noman (Chanchal), Tipu and Ratan.

BJMC SC : Selim, Papel, Sabu, Niaj, Shankar (Mamun), Rashed, Shahis, Milon, Alamgir Mastan and Nipu (Sumon). Shamsuddin Referee

Ahmed. BIMA'S FULL POINTS

Sadharan Bima Krira Sangstha earned full points in the first match of the day when they defeated Farashganj Sporting Club 3-2 to raise their points tally to 15 points from 18 matches.

Rinku seored from inside the box in the seventh minute of the match 1-0. Badal made it two-nil five minutes later. The winners led the first half

Lakshmi reduced the mar gin for Farashgani utilising a fine cross from Shimul in the 16th minute of the second half

Sadharan Bima got their third goal a minute later when Basu made it 3-1.

Lakshmi scored the second goal for Farashganj in the 25th minute (3-2). Farashganj did not seem unhappy in losing or giving away two points as they already had 16 from 18 matches.

Meanwhile, the newly elected adhor committee of the Bangladesh Football Federation, led by president Siddiqur Rahman who had retained his post, formally took over the reins yesterday.

TODAY'S MATCHES Agrani Bank vs Arambagh (5

pm, Dhaka Stadium) Muktijoddha ys Wari (7 pm, Dhaka Stadium)

Real, Barcelona neck-and-neck



MADRID, June 1: Real Madrid and Barcelona, struggling for supremacy in Spain's closest soccer league contest in years, both

won their matches on Sunday leaving the championships a eliffhanger with one match left to play, reports Reuter. Real have a one point advan-

tage over last year's champions and both have relatively easy final matches, Real away to lowly Tenerife and Barcelona against Atletic Bilbao at home.

A scrappy Real managed a 2-1 victory over Valencia while new European Cup champions Barcelona hammered a 4-0 win over city rivals Espanol.

Atletico Madrid bowed out of the title race after drawing 1-1 away to Deportivo la Coruna.

Michel Gonzalez opened the scoring for league leaders Real with left-foot shot in the 41st minute for 12 metres. Fernando Hierro made it 2-0 nine minutes later. Roberto Fernandez raised

Valencia's hopes in the second half, pulling back to 2-1 with a goal from the penalty spot. Real bungled a series of chances to go further ahead

to clinch victory. Barcelona maintained their recent goalscoring flurry despite playing virtually threequarters of the match with 10

but held off Valencia's attacks

Defender Nando Munoz was sent off in the 24th minute for a foul on Luis Gonazlez, but Bardelona's Dutch powerhouse Ronald Koeman scored a penalty seven minutes later to make it 1-0.

Aitor Beguristain struck in the 52nd and Eusebio Sacristan in the 60th. Alberto Ferrrer added the fourth in the final minute of the match.

Portuguese striker Paulo Futre saved Atletico Madrid from an ignominious defeat with a 55th minute goal to equalise a 19th minute penalty by Deportivo's Yugoslav defender Miroslav Djukic.

Futre was sent off two minutes from time for repeated protests to the referec.

Portugal hold Italy goalless



NEW HAVEN. Connecticut! June 1: Italy and Portugal played to a scoreless draw in pouring rain at

the Yale Bowl on Sunday in the second match of the U.S Cup '92 soccer tournament reports Reuter. In the opening match of

the four-nation tournament in Washington on Saturday, the United States stunned Ircland Sunday's contest might be

better remembered for the miserable weather conditions than the quality of the match, which saw referee Raul Dominguez hand out two red cards and five yellows.

Italy's Roberto Donadoni was ejected for a rough foul in the 84th minute and Portuguese defender Leal was sent off one minute later.

BREMEN, Germany, June 1:

Karlheinz Riedle will be re-

united with forward partner

Rudi Voeller when Germany plays Northern Ireland Tues-

day in its last tune-up game for

the European Championships,

Riedle set out Germany's

lacklustre 1-0 victory over

Turkey on Saturday because of

was Voeller's partner during

the 1990 World Cup in Italy

when Germany won the title,

had a disappointing game

against Turkey and will be sent

Coach Berti Vogts clearly

prefers the Voeller-Riedle

combination in the attack and

the two Italy-based strikers are

expected to start for Germany

at the European Champion-

ships later this month in

Voeller scored the only goal

Andreas Moeller, who is

leaving Eintracht Frankfurt for

Juventus Turin after the tour-

nament in Sweden, will miss

Tuesday's game because of

poor form and a light ham-

Ctg handball on

CHITTAGONG, June 1: The

Islamia Metropolitan handball

league began at the Laldighi

ground here this afternoon

under the auspices of the Chit-

tagong Metropolitan Sports

The inaugural match be-

Solaiman of Bakolia scored

tween South Bakolia Sports

Association and Bengal Club

four goals while Safayat and

Purna Tripura of Bengal Club

Association, reports BSS.

ended in a ten-all draw.

scored three goals each.

Juergen Klinsmann, who

reports AP.

a neck injury.

back to the bench.

Sweden.

against Turkey.

Constant rain never let up and there was so much water on the field that players looked as if they would have been better off wearing flippers than soccer shoes.

Players on both sides had so much trouble with their footing on the soggy pitch that many fouls appeared to be caused by players crashing into each other by accident.

Trying to ignore the adverse conditions, both sides attempted to play an attacking style before a crowd of 38,833.

The Italians, who had six players from their 1990 World

Germany -N Ireland tie today

string injury.

Cup team in the starting lineup, dominated the match despite the lack of scoring. They produced the best scoring chance of the day in

the 74th minute when Alessandro Costacurta placed a right wing cross to substitute Attilio Lombardo. But

played very well."

Cameroon and Gor Mahia of Kenya drew 1-1 (halftime 0-1) in an African champion clubs' cup second round, second leg

Scorers: Canon - Nourrodine Lawal (66th minute)

(40th) Attendance: 20,000

Aggregate 1-1. Gor Mahia win on away goals rule.

DMFA penalises BU, Abahani

The disciplinary committee of the Dhaka Metropolis football league has decided to recommend punitive actions against the two clubs and officials involved in Saturday's incident during a match between Abahani and Brothers at the Mirpur Stadium.

The committee, in a meeting yesterday, decided on a fine of Tk 10,000 each for Abahani KC and Brothers Union for their involvement in the clash between players of the two clubs, it was learnt.

It will recommend an additional fine of Tk 25,000 on Brothers Union plus punitive action against four of its officials - football secretary Ujjal, coach Selim, Lokman and Ka-

The disciplinary committee will soon place their recommendations before the league committee for a final decision

French soccer fed chief charged with manslaughter

BASTIA, Corsica, June 1 Jean Fournet-Fayard, president of the French Football Federation, has been charged with manslaughter, in connection with last month's Corsican disaster which killed 15 people. reports AFP.

Examining magistrate Jean Pierre Rousseau, who also charged him with unintentional assault, granted him bail, legal sources said.

Fournet-Fayard, given a vote of confidence by his federation members at Saturday's annual meeting, has always denied responsibility for the disaster.

A temporary stand col lapsed before the Bastia verus Olympique Marseille French Cup semi-final, killing 15 people and injuring 1,300. A dozen of the injured are still in a critical condition and many may be paralysed for life.

Fornet Fayard flew out of Corsica for Paris on Monday without making a statement

Ma-o-Moni soccer in September Sports Reporter

The Ma-o-Moni youth-under 14 gold cup football champi onship under the aegis of the Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) will begin in September

All sixty-four district youth teams - split into eight zones - are likely to take part in the preliminary round of the tournament at eight different venues across the country. The finals of the meet are expected to be held in Dhaka.

In the last version of the Ma-o-Moni football championship in 1989 some First Division teams under the four divisions of the country participated with Dhaka Mohamme dan Sporting Club emerging as the champions beating arch rivals Abahani Krira Chakra in the final.

The sponsors of the meet — Expanded Programme on Immunization (EPI), a UNICEFbacked project - have decided to limit the competition to the boys in order to popularise the immunization programme among youngsters and mothers across the country.

EPI, who will sponsor the tourney, for three successive years, will give the BFF a sum of Taka three lakh for each

The new BFF ad-hoc committee is likely to take necessary measures in connection with this year's meet soon.

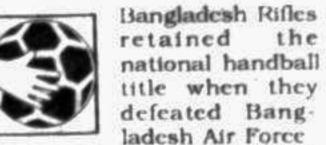


Brazilian driver Ayrton Senna holds high his trophy after winning the Monaco Formula One GP yesterday on his -Star photo



State Minister for Youth and Sports Sadeq Hossain Khoka giving away the national handball trophy to champions BDR at the Outer Stadium yesterday.

BDR retain handball title Sports Reporter



ladesh Air Force 18-12 in the final of the eighth Sunball handball championship yesterday at the Outer Stadium

handball court. The six-time champions led the first half of a keenly contested match 12-6.

Earlier, BDR had beaten last year's runners-up Dhaka DSA in the semifinal of the tenteam meet that began on May 25, while Air Force got the better of Ansars on their way to the final.

Rafiqul of BDR emerged as the highest scorer of the final with seven goals to his name while Nizam and Tamizul of the same team scored three

goals each. Maung Shwe Pruc and Mustafa with two goals each were the other notable scorers for BDR.

Shaft was the topscorer for Air Force with five goals while Sultan, his teammate, was on

target four times.

State Minister for Youth and Sports Sadeq Hossain gave

away he prizes as chief guest. The Bangladesh Handball

Champions Bangladesh Rifles 1984 Bangladesh Rifles 1985 Bangladesh Rifles Bangladesh Rifles 1987 Bangladesh Air Force (4th Bangladesh Games) BDR 1988 Bangladesh Rifles 1990 Bangladesh Rifles 1992

Tamizul Islam, Kazi Nizam, Ali, Jaglul Haider, Maung Shwe o Prue, Sanath Malakar, Matin. BAF: Mailish, Ali, Shafi, Fer-

Referees' Association named

Shahed Ali of Air Force as the

BDR: Manfar Alt, Rafiqui,

best player of the tournament.

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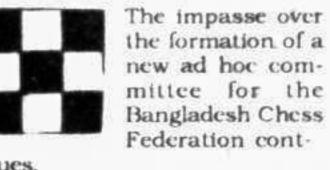
ROLL OF HONOUR

Runners-up Bangladesh Air Force Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation Bangladesh Air Force Bangladesh Air Force Bangladesh Ansars Dhaka Metropolis Dhaka DSA Bangladesh Air Force

Chess fed impasse continues

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bent BCF president had pro-



inues.

The intense lobbying over the past few days on behalf of two rival groups centering around the key post of general secretary continued unabated with one group favouring the appointment of Mujibur Rahman as the new secretary and the other, led by most players, backing the candidature of Capt (Retd) Syed Shujauddin Ahmed, a former general secretary. No decision had been made

by the National Sports Council the appointing authority, which is headed by State Minister 'for Youth and Sports Sadeq Hossain Khoka. However, when contacted over telephone late last night. Sadeq Hossain Khoka told The Daily Star that he hopes to arrive at a decision on the mat ter within a day or two. He said he had heard representatives of both factions - one supported by the present BCF president Nasimuddin Ahmed, the finance Secretary and the other by a majority of the players including the country's only Grandmaster Niaz Murshed who himself held the post of general secretary only too briefly from January till April last year. Khoka said efforts were on to arrive at a nutually acceptable solution in

the greater interest of chess in the country. It is learnt that the incum-

posed a 13-member committee with Mujibur Rahman, a former East Pakistan chess champion and still a keen follower of the game, to replace the present acting secretary the ageing K M Shakoor who has expressed his inability to continue on health grounds. Most players of repute, led by Niaz Murshed, submitted a petition to the NSC and the Sports Minister suggesting that Capt Shuja be made the new secretary. It is also rumoured that the present BCF

in the rather charged atmosphere, the NSC Secretary yesterday submitted a draft 21member committee to the authority for approval. In that list Shujauddin has been proposed as the new secretary. Yet, in an unprecedented act, Mujibur Rahman has already tried to assume the functions of the secretary since Sunday and has even issued and signed orders on BCF stationary in this capacity

chief has made it known that

unless he is given a secretary

of his own choice he may not

be able to continue in his pre-

Talking to The Daily Star, Sports Minister Sadeq Hossain said that he himself was in favour of a larger committee than the one proposed by the BCF chief, in line with most

However, the minister refused to be pre-empted about his final decision. The imbroglio over the choice of the secretary has been attributed to the long-

other national federations.

running clash of interests between two groups, one headed by Niaz Murshed and the other by national women's champion and International Woman Master Rani Hamid, along with their respective allies and supporters both within and outside the federation.

Meanwhile, Niaz Murshed and Mujibur Rahman are both expected to meet the Sports Minister tomorrow. According to another re-

port, the NSC is also likely to

revamp at least three other national federations, namely gymnastics, weightlifting and rowing. New committees are expected within this week. While the gymnastics and weightlifting federation bodies have become necessary following the request by their incumbent chiefs to be relieved

to their responsibilities, the

rowing federation recasting

has been necessitated follow-

ing reports of widespread cor-

ruption and malpractice by members of the existing body. The NSC is awaiting the report of an enquiry commission probing allegations of malpractice such as indulging in illegal manpower export by certain officials of the rowing federa-

IAAF to uphold UN sanctions



TORONTO, June International Amateur Athletic Federation Pres ident Primo Nebiolo on Sunday

against Yugoslavia and a Kuwaiti official called for a similar ban on Iraqi athletes, reports Reuter. Nebiolo, speaking to reporters after three days of meetings of the IAAF Council,

said the UN sanctions against

Yugoslavia were not specifically

discussed but he felt the need

said his organisation must back

United Nations sanctions

to address the issue. "My personal feeling is we in the IAAF must follow the UN decision. In the Olympics, no one can compete unless with the authority of our federation," Nebiolo said of the IAAF, the world governing body for athletics.

"We are ready to follow the decision of the UN because we share their ideas and reasons," he said.

The UN Security Council on Saturday imposed stiff economic sanctions against Yugoslavia and its two remaining republies of Serbia and Monte, gro in a bid to stop ethnic fighting in the breakaway republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina. Among the sanctions was a call for a ban on Yogoslav participation in international sporting cvents.

KUWAITI DEMAND

Prior to Nebiolo's remarks,

a Kuwaiti member of the IAAF Council, who is also Secretary General of the Kuwait Olympic Committee, called on the UN and the International Olympic Committee to impose similar sanctions against Iraq.

Lazaroni to coach Bari

ROME, May 29: Italian soccer giants Juventus said on Thursday they were still negotiating with relegated Bari for the transfer of England midfielder David Platt, reports Reuter.

Italian newspaper Gazzetta Dello Sport reported on Thursday that the clubs had agreed to value Platt at 14 bil lion lire [11.6 million US dollar) and all that remained now was to settle whether Bari should receive cash or players in exchange.

But a Juventus spokesman said there was still much to be ironed out.

"We are still talking to Bari and there remain several details to define," said the spokesman, who refused to comment further on the talks. Bari confirmed on Thursday

that Brazilian Sebastian

by first Division Fiorentina last

Lazaroni will be their new coach next season in place of the Pole, Zibigniew Boniek. Lazaroni, Brazil's 1990 World Cup coach, was sacked

October.

Eisa al-Dashti said when he read of the UN sporting sanctions on Yugoslavia he could not understand why there also was not a ban on Iraq.

Al-Dashti said it was unacceptable that Iraqi athletes be permitted to compete at the Barcelona Olympics while Iraq still held Kuwaiti citizens prisoner more than a year after the conclusion of the Gulf War to liberate Kuwait.

He said he had personally met with IOC officials "at the highest level," in March to urge a ban against Iraqi athletes, but his pleas had so far fallen on deaf ears. "They (the IOC) gave us diplomatic answers," al-Dashti

said. This is something we in Kuwait cannot imagine. We will not forgive the IOC if it allows Iraqis to compete in the Olympics. Al-Dashti called the Iraqis

"murderers and killers" and accused them of holding 2,000 teenaged boys captive. He said one of those still being held captive by Iraq was Yousef-al-Mishari, Chairman of

the Kadisa Soccer Club, the

largest soccer club in Kuwait

However, al-Dashti said Kuwait would not boycott the Games whether the IOC takes action against Iraq or not. "Kuwait will go to the

Olympics," he said. "We will use the Olympies to tell all the world that there are still boys (missing) who were captured by Iraq.

"It's a very important game," Vogts said. "I have to see how the team will adjust to the British way of playing." Germany's group opponents in Sweden are defending

land and the Commonwealth of Independent States. Las Vegas to hold World Cup draw ZURICH, June 1: Las Vegas

will stage the draw for the final

champion Netherlands, Scot-

rounds of the 1994 World Cup soccer competition in the United States, an International Football Federation (FIFA) official said today, reports Reuter. The official said the draw

would be made either on De-

cember 18 or 19 next year. World champions Germany, who are due to take part in an international soccer tournament from June 7 to 17 next year in the United States, will play a friendly against the host country on December 18 as part of the programme accompanying the draw.

Soccer result PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad, June 1: Trinidad and Tobago beat Barbados 3-0 (halftime 0-0) in the second leg of a Con-

cacaf Zone World Cup soccer

qualifier on Sunday, reports

Reuter.

(63rd minute), Kerry Jamerson (71st), Leonson Lewis (74th). Attendance: 20,000 Trinidad and Tobago won

the first leg match 2-1 in Bar-

bados on April 19.

Scorers: Márvin Faustin

crossbar. "We should have closed the game in the first half," said somewhat disappointed Italian coach Arrigo Sacchi. "But considering the situation, we

Lombardo, who came on in the

35th minute, sailed a header

from six metres out over the

The tournament continues on Wednesday in Chicago with Portugal taking on the hosts United States. African soccer

on Sunday, reports Reuter.

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YAOUNDE, June 1: Canon of

McLaren.