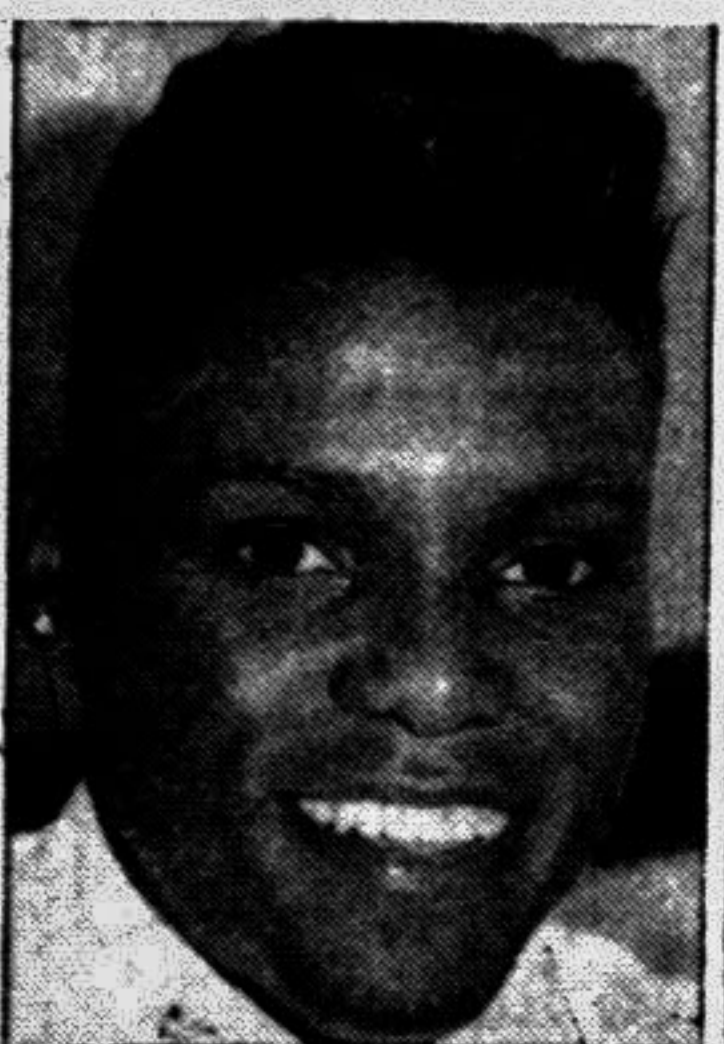


## DID U' KNOW?

(The Professor does)

THAT some amazing facts about hockey include India's eight Olympic golds, the highest, the fastest goal in an international was 7 seconds by John French for England; the greatest number of goals in international hockey is 150 by Paul Littens (Holland) in 112 games; hieroglyphs dating back to 2050 BC have been found in a tomb at Beni Hassan in Egypt showing two players in an orthodox 'bully' position.

## SPORTS TALK



Carl Lewis

(Legendary US sprinter)  
"A good athlete is God's gift to the country. You must nurture and cherish the gift."

## Sports WHIZZ KID

COMPETITION FOR SCHOOLCHILDREN

## Sports WHIZZ KID competition-22

Tick the Correct Answer

(Competition closes: 8 p.m. Jan 19, 1996)

1. The length of a badminton court is (in feet)	44	45	46
2. How many judges in Olympic diving competition?	Three	Five	Seven
3. The legendary marathoner Abebe Bikila was from	Tanzania	Ethiopia	Kenya
4. How many events in Olympic decathlon?	Five	Ten	Twelve
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## Jalu Bhai passes away

Sports Reporter

Dr Fazlul Huq, popularly known as Jalu Bhai, member and medical advisor of Mohammedan Sporting Club, passed away in Dhaka yesterday afternoon. He had been suffering from cancer, says a press release.

All officials, members and players of Mohammedan Sporting Club expressed deep sorrow at the death of their beloved colleague and prayed for the departed soul.

## TODAY'S FIXTURES

Premier Division cricket

Abahani KC vs Wari Club (DS)

Brothers Union vs Eskaton SS (DCS)

Yamaha First Division cricket league:

Sadharan Bima KS vs Bangladesh Railway (CCG)

Ame Second Division cricket league:

Uttara SC vs Laibagh Anwar SC (MOS)

Young Pegasus 'A' vs Rupali Bank (DCS)

Laibagh USC vs Rainbow SC (DCG)

Sonali Bank Second Division football league:

(Venue: Mirpur Stadium)

Dhaka Wanderers Club vs Adamjee SCC (2pm)

Muslim Institute vs Chalanika SC (3.30 pm)

City Club vs Lalmitia Club (5pm)

Progoti Insurance Third Division football league:

(Venue: Rajuk ground)

T and T Club vs Mirpur Eleven (2 pm)

Maghbazar Kisholoy vs Kadamtala Sangsad (3.30 pm)

## WHIZZ KID-21 correct answers

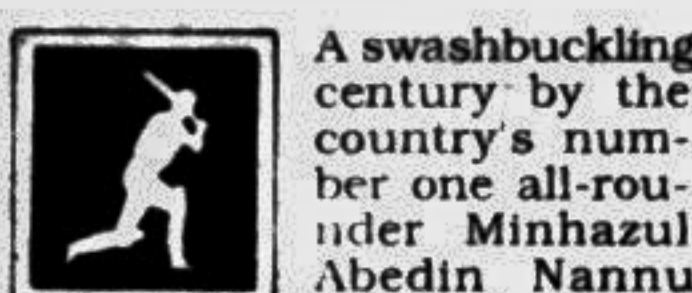
1. Which country has won the greatest number of Olympic medals?  
Ans: USA.
2. What is the maximum break in snooker?  
Ans: 147.
3. In international gymnastics, how many events are there in men's contests?  
Ans: Six.
4. How long is a marathon?  
Ans: 42.95 km.
5. A super-heavyweight boxer must weigh more than.  
Ans: 91 kg

## Nannu's ton lifts MSC

## BRIEF SCORES

Sports Reporter

**MOHAMMEDAN SC:** 263 in 49.3 overs (Minhazul Abedin 112, Jahangir 62, Sujon 43; Babul 4/45, Manjurul 3/34)  
**GMCC:** 136 in 39.4 overs (Golla 41, Rais Ahmed 22, Litu 2/10, Nannu 2/14, Shanto 2/18)  
Result: Mohammedans won by 127 runs.



A swashbuckling century by the country's number one all-rounder Minhazul Abedin Nannu guided joint holders Mohammedan Sporting Club back to winning ways in the ongoing Premier Division cricket league when they recorded a convincing 127-run win over Greater Myensingh Cricket Club (GMCC) at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

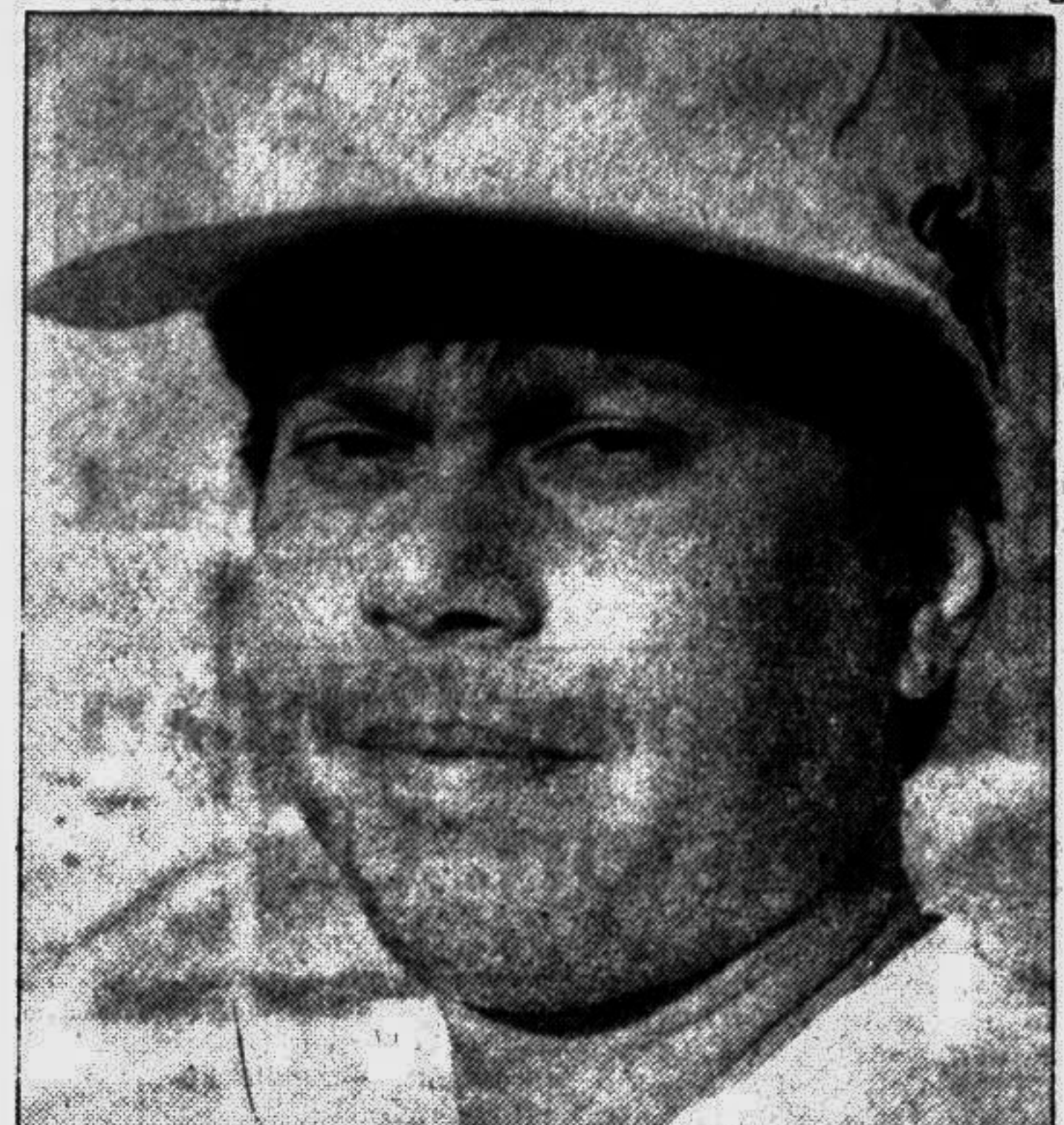
Batting first in the morning, Mohammedans piled up a huge 263 runs before they were bowled out in 49.3 overs. In reply, the Myensingh outfit were booked on 136 in 39.4 overs.

It was Mohammedans' fifth victory in six league matches and places them temporarily atop the standings along with their arch rivals Abahani Krira Chakra and Kalabagan Krira Chakra, the latter, in the other match played yesterday, defeating Dhaka Wanderers Club by 27 runs at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium. All three teams have earned 10 points apiece but Abahani, who have played five matches, will have a chance to surpass the other two if they can beat Wari Club today. On the other hand, it was GMCC's fourth defeat in six outings.

Put in to bat, Mohammedans, whose unbeaten run in the league was halted by giant-killers Wari Club last week, found themselves in deep trouble when their top four batsmen returned to the dressing room with the scoreboard on only 12 in 9 overs.

GMCC skipper, right arm pacer Mizanur Rahman Babul, was the wrecker-in-chief as he sent back opener Mustafizur Litu, keeper Nasir Ahmed Nasu and his MSC counterpart Aminul Islam Bulbul before they could even open their personal accounts. Babul's new-ball partner Manjurul Islam provided ample support capturing the wicket of star all-rounder Selim

Shahed (1). But the situation took a U-turn when former national captain Nannu joined the other opener Jahangir Alam. The experienced duo played the sheet anchor role to rescue Mohammedans from the



NANNU ... scintillating 112

dark, adding 129 runs for the fifth wicket in 25.1 overs.

Jahangir scored 62 off 103 balls before giving a simple catch to veteran Rafiqul Alam at mid-on off a Rais Ahmed delivery in the 35th over leaving Mohammedans on 141 for five.

Nannu, a controversial transfer from Abahani this year, then added a further 91 runs to the side's account in partnership with Khaled Mahmud Sujon (43). The prolific middle-order batsman completed his century facing only 104 balls. His knock included nine boundaries. He survived another nine deliveries and took his personal account to 112 before becoming Babul's fourth victim in the 45th over with the scoreboard showing 232 for six.

This was the eighth century of the league so far this season and Nannu's first in the league in six years. The outstanding national cricketer scored his last league ton in the 1988-89 season when he fired 123 off 126

balls against Abahani KC. In the remaining five overs, Mohammedans collected a further 31 runs before they were all out on 263. Babul was the most successful GMCC bowler with his four-wicket haul conceding

141 for five.

Almost all the Mohammedans bowlers were more or less successful yesterday. Hasibul Hasan Shanto, Morshed Ali Khan Sumon, Nannu and Litu were each rewarded with two wickets for their efforts.

With yesterday's two wickets, Shanto became the leading bowler of the league grabbing 15 wickets in six matches.

The winners will face Brothers Union Club in their next engagement on January 15 while GMCC will meet Gulshan Youth Club on the following day.

Chasing 156 to win in 45 overs, the Lalmitia outfit prevailed in the 42nd over with all-rounder Riaz Sheikh scoring 35 and Biplob 20 runs.

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## Hoping against hope

JOHANNESBURG, Jan 12:

FIFA president Joao Havelange had still not ruled out Nigeria's participation at the African Nations Cup today, reports AFP.

Havelange, who sent a fax to Nigerian President General Sani Abacha on Thursday evening urging Nigeria to come, said: "I think there is still hope that Nigeria will show up."

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Result: Kalabagan won by 27 runs.

Kalabagan Krira Chakra registered their fifth victory in the Premier Division cricket league on Friday beating Dhaka Wanderers Club by 27 runs at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium.

Batting first, Kalabagan piled up an impressive total of 262 for seven in the allotted 50 overs with national under-19 keeper Atiar Rahman blasting 67 off 73 (4x6) and skipper Faruque Ahmed, opening the batting for a change, firing a blistering 45 off 48 balls (4x6, 6x2). The other opener, Nurul Abedin Nobel, chipped in with a sedate 46 off 111 deliveries.

In reply, Wanderers took advantage of a seemingly relaxed Kalabagan attack making 235 for eight in their own 50 overs. Syed Monirul Huq made 88 not out (4x5, 6x2) while Zafar Qureshi made 53 (4x5, 6x3).

Left-arm spinner Sharfuddin Iqbal took 3 for 26 while Pakistani Shahid Saeed took 3 for 42.

## Yamaha Div I cricket

Sports Reporter

**KHELAGHAR SKS:** 156 in 44.5 overs (Babur 31, Riaz Sheikh 23, Sumon 22, Riaz Sheikh 4/27)  
**LALMITIA CLUB:** 159 for nine in 41.2 overs (Riaz Sheikh 35, Riaz Amjad 3/46)  
Result: Lalmitia won by one wicket.

Lalmitia Club recorded a narrow victory in the Yamaha First Division cricket league defeating Khelaghar Samaj Kalyan Sangha by one wicket at the City Club ground yesterday.

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## India to host triangular series in Nov

NEW DELHI, Jan 12: Australia and South Africa will compete in a triangular limited-over series along with hosts India during October and November, an Indian cricket official said on Thursday, reports Reuters.

Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) secretary Jagmohan Dalmiya said six Tests against South Africa had also been agreed.

South Africa will play three Tests in India immediately after the triangular series and the two sides will play a further three Tests in South Africa beginning next January, Dalmiya said.

## Ctg soccer

CHITTAGONG, Jan 12: Chittagong Mohammedan Sporting Club and Bangladesh Chemical Industries Corporation (BCIC) Club shared points in the CJKP First Division football super league in a goalless drawn match at the Chittagong Stadium here today, reports BSS.

Mohammedans played well but failed to score. Mohammedans earned eight points from five matches while BCIC collected ten points also from same number of matches.

## Aussies stymie Lankans



PERTH, Jan 12: Australia rebounded here Friday night to outplay Sri Lanka in a World Series one-day cricket clash after being defeated by them in Melbourne three days earlier, reports AFP.

small band of supporters reason for optimism.

Opening pair Sanath Jayasuriya (27) and Romesh Kaluwitharana (20) smashed 56 from the opening 11 overs.

But then three wickets fell without addition and a fourth nine runs later, making it 4-



MARK WAUGH ... 130

The home country reassured their authority over the tourists with a decisive 83-run victory in front of a near full-house crowd of more than 27,000 under the WACA Ground lights.

Australia, after winning the toss, fashioned a handsome total of 266-6 from their 50 overs, before holding Sri Lanka to 9-183.

Already certain to play in the best-of-three finals, starting next week, Australia moved to 10 points at the top of the three-nation ladder.

The West Indies are second, with six points, while Sri Lanka trail with four points.

Sri Lanka can still creep into the finals by beating the West Indies here Sunday and Australia in Melbourne on Tuesday.

Sri Lanka's task Friday night of scoring at more than five runs an over was well beyond them.

For a fleeting moment or two, however, they gave their

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He had seemed likely to carry his bat, but the 30-year-old right-hander was finally run out from the first ball of the last over of the innings after seeing his side to 3-259.

On a day when acting captain Aravinda de Silva used seven bowlers, paceman Chaminda Vaas (2-33) and left-arm slow bowler Sanath Jayasuriya (2-48) both completed creditable 10-over stints.

## SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard in the World Series limited overs match between Australia and Sri Lanka at the WACA Ground today:

## AUS/SLA

Taylor c sub b Jayasuriya	85
M Waugh run out	130
Ponting b Jayasuriya	71
S Waugh b Vaas	11
Law run out	1
Bevan not out	1
Healy c Jayasuriya b Vaas	0
Extras: (lb-8, w-9, nb-2)	19
Total: (for six wickets - 50 overs)	266
Fall of wickets: 1-189; 2-209; 3-251; 4-258; 5-266; 6-266	
<b>Bowling</b>	<b>O M R W</b>
Vaas	10 1 33 2
Pushpakumara	8 0 41 0
Wickramasinghe	9 0 60 0
Dharmasena	10 0 51 0
De Silva	1 0 7 0
Kalpage	2 0 18 0
Jayasuriya	10 0 48 2

## SRI LANKA

Jayasuriya c Healy b Law	7
Kaluwitharana c Ponting b McGrath	20
Gurusinha b McDermott	45
De Silva lbw b Law	0
Mahanama c Healy b Reiffel	0
Tilakaratne not out	3
Kalpage c Bevan b McDermott	1
Dharmasena run out	2
Vaas st Healy b Warne	0
Wickramasinghe run out	2
Pushpakumara not out	1
Extras: (lb-8, w-5, nb-1)	14
Total: (for nine wickets - 50 overs)	183
Fall of wickets: 1-56; 2-56; 3-56; 4-67; 5-138; 6-142; 7-151; 8-172; 9-175	
<b>Bowling</b>	<b>O M R W</b>
McDermott	10 0 39 2
McGrath	8 1 22 1
Law	10 0 30 2
Reiffel	9 2 25 1
Warne	10 0 45 1
S Waugh	3 0 14 0

Result: Australia won by 83 runs.

## STANDINGS

Standings in the World Series one-day cricket series after Friday's match (tabulate under games played, won, lost, no result and points):

Australia	7	5	2	0	10
West Indies	7	3	4	0	6
Sri Lanka	6	2	4	0	4

## Thorpe rises to occasion



BLOEMFONTEIN, N. South Africa, Jan 12: Half-centuries from Mike Atherton, Graham Thorpe and Graeme Hick gave England a five-wicket win over South Africa on Thursday to level the seven-match one-day series at 1-1, reports Reuters.

Although victory in the end was with a comfortable nine balls in hand, a mid-innings stumble looked as if a repeat of the opening match defeat when England's later order collapsed was possible.

But this time Thorpe, with a thoroughly professional and undefeated 72, guided England to 265 for five in response to South Africa's 262 for eight in their 50 overs.

Thorpe built on a superb start to the innings founded on a polished anchor innings of 85 from Atherton off 110 balls and a crashing 55 from Hick who hit the first three balls from fast bowler Allan Donald to the boundary.

England, who lost the toss, took a calculated gamble by using all-rounder Phil DeFreitas as Atherton's partner when England began their reply.

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England were 223 for five and running out of overs. But Thorpe kept the scoreboard ticking over and lashed Pollock for successive fours to win the match. Thorpe's 72 came from 83 deliveries.

South Africa paid the price for not capitalising on a brilliant start. Openers Andrew Hudson (84) and Richard Snell (63) put on 116 in 23 overs for the first wicket and with Brian McMillan weighing in with 44 the home side were 197 for two at one stage.

But a late collapse, which saw four wickets fall for 11 runs in 20 balls checked the charge and South Africa fell at least 30 runs short of a total they must have earlier expected.