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# N'ganj High retain Nirman title

Sports Reporter

Narayanganj High School retained their reputation as the best school cricket team for the second successive year when they beat Mymensingh Zilla School by five wickets in the final of the 12th Nirman schools cricket

eventual winners, were never stretched despite suffering an early setback.

Opener Tapu was run out for one with the total on ten as the reigning champions went out in quest of 153 runs to defend their title.

But man-of-the-match Munna batted sensibly for 46,



Players of the victorious Narayanganj High School, who beat Mymensingh Zilla School by five wickets in the final at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday to retain their title of the Nirman schools cricket

championship at the Dhaka Stadium.

Mridul lofted man-of-the-tournament Afroze of Mymensingh over midwicket for a four as Narayanganj posted 154 for five in 37.5 overs to career to a comfy win.

On the maddening, oppressively hot last day of the Bengali year, Narayanganj, the

topscore of the match and with opener Pappu, who made 32, bearing him an able hand the outcome was never in doubt.

Sajal on an unbeaten 24 and Mridul on 14 not out performed the last rites for the victors.

Mymensingh skipper Shahzada captured two late

wickets to emerge as the most successful bowler for his team with a final analysis of two for 23.

There was one wicket apiece for Shobu and Afroze.

Earlier, sent in to bat, Mymensingh were all out for 152 in 39.3 overs.

Here also disaster befell the

Afroze, who made 26, but Mymensingh innings lost way after that.

Only a wee bit of tail-wagging with Hassan making 16 saw Mymensingh reach 152 for all ten wickets with three balls of the 40th over remaining unutilised.

State Minister for Youth and Sports Sadeque Hossain gave away the prizes.

K Z Islam, former BCCB president and proprietor of the sponsors Nirman International, was there quite befittingly to mark the conclusion of a meet contemplated and implemented by him.

## BRIEF SCORE

MYMENSINGH ZILA SCHOOL: 152 in 39.3 overs (Shobu 43, Afroze 26, Shahzada 23, Hasan 16 not out; Mridul 3-20, Mona 3-34).

NARAYANGANJ GOVT HIGH SCHOOL: 154 for five in 37.5 overs (Munna 46, Pappu 32, Sajal 24, Mridul 14, not out; Shahzada 23, Sajal 1-27 and Afroze 1-31).

Result: Narayanganj Govt High School won by five wickets.

Man-of-the-match: Munna of Narayanganj Govt High School.

## ROLL OF HONOUR

1982-83	Residential Model School
1983-84	Wills Little Flower School
1984-85	West End High School
1985-86	Narayanganj High School
1986-87	Mukul Niketon
1987-88	not held
1988-89	not held
1989-90	not held
1990-91	not held
1991-92	Comilla Zila School
1992-93	Narayanganj Govt High School
1993-94	Narayanganj Govt High School

## Junior booters lose opener

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Bangladesh will play their second round robin league match against Kuwait in the sixth Asian under 16 football championship in the Saudi city of Dahrani today.

Earlier on Tuesday, Bangladesh lost 0-3 to hosts Saudi Arabia in their opening match.

They will meet Malaysia in their last league match on April 16.

## Hafiz on WC disciplinary committee

The International Football Federation (FIFA) has selected Major (Retd) Hafizuddin Ahmed, MP of Bangladesh as a member of the disciplinary committee in the World Cup football to be held in the United States in June and July this year, according to a message from FIFA received in Dhaka yesterday, reports BSS.

The officials of the seven-member committee are: chairman — Pablo Porta (Spain); members: Hafizuddin Ahmed (Bangladesh), Marcel Mather (Switzerland), Rafael Esquivel (Venezuela), Alan Evans (Wales), Mahmud Ahmed (Egypt), and Rafael Salguero (Guatemala).

Of the 72 officials, six are from Asia including Hafizuddin Ahmed, who is also vice president of the Asian Football Confederation (AFC). They are — Peter Velaphan (Malaysia), Paul Moni (Malaysia), Faruq Bouzu (Syria), Dr Nigarana (Indonesia) and Tadeo Murata (Japan).

We were outplayed in the first three Tests and we knew when we came out here that we would have to play to our full potential to match West Indies. We've done that so far in this game and now we're in a good position.

The only disappointment for England on by far their best day of the tour was a missed stumping chance by Russell off Tufnell.

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