

# One's dirge for all: Poles beat Reds

Sports Reporter

Sheikh Mohammad Aslam missed more than two sure sitters to confirm that his life on the green is over and the dirge for this long-serving striker turned out to be the tune of the partisan crowd who thronged at the Dhaka Stadium last evening when Bangladesh Reds succumbed to a one-nil

the goal came exactly in the nineteenth minute of the second half, just a minute after the hosts were robbed of a golden chance of forcing ahead by Aslam. On the whole it was a disappointing wintry evening's tale for the not-too-encouraging crowd as the local outfit, deemed as the better and more experienced of the two local selections thrown into

orchestrated effort to cover up for each other's gap. Gaus, who was asked to play from a withdrawn position, was favourably placed in the eighth minute of the match but the dark nimble Abahani winger hung on to the ball too long and the Polish stoppers duly dispossessed him. Shortly after this Bangladesh survived a rather unrealised scare when left-

at the Polish defenders snatched a ball on the left flank and set Aslam up with a beauty of a chance but the latter screwed it away with all the place and time in the world. Bangladesh Reds discovered themselves a goal down the very next minute when Stromecki floated the ball from the left and an overlapping right-back Pawel



Bangladesh Reds left-back Masud Rana is thoroughly outnumbered by Polonia Warszawa players on this occasion during yesterday's opening match of the 7th President Cup football tournament at the Dhaka Stadium. The Poles beat the defending champions by a solitary goal. —Star photo

defeat to Polonia Warszawa in the opening match of the seventh President Gold Cup international football tournament. Aslam's atrocious display was all too clearly silhouetted in the background of a tragic lapse by Reds defender Monem Munna. In a bid to clear a dangerous ball after a wicked header by Warszawa's right back had slipped out of Reds skipper and custodian Mohsin's grip Munna only managed to hit a elusive Jan Karas, whose rather accidental presence in front of the goal-mouth made the day's only scorer out of him. Usually,

this eleven-day meet as they adopted an ultra defensive approach at first and later muffed up the superb chances that came their way. Only Rumman bin-Wali Shabbir, the spruce winger operating from the deep, stood out for sheer resourcefulness. Relentless as ever, he outmanoeuvred his taller and stronger opponents with nimble footwork and positional play and did the spadework for both the chances. Bangladesh started the match in 4-5-1 formation keeping only Aslam upfront to deliver the goods. Their opponents touted as the runners-up team of the Polish national league were not very aggressive either in their game plan, playing a bridging two-man-attack and the defence quartet with four medics. While the Bangladeshifield hardly won any balls the Polish midfield marshalled by skipper Dariusz Dzbizgala held the whiphand.

A couple of minutes later Shabbir laid a perfect through on the path of a galloping Aslam who ran the last guard with some effort and pushed the ball feebly towards a seemingly open goal but just when he was about to raise his hands in elation zoomed in Arkadiusz Gamur from no where and cleared the ball much to the chagrin of the supporters. There was no change in the pattern of the match in the second half although Marhwsz replaced Pawal Dzielciol and in Satyajit Das Rupu who came in for Jewel Rana Bangladesh had theoretically an aggressive midfielder. Up went a roar of expectation in the eighteenth minute when Shabbir, nibbling

Krazeminski stabbed the ball down on the ground to make things difficult for Mohsin; the slippery ball slipped out of Mohsin's grip and in a panic moment Munna tried to clear, only succeeding in hitting Jan Karas who ensured a fatal confinement of the ball into the net (1-0).

### TEAMS

**POLONIA WARSZAWA:** Wieslaw Rutkowski, Pawel Krazeminski, Jacek Perzyk, Zbigniew Tietz, Arkadiusz Gamur, Jan Karas, Richard Stromecki, Piotr Robiecki, Dariusz Dzbizgala, Bogodan Teredzezyński and Pawel Dzielciol (Mariusz Sawa).

**BANGLADESH REDS:** Mohsin, Pijush Nandy, Kaiser Hamid, Jewel Rana (Satyajit Das Rupu), Masud Rana, Monem Munna, Saiful Bari Titu, Zakir Hossain, Gulam Gaus, Shabbir and Aslam (Rumi Rizvi Karim).  
Referee—Jameel Zakaria (Malaysia)  
Linesmen—Bezubyak Taras (Russia) and Nazir Hussain (Bangladesh)  
**TODAY'S MATCH**  
Krylia Sovetov (Russia) vs Olympic team (Malaysia) 5.30 (Dhaka Stadium)

### Hockey transfers

Siam-e-Noor of Wanderers Club signed for Abahani KC while Kamrul Ahsan Ejaz of Wari joined Mohammedan SC yesterday in the inter-club player transfers for the forthcoming Metropolitan First Division hockey league, reports UNB. Others who changed their clubs on the second day yesterday are Mohammed Sharafat of Usha KC for Ajax SC, Zahidul Islam Belal of Victoria SC for the Sonali Bank and Obaid Hussain of Bangladesh Sporting Club for Sadharan Bima.

### Schools badminton results

**Sports Reporter**  
Zia of Chittagong moved into the semifinals of the boys' singles of the Mohammedan-peoples insurance schools badminton championships at the wooden-floor gymnasium yesterday. He beat Roqibul of Willes Little Flower School 15-2, 15-3, in the quarter-finals. Earlier the Chittagong shuttler beat Mahfuz of Udayan School 15-2, 15-3. Jahan of City College School won against Mitul of Bidya Niketan Pre-Cadet 15-6, 15-1. Shahid and Payel of Islami School beat Roqibul and Mesbah of Willes Little Flower School 15-3, 15-6. Rajan and Mokhles of Motijheel Model School beat Mitul and Suma of Bidya Niketan 15-7, 15-10 and 15-11. Morshed and Zia of Char Chugtal School beat Apple and Jahan of City College School 15-2, 15-1. Mahfuz and Monirul of Udayan school beat Hemayet and Zahid of AK School 15-7, 15-4. Shahid and Payel of Islami School beat Shifmul and Tanver of St Patrick's School's 18-16, 15-8, in the boys' doubles event to advance to the semifinals. In the girls' doubles, Momo and Cynthia of Ananda Vidyalay beat Farzana and Cynthia Ahmed of Holy Cross School 15-1, 15-2.

### Juvenile soccer

**Sports Reporter**  
Two second-half goals from Sajju gave Bangabir Sangsad a 2-1 edge over Padmanidhi Samaj Kalyan Sangha while Mansur SC beat Khwaja Dewan Manab Kalyan Samity by a solitary goal in the two Group A matches of the Jadukar Samad juvenile soccer tournament at the Outer Stadium yesterday. In the first match of the day the Bangabir youngsters trailed the first half but Sajju netted twice in the space of seven minutes to give his side the win. In the other match, Monir converted a spot-kick to give Mansur SC the winning edge.

### Retton sues her accountant

NEW YORK, Jan 6: Mary Lou Retton, the 1984 US Olympic gymnastic champion, filed a 2.8 million dollar suit on Tuesday in Manhattan Federal Court against her former accountant, reports Reuter. Retton, 24, accused Gerge Teichner, an accountant, with fraud and malpractice and said he had persuaded her to invest 1.4 million dollar in what was described as "a financial disaster." Retton was 16 when she captured the world's attention by winning five medals in women's gymnastics during the Summer Olympics in Los Angeles. She hired Teichner as an accountant and as an investment and tax adviser in 1985, according to court papers.

### DU athletes top

Dhaka University clinched the championship of the inter-universities athletics meet at the end of the two-day annual meet at the BUET ground yesterday by securing 12 gold, six silver and six bronze medals, reports UNB. Rajshahi was a close second with 10 golds, 12 silvers and six bronzes while Chittagong University placed third with a 4 gold, 7 silver and 5 bronze medals. Twelve events were decided on the concluding day Wednesday. Md Shahjalal of Dhaka University became the fastest man of the meet clinching the men's 100 metres gold clocking 10.75 seconds. Mehdi Hasan of Rajshahi University won the gold medal in the men's 400 metres while Feroza Khatun of Dhaka University bagged the gold in the women's 400 metres. Ajmal Hossain of Rajshahi University clinched the golds in both the 1500 and 5000 metres races. Md Shahanuuddin of Chittagong University won the

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men's long jump while Feroza Khatun of Dhaka University won the women's long jump. Abdur Rakib of Rajshahi University became champion in the pole vault while the women's discus gold went to Jyotsna Afroza of Chittagong University. In the men's javelin, Montajuddin Khan of Dhaka University took the title while the other two golds of—the men's 4x100 and 4x400m relays went to the Dhaka University and Rajshahi University teams respectively. BUET Vice Chancellor Md Shahjahan was present at the closing ceremony as chief guest and distributed the prizes among the winners.

### MEDAL TABLE

	G	S	B
Dhaka University	12	6	6
Rajshahi University	10	12	6
Chittagong University	4	7	5
Jahangir Nagar	0	0	7
BUET	0	0	2

Among the seven participants the Bangladesh Agricultural University and the Shahjalal University failed to earn any medal.



State Minister for Youth and Sports Sadeq Hossain, chief guest at yesterday's 7th President Cup football tournament opening ceremony, being introduced to players of the Polonia Warszawa team. On his right is Bangladesh Football Federation chief Siddiqur Rahman. —Star photo

# BOA fetes Ambia for golden double

The Bangladesh Olympic Association (BOA) yesterday accorded a reception to ace-sprinter Golam Ambia for winning two gold medals in the recently concluded Pakistan Games in Lahore, reports BSS. State Minister for Youth and Sports Sadeq Hossain attended the reception as chief guest. President of the Olympic Association Gias Kamal Chowdhury, president of the Bangladesh Amateur Athletic Federation M Enamul Huq and other officials were also present. Ambia earned a gold in the 100m sprint with a record timing of 10.34 secs and another in the 200m sprint by clocking 21.00 seconds. Another Bangladeshi participant Montimul Huq got the bronze medal in the hammer throw. A three-member Bangladesh team took part in the Pakistan Games. Participants from Kazakhstan and Turkey also took part.

# Div II handball

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Avijatrik Club registered a hard-fought 18-15 victory over Badda Samaj Kalyan Sangsad in one of the four matches of the Sunball Second Division league at the Outer Stadium handball court yesterday. The winners led the first half 8-7. Farashganj SC fought neck-and-neck in the first half against Old Ideals but gave in too easily in the second half to concede a 13-24 defeat. The first half was deadlocked at 8-8. Kurmitola Apollo Club had their opponents cornered in their 30 goals to five over Sachetan. The first half score read 16-5. In the last match of the day Progoti Boys dumped Purbachal Parishad 26-11 after leading 12-3 in the first half.

# Heart manager's heart broken

LONDON, Jan 6: Joe Jordan may resign as manager of Scottish Premier League side Heart of Midlothian at the end of the season because of the Edinburgh club's financial problems, reports AFP. The former Scotland striker, whose three-year contract ends this summer, is refusing to sign a new deal until he receives assurances from chairman Wallace Mercer that money will be available to sign new players. The 41-year-old, currently earning 100,000 pounds a year, admitted the terms of the contract were "acceptable", but added: "The issue here is the future of Hearts. In my discussions with the chairman he did not want me to have any illusions about the club's position." "My response to that was to ask him to provide me with a guideline of the direction in which he thinks Hearts are going." "I'm still waiting for that and it's important that I know. When I came to the club, a major factor in my decision was the ambition of the club appeared to have. That's why I took the challenge." Last season Hearts finished runners-up to Rangers in the Premier Division, but this season the Edinburgh side are already out of the title race with only half the campaign gone. Portsmouth striker Guy Whittingham, English football's leading scorer, is also delaying signing a new contract. Watched by Premier League Nottingham Forest, Blackburn, Sheffield United and Chelsea, the 28-year-old, whose present agreement with First Division Pompey ends in the summer, is keeping his options open. "I'm thinking it over," said the 29-goal forward. "At the moment there's no rush," he said. "I would love to get to the Premier League with Pompey, but I'm prepared to wait to see what happens between now and the end of the season." Former Wales skipper Kevin Ratcliffe has joined Third Division Cardiff on a game-to-game contract following the expiry of his weekly agreement with Everton, where he spent 14 seasons.

# South Africans win series

CAPE TOWN, Jan 6: South Africa's cricketers clinched their first Test series victory since the dismantling of apartheid when the fourth and final Test against India ended in a draw today, reports Reuter. Kepler Wessels' team took the rubber 1-0 by virtue of their nine-wicket win in the third Test in Port Elizabeth. Sachin Tendulkar made 73 for India, his first score in double figures in four Test innings following his century in Johannesburg. Javagal Srinath sparked Indian hopes of a shock turn around in the Test with two quick wickets as South Africa batted again. But they wasted the breakthrough when the key wicket of Kepler Wessels slipped through the fingers of wicket-keeper Kiran More when Wessels edged Kapil Dev. With a draw sufficient to secure the series, Wessels is extremely unlikely to set India any mind of attainable target. India had begun the day on 161 for five after losing four wickets in swift succession on Monday night. Tendulkar, with determined support from Venkat Raju, the nightwatchman, took the score to 200 before Raju, after dealing well with South Africa's three-pronged pace attack was brilliantly caught by Darryl Cullinan at third slip. It was slow going, with 54 runs in the first session, but Tendulkar was then joined by Kapil and the pair managed to add 33 runs in the hour after lunch—the fastest scoring in India's 10-hour-plus innings. Henry, who bowled poorly in a difficult crosswind, was hit for six by both batsmen. The spinner, 41 this month, is probably playing his last Test after a return of there for 189 this series. Having put on 75, the partnership between elder statesman Kapil and young prodigy Tendulkar was broken by Hansie Cronje who precipitated India's collapse by having Kapil caught at mid-wicket for 34. Craig Matthews, who took three for 32 in 28 overs, dismissed More and Anil Kumble inside five balls for ducks and Tendulkar followed slugging at Cronje as his partners disappeared. Hudson took the swirling catch to finish with four catches in the innings. South Africa, just having to bat out to claim the series, lost two early wickets as the heat went out of the day and into the game. Both Hudson and Cronje gave edges as Srinath again troubled South Africa's batsmen. But India squandered the opportunity. More dropped Wessels on 22 at 40 for two, diving to his left. The South African captain had no further alarm and he was 29 not out in 139 minutes at the close, with Peter Kirsten seven not out. South Africa, isolated for two decades, played a single Test in West Indies last year but the Indian Tests marked their first full series since returning to the world arena. Earlier a Reuter report said: South Africa are on the brink of clinching victory in their first series back in Test cricket after another inconclusive day's play at Newlands on Tuesday. With just one day remaining in the fourth and final Test South Africa, one-cup in the series, are 48 for two in their second innings, 132 ahead. They bowled out India for 276 by tea, taking the last four wickets for one run in four overs, to gain a first innings

# Big win for Amarjyoti

A magnificent all-round performance from Sumi engineered a big 71-run Amarjyoti victory over Nabin Sangha at the Dhanmondi Club ground in one of the two Second Division league matches yesterday. Sumit hit a breezy 54 in his side's 199 for eight in 35 overs and then claimed five Nabin Sangha scalps for 26 runs to restrict them to 128 in 29.2 overs. Sent in to bat, Amarjyoti lost their first wicket very cheaply for four but Sumi joined forces with Cezanne to race to 87 in 19.4 overs before the later was run out for 26. Then Amarjyoti lost four quick wickets to be one an uncomfortable 111 for six in 24.5 overs. Moni and Nipu then shared a 75-run seventh wicket in just 55 overs to initiate a late charge. Moni dominated the stand cracking four fours and two sixes for his 41 off 28 balls before being caught by Masum off Milon on 186 while Nipu stayed at the crease for 40 balls for his 30 before he was run out in the last ball of the innings. Anis and Adil took two wickets apiece. Nabin Sangha started the chase fairly well. Although they lost one of their openers on 25 Jalal, the other opening bat, and Lipu stepped up the pace and they seemed to be cruising at 88 in 18.4 overs when Sumi struck. First Sumi sent Jalal back with a caught and bowled ef-

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J Rhodes c Srinath b Kumble 16  
B McMillan not out 11  
D Richardson not out 10  
Extras (lb-4; nb-3) 7  
Total (six wickets declared) 130  
Fall of wickets: 1-20; 2-28; 3-61; 4-61; 5-95; 6-107  
Bowling: O M R W  
Kapil Dev 17 4 29 1  
Prabhakar 10 4 19 0  
Srinath 27 10 33 4  
Kumble 23 11 20 1  
Raju 20 8 25 0  
INDIA: Second innings



J SRINATH man-of-match

A Jadede not out 20  
M Prabhakar c Richardson b Matthews 7  
S Manjrekar not out 2  
Extras 0  
Total (for one wicket) 29  
Fall of wicket: 1-21  
Bowling: O M R W  
Donald 4 0 7 0  
Matthews 6 1 17 1  
Cronje 3 3 0 0  
Rhodes 1 0 5 0  
Result: Match draw  
First Test (in Durban): Match drawn  
Second Test (Johannesburg): Match drawn  
Third Test (Port Elizabeth): South Africa by nine wickets.  
South Africa won series 1-0.

# Fine gesture!

CAPE TOWN, South Africa, Jan 6: A South African cricket fan angered at the fine imposed on Indian allrounder Manoj Prabhakar during the third Test in Port Elizabeth last week sent a compensatory cheque to the player, reports AFP. Tour manager Amrit Mathur said on Tuesday Prabhakar received a cheque for 100 rands (35 dollars) — the fine imposed from N.W Green of Johannesburg by post. "It was a very appreciative gesture but we can't accept the money," Mathur said. "Since there was no address on the letter, we are returning the cheque to the bank concerned." Prabhakar was fined 100 rands by match referee Mike Smith for showing dissent. Umpire Wilf Driedericks ruled him caught behind in the second innings of the Port Elizabeth Test. Television replays appeared to favour the batsman. India lost the match by nine wickets to go down 0-1 in the four-Test series.

# SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard on the fifth and final day of the fourth and final cricket Test between South Africa and India on Wednesday.  
**SOUTH AFRICA:** First innings 360 for nine declared (J Rhodes 86, B McMillan 52, D Cullinan 46).  
**INDIA:** First innings 276 (S Tendulkar 73, M Prabhakar 62).  
**SOUTH AFRICA:** Second innings (overnight 48 for two) A Hudson c More b Srinath 34 A Hudson c More b Srinath 10 H Cronje c More b Srinath 0 P Kirsten c Manjrekar b Kapil Dev 13 D Cullinan c More b Srinath 28

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fort for 31 and then took three wickets and in no time the scenario changed. When Lipu went back to be the sixth man out for 42 on 96 after being run out the matter was settled. The Nabin Sangha innings eventually ended on 128. **BOWLERS DOMINATE** Bowlers reigned supreme in the other match of the day with four bowlers from each side claiming three wickets apiece. On the western portion of the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium the day started well for the Rayer Bazar boys when their skipper won the toss and invited the Western CC batsmen to use the wicket first. And it got even better when Zia, the new ball bowler, struck with the fifth delivery of his first over trapping Berek, the Western opener, leg before wicket for nought with the score reading eight. The one-down batsman Rubel came and went to Zia's next ball to leave the bowler on a hatrick. Torey, the other opener, and Rabbu, however, denied him for the next 12 runs before Torey was sent back lbw for eight. Mubarak then walked in and snapped two wickets in the same over to send the Western cricketers reeling at 27 for five. At this stage, the innings seemed set for somewhere nearer 50 but Rabbu had other things on his mind. He stayed at the crease for 114 minutes, played 80 deliveries for his 42 and made sure that his side reached the 100-run mark. But when he went back on 91, the eighth wicket to fall, Russell took two quick wickets in the space of seven runs to put an end to the innings on 98. Zia sent 17 runs for his three wickets while Mubarak conceded 26 runs for his three scalps and Russel got two for 11 runs. Tasfeen and Bablu, the two Western new ball operators, made the Rayer Bazar batsmen sweat in their chase for what seemed to be very easy target to get. At one stage, the Rayer Bazar boys found themselves staggering at 64 for seven wickets and they must have been contemplating defeat until Mesbah with his 48-ball 34 came in to drag them out of the ditch without losing any more wickets in 19.5 overs. Tasfeen and Bablu shared six wickets for 33 and 40 runs respectively. **TODAY'S MATCHES** Three Star vs Spread Eagles (DCS) Azad Boys vs DOHS (DCG)

# East Bengal in DCM soccer final

NEW DELHI, Jan 6: East Bengal beat Mohammedan Sporting 2-0 to enter the final of the 48th DCM football tournament here today, reports PTI. The teams were locked goalless at the breather. The goals came in the 34th and 38th minutes from Chibuzor and Kuljit Singh respectively. East Bengal will play incheon University of South Korea in the final on Friday.