

Abahani take solo lead

A brilliant all-round show by seamer Saiful Islam enabled joint-keepers Abahani Krira Chakra to record a convincing 21-run win over Victoria Sporting Club and take a solo lead in the Navana Premier Division cricket league at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

Saiful shared 52 runs for the eighth wicket with Naimur Rahman Durjoy and plundered another undefeated 21 runs for the ninth-wicket along with Khaled Masud Pilot as Abahani, sent in to bat, reached 202 in their 45 overs.

The right-arm new-ball bowler then dismissed four Victoria batsmen restricting them to 181 for eight when the overs ran out.

Earlier, in the morning, Abahani made a disastrous start, losing their first seven wickets for only 127 runs in 35.3 overs.

Skipper Gazi Ashraf Hossain Lipu shuffled the batting order and included Navedun Anjum for leggie Iqbal Sikander in the team. However, the play didn't work.

Only Wasim Akram, who came in at number three, scored a responsible 23 off 27 balls while Minhazul Abedin Nannu chipped in with a sedate 48-ball 28.

Then came the vital partnership between Durjoy and Saiful Islam with the former hitting a rapid-fire 41 off 37 balls inclusive of two fours and a huge six.

After the departure of Durjoy, caught at long-on off spinner Biplob Sarker Billu, Abahani's wicketkeeper Khaled Masud Pilot joined forces with Saiful, scoring 21 runs off only 12 deliveries that ensured that the Dhanmondi outfit crossed the 200-mark.

Saiful remained unbeaten on an almost run-a-ball 24 while Pilot, who fittingly finished the Abahani innings with a massive six off Billu, scored 13 runs off only five balls.

Indian Test discard Chetan Sharma, his compatriot Rajinder Singh, and Billu, the costliest among the Victoria bowlers conceding 58 runs in his nine overs, evenly shared six wickets between them.

In reply, Victoria never appeared to pose any threat in their chase with wickets falling with successive deliveries in the 24th over. The world's most deceptive fast bowler first removed Rajinder Singh, when the Indian snared a rising ball behind the wicket.

Akram then clean bowled Hasanuzzaman Rinku with an inswinging yorker.

Saiful then took charge, claiming the wickets of Chetan Sharma (17), Iqbal Hossain (11), Billu (3), and the prized scalp of skipper Azhar Hossain Shantoo to finish with four for 30 in his quota of nine overs.

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SAARC Gold Cup Booters leave for Colombo today

A 22-member Bangladesh national football team leaves Dhaka today to take part in Bristol SAARC Gold Cup football tournament, scheduled to begin in the Sri Lankan capital Colombo from March 25.

Apartment from Bangladesh, five other SAARC member countries — India, Pakistan, Nepal, Maldives and hosts Sri Lanka will participate in the nine-day meet which is expected to be covered live by the Star TV network.

Bangladesh, who have been placed in one group along with Pakistan and the sixth SAF Games champions Nepal, will take on Pakistan in one of the two matches billed for the inaugural day.

The members of the Bangladesh team are — Nazrul Islam (manager), Mann Young Kang (coach), Abu Noman Nannu (asst. coach), Abul Azad Mansur (referee).

Goalkeepers: Ponir and Ibrahim Miah Panu.

Defenders: Alamgir Hassan, Barun Bikash Dewan, Masud Rana, Monem Munna, Arif Hossain Moon, Sohel Reza and Jewel Rana.

Midfielders: Sattyajit Das Rupu (captain), Nurul Huq Manik, Shahid Hossain Swapan, Rakib Hossain, Afzal Ahmed Alif, Mamun Hossain Joarder and Shahidul Ahmed Ranjan.

Strikers: Imtiaz Ahmed and Mizanur Rahman.

Akram returns, satisfied

Wasim Akram is scheduled to leave for Pakistan today after a four-match stint with Abahani Krira Chakra in the Navana Premier Division cricket league.

The world's most fearsome left-arm quickie, who took seven wickets and scored 63 runs for Abahani, blamed the wickets here at the Dhaka Stadium as the slowest he had ever played on.

BCCCP lifts ban on Malik

ISLAMABAD, Mar 20: Pakistan cricket chiefs want Australia's two Test players who accused Salim Malik of trying to bribe them to be cross-examined during their probe into the charges, reports Reuter.

An ad-hoc committee running the Board of Control for Cricket in Pakistan (BCCP) also said on Monday it had removed the ban imposed on Malik during their investigation, leaving the sacked captain free to play again.

Malik had denied allegations he offered 50,000 dollars each to Australian leg-spinner Shane Warne and off-spinner Tim May to lose their first Test in Karachi last September.

The three-man ad-hoc committee said in a statement it had discussed its legal adviser's report on the issue and found that the seriousness of the allegations made by certain Australian cricketers against Salim Malik warranted full opportunity to him to defend himself.

"The committee has, therefore, acceded to his request that he will be allowed to confront his accusers and cross-examine them.

"The chief executive of the BCCP said today, reports Reuter.

Tendulkar toys with India B

CALCUTTA, Mar 20: A swashbuckling knock of 68 in Saturday's match, was a bit slow to pick yesterday and in the first six overs he was batting in a controlled manner unlike the day before when he had started hammering right from the word go.

He also had a lucky escape when Salil Ankola in his second over bowled Tendulkar, but unfortunately for Ankola that delivery was declared no ball by the umpire. At that time Tendulkar was on eight.

In the seventh over, Tendulkar suddenly sprang to life and took 13 runs off Atul Wassan and after that there was no stopping him as he went about smashing everything that was hurled at him.

Though both Ankola and Wassan were batting with very good line and length Tendulkar showed little respect for them and hammered Ankola for four boundaries and took three fours off Wassan.

He later hit two sixes, one each of Krishna Kumar and N Kulkarni but in Kulkarni's same over while trying to clear the mid-on fielder he fell 16 runs short of his century.

Prabhakar, who could not shine with the ball today proved his worth with the bat and struck seven fours and one six in his unbeaten 66. Prabhakar hammered Kulkarni for 17 runs in the 38th over to take his team on the brink of victory.

Bids for '97 world event open till Apr

MONTE CARLO, Mar 20: Contenders to host the 1997 World Championships have until April 10 to make their bid, the International Amateur Athletic Federation said Monday, reports AFP.

IAAF spokesman Christopher Winner pointed out that bids had to come from national federations and not individual cities.

The IAAF have invited the 205 member federations, less Mexico, to make applications.

Mexico withdrew as hosts for the championships last week because of the country's economic situation.

Germany, which hosted the 1993 championships in Stuttgart, Spain, with 1992 Olympic hosts Barcelona and 1999 bidders Seville, and the United States, with 1996 Olympic hosts Atlanta, were believed to be interested in staging the championships.

Lillee's advice

MADRAS, Mar 20: India must change their wickets to pacy and bouncy ones in order to compete with other cricketing nations like the West Indies and Australia, says Dennis Lillee, former Australian speedster, reports PTL.

Lillee, who is here along with 'Big Bird' Joel Garner of the West Indies to coach the boys of the MRF Pace Foundation, told a press conference here that Indian batsmen struggled on pacy and bouncer wickets abroad. If India changed over from their slower and placid pitches, the batsmen would make the maximum improvement along with the bowlers, who could get used to the faster tracks.

Lillee cited the performance of the West Indies bowlers against India in the Chandigarh Test match where the visitors made good use of the dead wicket and India were at one stage pushed to the wall.

Endorsing Lillee's views, Garner said, "Indian cricket administrators must take some large measures to standardise the wickets in their country."

Lillee said the MRF Pace Foundation and three different pitches — fast, slow and another in between the two. He said he was happy that the boys in the foundation had shown good improvement. "It is rather difficult to pick the best or drop the worst as their performance has shown a steady uptrend," Lillee said.

B B Mama no more

NEW DELHI, Mar 20: Leading Indian cricket statistician Baboo Mama died in Bombay at the weekend, a spokesman of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) said today, reports Reuter.

Mama, 71, was suffering from a terminal intestine ailment and died on Saturday, he said.

Mama was respected and sought after for his voluminous records of cricket statistics that he began compiling five decades ago, and rated among the best in the world.

He lived in the western Indian hill station of Panchagani and was a regular contributor to leading cricket journals and reference publications.

Vaas torments Kiwis again

DUNEDIN, New Zealand, Mar 20: Sri Lankan left-arm seamer Chaminda Vaas continued an impressive four-fer of New Zealand with his third five-wicket haul in an innings in the second Test at Carisbrook on Monday, reports Reuter.

Vaas took six for 87 as New Zealand replied to the Sri Lankan first innings total of 233 with 307 for nine declared on the third day.

Playing only his sixth Test the 21-year-old fast bowler achieved a career-best of ten for 90 in the first Test against New Zealand in Napier last week.

He would have to be right among the top five or six all-rounders in the world already after scoring his maiden Test fifty yesterday.

New Zealand's Dipak Patel, who made 52, said on Monday.

"He is impressive because he can move the ball both ways, gives very little width to the batsmen and he bowls for long periods."

While Vaas took the individual honours New Zealand had one of their best days in a Test this summer.

Resuming their innings on Monday morning at 95 for two, Bryan Young and Stephen Fleming put on 114 for the third wicket before Fleming was run out on a careless decision to go for a third run. Fleming made 66.

With captain Ken Rutherford unable to bat because of his injured left hand, Young remained to guide New Zealand out of the woods.

At lunch the Kiwis were 173 for three and by tea had established a small lead of seven runs to reach 240 for five.

New Zealand suffered a blow at 196 when Adam Parore departed for 19. One run later Vaas had his fourth wicket when Young was caught at slip

by Asanka Gurusinha for 84.

The New Zealand tail wagged in the final session to put on 67, and Sri Lanka, who faced two overs to stumps, were nought without loss when stumps were drawn.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at stumps on the third day of the second Test New Zealand v Sri Lanka at Carisbrook today:

SRI LANKA: First Innings		
233 (C Vaas 51; Pringle 3 for 51)		
NEW ZEALAND: First Innings		
B Young c Gurusinha b Vaas 84	Murray c Domusinghe b Vaas 0	
M Greatbatch lbw b Vaas 5	S Fleming run out 66	
A Parore c De Silva b Vaas 19	D Patel b Muralidharan 52	
G Larsen c Gurusinha b Muralidharan 16	M Su'a not out 20	
C Pringle c S Ranatunga		

Bowling				
	O	M	R	W
Wickremasinghe	26	6	49	0
Vaas	40	9	87	6
Muralidharan	50	20	77	2
Pushpakumara	16	3	42	0
De Silva	1	0	11	0
Gurusinha	6	2	10	0

EXTRAS

Total: 0

To bat: S Ranatunga, A Ranatunga, A de Silva, H Tilakaratne, C Domusinghe, C Vaas, P Wickremasinghe, M Muralidharan, R Pushpakumara.

Bowling				
	O	M	R	W
Wainmsly	1	1	0	0
Patel	1	1	0	0

Talking to pressmen after yesterday's match against Victoria Sporting Club at the Abahani dressing room, the former Pakistan skipper said "I had a fantastic time and I really enjoyed my cricket here. The crowds were enormous."

"You know it's cricket, not a war; there is always a winner and a loser," added Akram philosophically, expressing his views regarding the prestigious Abahani-Mohammedan derby that Abahani lost earlier this month.

English county cricketers get pay rise

LONDON, Mar 20: England's county cricketers are to get a pay rise next year after threatening disruptive action earlier this month, reports Reuter.

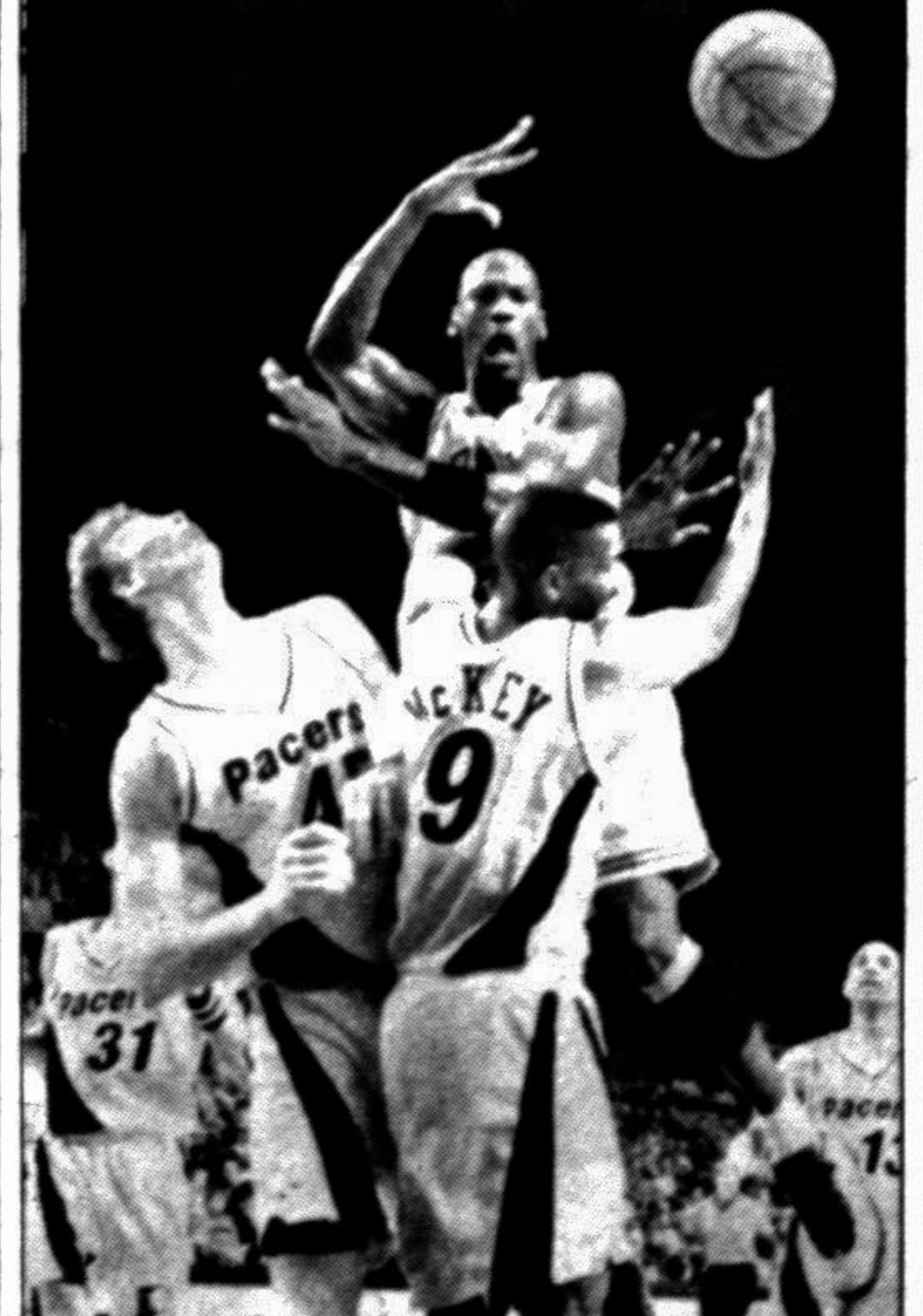
The players were angry about the failure of officials to improve their rewards following a television deal worth 60 million pounds sterling (95 million dollars) to the English game over four years.

FIFA agrees to let Qatar host World youth soccer

ZURICH, Mar 20: The International Football Federation (FIFA) announced Monday that Qatar would host the World youth championships in place of Nigeria, reports AFP.

The original 16 entries for the tournament will be unchanged because Qatar, whose side failed to qualify for the event, will not be entering a team, although as hosts they would normally be allowed to do so.

A FIFA technical delegation went to Qatar last week to inspect facilities for the tournament.



Chicago Bulls star Michael Jordan makes one of his no-look passes as Indianapolis Pacers centre Rick Smits (41) and forward Derrick McKey (9) apply double coverage during their NBA game at the Market Place Arena, Indiana on Mar 19. The Bulls lost to the Pacers 103-96. — AP/UNB photo

গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার

নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলীর কার্যালয়
স্থানীয় সরকার প্রকৌশল অধিদপ্তর
কক্সবাজার

এলজিইডি দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি নং ২৭/৯৪-৯৫

স্থানীয় সরকার প্রকৌশল অধিদপ্তর জাপানী অনুদানে সংগৃহীত বা পেটেলবল স্ট্রল সেভু স্থাপনের নিমিত্তে সাব ষ্ট্রাকচার নির্মাণের জন্য নির্মাণ প্রকল্প বাস্তবায়নের জন্য বাংলাদেশ ফরম নং-২৯১১ এর মাধ্যমে হালনাগাদ নবায়নকৃত (১) এলজিইডি'র তালিকাভুক্ত প্রকল্পের ক্ষমতা অনুযায়ী ষ্ট্রাকচার এবং (২) এলজিইডি'র সকল প্রকল্পের পূর্বযোগ্যতা সম্পন্ন ষ্ট্রাকচার/টিকাদারী প্রতিষ্ঠান হতে সীলমোহরকৃত নামে দরপত্র আহ্বান করা যাবে।

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১	নাইকাংহুড়ি গর্ভনিনা রাস্তায় ৬২ মিটার চেইনেজে ১১৫ মিটার স্কেল পেটেলবল স্ট্রল সেভু স্থাপনের নিমিত্তে সাব ষ্ট্রাকচার নির্মাণ প্রকল্প।	১,০০০/০০	৬ (ছয়) মাস
২	১) সকল দপ্তরে নগদ মূল্যে (১) তত্ত্বাবধায়ক প্রকৌশলী (রক্ষণাবেক্ষণ), স্থানীয় সরকার প্রকৌশল অধিদপ্তর, সদর দপ্তর, ঢাকা। (২) নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী, স্থানীয় সরকার প্রকৌশল অধিদপ্তর, চট্টগ্রাম। (৩) নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী, স্থানীয় সরকার প্রকৌশল অধিদপ্তর, কক্সবাজার। (৪) থানা প্রকৌশলী, স্থানীয় সরকার প্রকৌশল অধিদপ্তর, সদর/মহেশখালী/কুতুবদিয়া/চকরিয়া/রামু/উখিয়া ও টেকনাফ, কক্সবাজার।		
৩	দরপত্র ক্রয়ের শেষ তারিখ ও সময়সীমা		জিসিসি চলাকালীন সময়ে আগামী ২৯/৩/৯৫।
৪	দরপত্র দাখিলের নির্ধারিত তারিখ ও সময়		আগামী ৩০/৩/৯৫ইং তারিখ বিকাল ১২.৩০ ঘটিকা।
৫	দরপত্র খোলার নির্ধারিত তারিখ ও সময়		আগামী ৩০/৩/৯৫ইং তারিখ বিকাল ১-০০ ঘটিকার সময় ষ্ট্রাকচারপ্রাপ্তের সম্মুখে যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন। দরপত্র খোলা হবে।
৬	দরপত্রের সাথে বায়নার টাকা জমা প্রদান পদ্ধতি		নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী, স্থানীয় সরকার প্রকৌশল অধিদপ্তর, কক্সবাজার এর অনুকূলে দরপত্রের উদ্ধৃত দরের শতকরা ২.৫০% হারে বায়নার টাকা যে কোন সিডিউল ব্যাংক হতে ব্যাংক ডাফট/পে-অর্ডার আকারে দরপত্রের সাথে দাখিল করিতে হবে।
৭	জামানত		বায়নার টাকা বাদে অবশিষ্ট ৭.৫০% হারে জামানতের টাকা প্রতিটি বিলের বিপরীতে কর্তনের মাধ্যমে আদায়যোগ্য হবে।
৮	টিকাদার/টিকাদারী প্রতিষ্ঠানের তালিকা/তারি/তা/তার		(১) তালিকাভুক্তির নবায়ন সময় এবং (২) মূল্য সংযোজন কর নিবন্ধন সময় এর সত্যায়িত অনুলিপি দরপত্রের সাথে দাখিল করতে হবে।
৯	সিডিউলে আইটেম ওয়াই জকে ও কন্সার দর উপস্থিত থাকলে হবে।		
১০	টিকাদারের বিল হতে প্রাপ্ত হারে আয়কর ও ভ্যাট কর্তনযোগ্য হবে।		
১১	তথ্যিক প্রতিটি সাপোর্ট বিলের টাকা পরিশোধযোগ্য হবে।		
১২	কার্য সম্পাদনের প্রতিটি পর্যায়ের সময়সীমা উল্লেখপূর্বক ওয়ার্ক সিডিউল দরপত্রের সাথে দাখিল করতে হবে।		
১৩	জামানতের টাকা প্রকল্প সম্পাদনের (১)কক্স বঙ্গের পূর্ব পর ফেরতযোগ্য হবে।		
১৪	কর্তৃপক্ষ কোন কারণ প্রদর্শন ব্যতিরেকে যে কোন দরপত্র বা সকল দরপত্র গ্রহণ ও বাতিলের ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।		

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