

Pakistan skipper Rameez Raja executing a delicate square drive on his way for a record eighth ton in one-day match, which also helped the world champions to beat West Indies by 15 runs in the Champions' Trophy in Sharjah on Friday. Raja remained unbeaten on 104 as Pakistan raced on to score a comfortable 242 for four. - AFP/ UNB photo

Arambagh in Doll All-India Gov Gold Cup

GANGTOK, Oct 14: Army Eleven ousted Peerless Club of Calcutta from the 17th All-India Governor's Gold Cup by handing them a 1-0 defeat, while hosts. Sikkim Football Association went down 1-2 to Bangladesh's Arambagh Krira Sangha in the first quarterfinal match of the tournament here at the local stadium today, reports PTI.

Army players made repeated forays into the Peerless bastion in the first half and their efforts paid dividends in the 28th minute. Striker Pushkar Bhandari scored the all-important goal. He penetrated the rival defence with a sudden burst of speed and banged home the ball from the top of the box into the far corner of the net.

The Peerless forwards made some determined ef forts for an equaliser, but did not succeed. Striker Dipen Dutta unleashed a powerful banana shot in the second half which curved viciously towards the rival goalpost only to be punched away by the Army custodian.

In the first quarter-final match between Sikkim Football Association and Arambagh Krira Sangha, the hosts were edged out by the foreign team by 2-1.

The visitors forged ahead in the 22nd minute after Babu Das tapped home Biplab's floater from the right

Immediately after the breather, the winners increased their tally to two -captain Roxy dribbled past several rival defenders from the midfield and netted in the ball.

Egged on by cheering home crowd, the Sikkim boys made some speedy counter-attacks in the second half. Bhole Gurung reduced the margin for the hosts minutes before the final whistle, through a penalty. the spot kick was awarded to the hosts as their hard working medio Kamal Bagdas was brought down by a rival defender inside the box.

Ball now in Roy's court

MILAN, Oct 14: Internazionale said on Friday Roy Hodgson would take over

as coach of the Italian Serie A club after Switzerland gave him the goahead, reports Reuter.

"We have offered him a contract, I think that is well known," said a spokeswoman at the club.

"He is very pleased to be coming here.

The Swiss Football Association said earlier that the Englishman could sign for Inter only if he also coaches the Swiss national team until his contract with them ends next June 30, after the European Championship in Eng-

The Swiss FA said in a statement, "Although Roy Hodgson has a contract with the ASF till June 1996, he is authorised to sign a contract as trainer with Internazionale of Milan.

"A particular condition pending Internazionale's agreement is that Roy Hodgson remains trainer of the national team as long as the ASF thinks if necessary up to June 30, 1996."

The Inter spokeswoman noted the last paragraph was carefully warded and did not necessarily mean Hodgson had to stay with Switzerland until June.

We have always had the best relations with Switzerland as a matter of politeness," she said.

"We appreciate they have a problem in replacing Hodgson immediately so they are asking us to do them a

The spokeswoman said Inter did not plan any formal statement on Hodgson's ar-

Hodgson, 48, the most successful national trainer in the history of Swiss soccer, steered Switzerland to the 1994 World Cup after a 28year break.

By beating Hungary 3-0 in their last European Group three qualifier Switzerland virtually ensured a berth for the first time in the Championship finals in England next

Italian media reports have assessed his likely salary as 900,000 dollars a year.

And Inter president Massimo Moratti is said to be agreeable that Hodgson stays on as Swiss national coach till his contract with the Swiss FA ends.

According to Swiss media reports Hodgson earns around 350,000 dollars a year and is also eligible for performance bonuses as are

Wang settles old score NIMES. France. the semifinal and, he admit-



Oct 14: World number one Wang Tao settled a score over south

Kim Korea's Teak-Soo in the men's singles World Cup Table Tennis here on Friday for his "moral" defeat amid glue controversy at this year's World Championships.

reports AFP. Wang won 21-17, 22-20 in this last group match between to players who had already qualified on Thursday, to win Group A and take spot in today's quarterfinal draw.

Wang lost to world number four Kim in the World Championships quarterfinal in Tianjin, China, in May, before one of the most controversial incidents ever in the

Wang, a six times world champion in doubles and team events, was reinstated when the Kofean was disqualified for using glue with high levels of a banned subs-

But Wang went on to lose win in group C.

নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলীর দপ্তর

অঞ্চল-১০ (উত্তরা)

ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশন

দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

নিম্নবর্ণিত কাঞ্চটির জন্য ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের তালিকাভুক্ত সকল শ্রেণীর ঠিকাদারগণের নিকট হইতে বাংলাদেশ

ফরম লং-২৯১১ তে সীলমোহরকৃত খামে দরপত্র আহ্বান করা যাইতেছে। আগামী ০৭-৭-১৪০২ বাং/২২-১০-৯৫ইং

তারিখে বেলা ১২ ঘটিকার সময় বিভাগীয় কমিশনার, ঢাকা, জেলা প্রশাসক, ঢাকা, ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের সকল প্রকৌশল

বিভাগ কর্তৃক দরপত্র গ্রহণ করা হইবে এবং ঐ দিনই সকল বিভাগে প্রাপ্ত দরপত্রসমূহ অঞ্চল-১০এ সংগৃহীত হওয়ার পর

বেলা ২.০০ ঘটিকার সময় উপস্থিত দরদাতা অথবা তাহাদের প্রতিনিধিগণের সমূবে (যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন) খোলা

হইবে। শতকরা হারে সর্বমোট টাকার উপর উর্ধা অথবা নিমহারে দর অংকে ও কথায় উভয়ই লিখিতে হইবে। অন্যথায় দরপত্র

বাতিল বলিয়া গণ্য হইবে। অন্তক এবং কথায় উদ্ধৃত লরে কোন ওভার রাইটিং অথবা কোন রকম কাটাকাটি গ্রহণযোগ্য হইবে

না। ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের মেয়র মহোদয়ের অনুকূলে বাংলাদেশের যে কোন সিডিউল ব্যাংকের ব্যাংক-ভাক্ট/পে-অর্ডার

বায়নার টাকা হিসাবে দরপত্তের সহিত জমা দিতে হইবে। ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের সকল আঞ্চলিক নির্বাহী কর্মকর্তা ও

নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলীর দন্তরে এবং হিসাব বিভাগের পোচ্দারের নিকট ঠিকাদারী প্রভিষ্ঠানের লাইসেন্স নবায়নের সভ্যায়িত কপি

জমা প্রদান করে (প্রতি সেট) নির্ধারিত মৃশ্যের (অক্বেত্যোগ্য) চালানের মাধ্যমে দরপত্রের শর্তাবলী, সিডিউল ইত্যাদি ক্রয়

করা যাইবে। এতদসংক্রান্ত বিস্তারিত বিবরণ দশুর চলাকালীন সময়ে ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের অঞ্চল-১০ এর নির্বাহী

প্রকৌশলীর দপ্তরে জানা যাইবে। যে কোন দরপত্রদাতা প্রাঞ্চলিত মূল্যের শতকরা পাঁচ তাগের অধিক উর্ধ্ব বা নিম্লদর প্রদান

করিলে উক্ত দরের পক্ষে দর বিশ্লেষণ সংযুক্ত করিতে হইবে। ৫% (শতকরা পাঁচ ভাগ) এর অধিক নিম্নদর প্রদানকারী

দরদাতাকে কার্যাদেশ প্রদানের সিদ্ধান্ত গ্রহণ করা হইলে সে ক্ষেত্রে নির্ধারিত বায়নার টাকার বিগুণ পরিমাণ টাকা জমা দিতে

হইবে। দরপত্র খোলার তারিখে দরপত্রের কোন দলিলপত্র বিক্রয় করা হইবে না। যে কোন বা সমুদায় দরপত্র কারণ দর্শানো

ব্যতিরেকেই গ্রহণ বা বাতিল করিবার ক্ষমতা কর্তৃপক্ষের সংরক্ষিত থাকিবে।

করানোর জন্য প্রয়োজনীয় মালামাল ক্রয়

কাজের নাম

অঞ্চল-১০ এর জন্য বিভাগীয় শ্রমিক দ্বারা কাজ

আপনার পরিবেশ সুন্দর ও পরিচ্ছন্ন রাখুন

আপনার শিশুকে টিকা দিন

ted here, he was more than content with his bronze

"I had morally lost the match," Wang said, "Even if I had gone on to take the world title, people would have remembered I lost in the quarter-final. It was satisfying to beat Kim fair and squre this time."

The 28-year old Wang, a lefthanded Olympic doubles champion, is the favourite for Sunday's 33,000 dollar top prize in this 16-man invitation event.

Wang joins Kim, France's Patrick Chila, Belgium's Jean-Michel Saive, France's Jeanphilippe Gatien, China's liu Guoliang, China's world champion Kong Linghui and Germany's European Masters Champion Jorg Rosskopf in the last eight.

Saive, who had to use his reserve recquet after damaging his bat against the table. easily beat Canada's world number 14 Johnny Huang 21-12, 21-12 for his second

And Liu also notched his second victory with a 21-10. 21-10 thrashing of worldranked 246 Francisco de Armas of Cuba, putting him into the last eight.

Gatien thrashed Nigeria's Sule Olaleye, world-ranked 115, 21-13, 21-14 for his second win to qualify. However, he finished second in his group after losing 21-19. 21-18 to Saive late on Friday.

Liu's 21-17, 21-17 late defet of Sweden's Peter Karlsson meant Kong took the second spot to Liu in group B.

And Rosskopf's 22-20, 21-16 victory over Olympic champion Jan-ove Waldner meant the was runner-up to Chila in group D.

Those two results meant if was only the second time in the 16-year history of the World Cup that a Swede has not reached the last eight.

Three-times European champion Mikael Appelgren could only make 11th in Kuala Lumpur in 1981, and no Swedes competed in Ho Chi Minh city three years ago.

Harkes to bid England bye

LONDON, Oct 14: American international John Harkes is leaving English First Division derby at the end of the season and returning home in a 500,000 pounds sterling (786,900 dollars) deal with the United States Soccer Federation, reports Reuter.

Harkes, who cost derby 800,000 pounds when he joined from Sheffield Wednesday two years ago, is to play in the new American league next season.

The New Jersey-born midfielder, who played in the 1994 World Cup finals, won a League Cup Winners' medal with the Wednesday in 1991.

Sumo in limelight

PARIS, Oct 14: French President Jacques Chirac on Friday presented the first trophy in a sumo wrestling tournament here that is to continue until Sunday, reports AFP.

Chirac handed the cup to Hawaiian Taro Akebono. 26. weighing 231 kilograms (508 pounds), after he had defeated his somewhat slimmer rival. Joji Takanohana. 23. weighing 152 kilograms (334 pounds). Both men are Yokozuna, or grand champions, one of the highest classifications in the sumo hierar-

Diego to speak in Oxford Union Society Nov 7

BUENOS AIRES, Oct 14: An Argentine newspaper reports that Diego Maradona is to follow in the footsteps of Britain's Queen Elizabeth II former Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev and ex-UN chief Javier Perez de Cuellar by addressing the Oxford Union Society, reports AFP.

Buenos Aires Daily Pagina-12 said the former captain of Argentina, back in football after serving out the second 15-month drugs ban of his career, is to address the prestigious debating society on November 6.

Among the 900 guests for the event will be Maradona's friend and co-founder of the new International Professional Footballers Association, Manchester United star Eric Cantona, himself back from an eight-month ban for attacking a Crystal Palace fan in January.

Ctg soccer **MSC** Blues left in the blues

Sports Reporter

Friends Club recorded a comfortable 2-0 win over Mohammedan Sporting Blues in the CJKP Elite Paint First Division football league at the Chittagong Stadium yester-

In a rather one-sided affair, striker Masum put Friends into the lead in the 17th minute after receiving a neat cross from medio Rubel deep into the opponent box.

Rubel, who remained the linch-pin of every Friends' sorties, then ensured a facile win in the 32nd minute with a gem of a goal.

The nimble forward latching on a through pass. dodged past a couple of Mohammedan defenders before unleashing a hard low drive to seal the fate of the match rather prematurely. In the other engagement

of the day. Masum struck the all-important goal midway through the second half to inspire Chittagong Port Authority to a lone goal win over Rising Star. After a barren first half

Masum pulled off the winner in the 58rd minute over an onrushing Rising Star custodian Babloo.

National King Fan b'ball

Sports Reporter

Saint Gregory's High School completed the semifinal line up of the third National King Fan Metropolis Schools Basketball championship yesterday after winning their final Group A match 71-32 against Bangladesh Navy School at the Dhanmondi Gymnasium.

It was the second victory for the Gregorians in three matches which confirmed for them at least the second spot in group B. BAF Shaheen School, Dhaka, who have won both their premious two outings and will play their last group encounter against BDR School and College today will fill the other berth from the group. The winners led the first half 29-7.

Prabal and Moinul caged in 20 and 16 points respectively for the Gregorians while Mazharul of Navy School was the highest scorer of the match with 24 points. In the day's other en-

gagement, BAF Shaheen School, Kurmitola beat BDR Public School and College 48-

This was the first win for Shaheen School in three group B matches while the outcome was worse for BDR Publics School who suffered their third concecutive defeat yesterday.

Boulmerka and Shouaa send message to Arab women

Phil Minshull writes from London

The gold medals won by Algeria's Hassiba Boulmerka and Syria's Ghada Shouaa at the recent World Athletics Championships in Gothenburg was an unprecedented feat for Arab women. But their victories are likely to have an impact far beyond the athletics track. Gemini News Service looks at two contrasting women with one message.

LGERIA'S Hassiba Boulmerka and Syria's Ghada Shouaa would seem to have little in common — other than being Arab women and winning gold medals at the recent World Athletics Championships in Sweden.

Boulmerka is an urbane, sophisticated Muslim who spends much of her time living in Italy because of the threats from fundamentalists she has been subjected to at home.

The 27-year-old from Constantine is an experienced middle-distance runner whose gold medal triumph in the 1,500-metres at the August World Championships adds impressively to her victories over the same distance at the 1991 World Championships and the 1992 Olympics.

By contrast, Shouaa has literally come down from the hills around her home in Moharda, 200 kilometres from the capital Damascus.

She is a Coptic Christian who, despite victories in the heptathlon at the last two Asian Games, was a virtual novice on the global stage until her surprising victory in Sweden. As the gold medals were

hung around their necks, both athletes had a single message for Arab women. "This is a particularly im-

portant victory for Algeria. There are not so many women in Islamic sport," said Boulmerka. "I endorse her senti-

ments," said Shouaa. "I hope my win will encourage Arab girls to take up sport." The question of Arab women participating in ath-

letics is a thorny one in many countries across the Maghreb (the Arabic countries of north-west Africa) where the rise of Islamic fundamentalism and a host of other cultural problems has put formidable obstacles in the way of would-be runners. Morocco's Nawal El-

Moutawakil managed to hurdle those obstacles and more. At the 1984 Olympics, she won the 400 metre hurdles to open the door to athletics for Arab women. But because of Morocco's position on the periphery of the Arab world, her victory had only a minimal impact at the time. El-Moutawakil, a tireless

campaigner for women's athletics, particularly in the Middle East, was elected to cover the head and body)." the International Amateur Athletic Federation Council in Gothenburg and so the issue of Arab women's development is now firmly back on the sporting agenda. But there is a lot of ground to be made up in the countries of Africa and Asia. It was noticeable that no

female athletes from Iran, Iraq, Qatar and Saudi Arabia competed in Gothenburg, although the IAAF would have paid for at least one woman

athlete to come from these countries - regardless of their standard.

While Boulmerka's success would certainly have inspired some women from those places, the problems she has had to overcome might well discourage others. In Algeria she has been subjected to threats from Islamic fundamentalists and as a young girl she was frequently spat on or pelted with stones while at training.

After her gold medal triumph at the 1991 World Championships - the first achieved by an Arab or African woman athlete - the Algerian imams pronounced a kofr, a denunciation, of Boulmerka, for "running with naked legs in front of thou-



particularly important victory for Algeria'

sands of men."

Her tongue-in-cheek response was that although she was a Muslim, traditional Islamic garb might inhibit her stride. Her high profile criticism

of the fundamentalists and their terror campaign has made her a target for public vilification and death threats from the Armed Islamic Group (GIA), the Islamic terrorist wing of the Islamic Salvation Front (FIS). "I am a danger to the fun-

damentalists," she said, "I am a symbol to the young that women do not have to hide behind their chadors (veils worn by Muslim women to With 75 per cent of

Algerians under the age of 30. Boulmerka has a large audience for her thoughts. But the Algerian government. in a quandary about whether to appease or suppress the fundamentalist feeling, has done little to protect her - a position she has been openly critical about.

While Boulmerka has had to tread her own hazardous path to athletics stardom, Shouaa has had the support of the government for her efforts.

"They have paid for my training since I was 15," said the former basketball international who started out as a

cross country runner. "They gave me a house when I won the Asian Games last year and there will be an official reception for me when I get back. The president follows what I do very closely," she says.

The government has paid for extensive coaching abroad and she is now helped by the former Soviet coach, Kim Bukhantsev, who guided Faina Melnik to an Olympic discus gold medal in 1972.

It is likely that Shouaa will find herself a pawn in the Assad regime's plans to stunt the rise of Islamic fundamentalism in his own country. She quickly became a propaganda vehicle for the regime of President Hafez al-Assad after she snatched the gold medal with a dramatic run in the last of the heptathlon's disciplines, the 800 metre.

Shouaa toes the Ba'athist party line very closely. The Syrian Amateur Athletics Association President, Mowafak Jomaa, was by her side throughout the post-race interviews and the former Syrian army major general whispered the correct answers to her in response to journalists questions. When one journalist asked

Jomaa to let the athlete answer for herself, the atmosphere turned very sour.

The saddest indication that Shouaa was being manipulated was her discourteous habit of ignoring questions from the Israeli journalists present and her response when asked who her greatest sporting hero was. She passed over the greats

of world athletics and even ignored Joseph Atiyeh, a wrestler who won a silver medal at the 1984 Olympics, Syria's only previous medal at world enampionship level. Instead, she opted for Basin Assad, the Syrian president's son who won an equestrian medal at the 1987 Mediterranean Games.

Boulmerka and Shouaa now have their sights set on the Olympics in Atlanta next year. Boulmerka will be defending her 1,500 metre title: Shouaa, who finished 25th at the Barcelona Olympics, says she can break the world heptathlon record there and establish herself as the undisputed number one in her event.

Whatever they achieve, both women will no doubt use this glittering stage again to encourage Arab women to realise their potential in the world of sport. - Gemini

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Primo hopes for the best Nebiolo added that the



PARIS. Oct 14: World athletics chief Primo Nebiolo said on Thursday that the 1996 Grand

Prix would turn global with new meetings being staged in Tokyo and Moscow, reports Reuter. "We have sought to make

the IAAF Grand Prix more international," said Nebiolo, the April. president of the International Amateur Athletics Federation during the IAAF's calendar congress on Thursday.

Grand Prix final would be held in Milan on September 7 and that the prize money for the event would be vastly increased. Nebiolo added that second

category meetings - dubbed Grand Prix II meetings would also be held in Melbourne. Johannesburg and New Delhi in February and

"In the past, we had two meetings in the US and one in Brazil. All the other Grand Prix meetings took place in

Europe," he said. "Now we're going to show that all continents are able to stage Grand Prix events,"

Nebiolo said.

Meetings outside the Grand Prix will also take place in Jakarta, Cape Town. Vancouver and St Petersburg. he added.

son compared to 34 last year," Nebiolo said. For the Grand Prix final in Milan, 3.4 million dollars will be on offer for top athletes,

first class meetings next sea-

"Overall there will be 40

compared to 2.3 million dollars last year. Both Grand Prix winners will collect 250,000 dollars. Athletes who break a world record will receive 100,000

dollars and 50,000 dollars

will be awarded for each

event "I wish I were Michael Johnson," Nebiolo said.

American 200 metres and 400 metres specialist Johnson topped this year's overall Grand Prix standings.

The IAAF boss said he was especially thrilled by the prospect of a Grand prix meeting in Moscow on June 7. especially as "the Russian federation is one of the most important members of the

A meeting will also be held in Atlanta on May 18 to inaugurate the stadium where the athletics events are to be staged at the Olympics.



Taro Akebono (L) of United States receives a trophy from French President Jacques Chirac after defeating Japanese Koji Tokanohana in an exhibition sumo show held in Paris on October 14. -AFP/UNB photo

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