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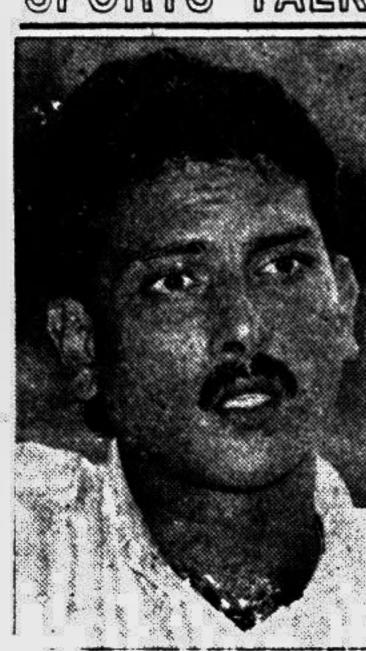
T HAT the largest margin of victory by runs is 223 when Australia beat Sri Lanka at Adelaide in 1985. Other plus-200 margins featured New Zealand beating Australia. also at Adelaide, a year later (206) and England having the better of India at Lord's in

1975 (202 runs) In terms of wickets there have been as many as nine 10wickets victories with New Zealand getting the stick

thrice. On the other end of the scale, there have ten occasions when one-run was the margin of victory. Four times the Aussies have lost by just that single run, to New Zealand (1981, 1988, 1990) and West Indies (1988)

The cricketing greats have been separated by one wicket on twelve occasions. Pakistan could keep intact that vital wicket in four cliff-hangers but also lost by the margin in as many one-dayers!

#### SPORTS TALK



Ravi Shastri

(Former Indian all rounder) "At the end of the day one: day cricket is not about what you do. its about what you do on the big day. Take the World Cup. Australia might have played brilliant cricket for one year and for 360 days they may have been the boss. In the World Cup, for three days if they screw up, they screw up



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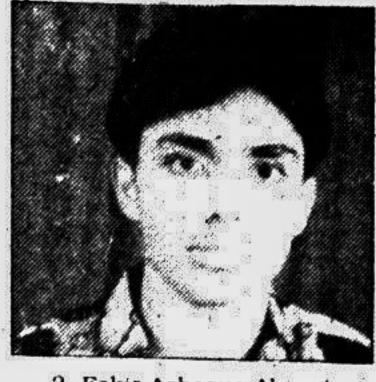
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#### WHIZZ KID -26 winners



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# Sujon shoos Wari away

**Sports Reporter** 

order, which includes national stalwarts Aminul Islam Bulbul and Minhazul Abedin Nannu. and Youth team skipper Selim Shahed, crumbled under the Wari pace attack - none of the top five batsmen scoring more

Sujon went further in prov-ing his all round abilities when he clean bowled dangerman Moniruzzaman Moni and also accounted for opposing skip-



**SUJON.. 108** per M Rahman Mukul as Wari wobbled to 155 runs before being bundled out in 45.5 overs. Opener M Islam Biplob fought a lone battle for his side making 55 off 77 balls. Biplob hit five fours and a six in his

rain attempt to turn the game

Pakistani spinner Shahed Mahmud claimed two wickets for 34 runs while Mustadir Litu returned with two wickets for

10 off his three overs. Sujon, undoubtedly the unofficial man-of-the-match took two for twenty of his five medium pace overs.

#### Acme Div II cricket

Sports Reporter Brief scores of Acme Second Division cricket super league matches played at dif-

ferent venues in the city yes-

NABIN SANGHA - 143 in 40 overs (Shams 24. Pavel 20. Zahid 20, Pappa 3/21) UTTARA CC- 148/7 in 31-1 overs (Pijush 53 n.o. Masum Results: Uttara CC won by 3 wkts.

ORIENT SC - 238/8 in (Ujjal 60, Mahmud 42) GANDARIA CRICKETERS: 174 in 38.4

(Litu 52; Naser 3/21. Shaheen 3/23) Result: Orient SC won by 64 runs.

## Pinch-hitters to pounce



BRIEF SCORES

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match at the Dhaka Stadium

with his side trailing on 46 for

four in only the thirteenth

over. Sujon played the sheet anchor role in Mohammedans'

unimpressive innings of 220

rounder, who rarely gets an opportunity to display his bat-

ting abilities, quietened his

critics by scoring a responsible

108 off 121 deliveries inclu-

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Sujon's second career cen-

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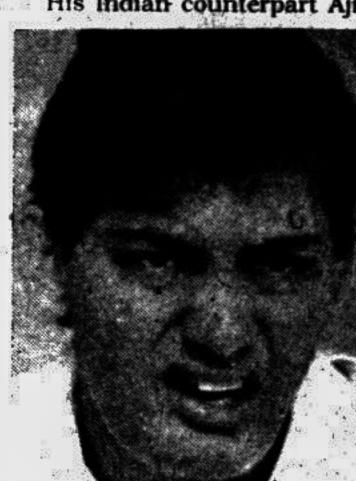
NEW DELHI, Mar 1: Both India and Sri Lanka are looking to take pinch-hitting to new heights when they clash in a key World Cup match here on Saturday, reports AFP.

The hard, barren wicket at the small Fereoze Shah Kotla ground bodes well for a highsoring thriller between two tea is packed with strokeplay-

Sri Lankan marrager Duleep Mendis hinted at an explosive run-feast when he said his team will attempt to score "at least 100 runs in the first 15

"The conditions here suit our style. We will go for the runs from the start." Mendis said. "We must get at least 100 in the first 15 overs.

His Indian counterpart Ajit



AZHARUDDIN

Wadekar echoed similar feelings: "The wicket will play well. I don't think anything less than 280 will be safe on

Wadekar, however, spunded a note of caution to the team batting first.

"There is a lot of moisture under the Kotla pitch, which helps seamers at the start. But it eases by afternoon. It will not be a bad idea to bat sec-

If India have in-form wonder boy Sachin Tendulkar to provide a brisk start. Sri Lankan hopes rest with the pocket-sized Romesh Kaluwitharana, whose spectacular batting won Australian

hearts earlier in the season. "Romesh is real bonus for us," Mendis said. "We have runs on the board fast, which eases the pressure on the remaining batsmen.

But Mendis knows that Tendulkar, who has scores of 127 not out, 70 and 90 in the World Cup, must be removed early if the Sri Lankans are to restrict the home team to a manageable score. \*

"The key lies in how soon we can remove Tendulkar. Once he gets going, he may be difficult to stop." Sri Lankan captain Arjuna

Ranatunga said India's defeat to Australia puts additional pressure on his counterpart Mohammad Azharuddin. "It does not matter whom we play in the quarterfinal. But

India would certainly not like to play Pakistan, and they must beat us here to do that. Pakistan, who will probably finish second in Group B after losing to South Africa on Thursday, will meet the third-

placed team from Group A in the quarterlinals. India could finish third if they lose to Sri Lanka on Saturday, but Azharuddin brushed aside any burden on his team.

There is no pressure, we don't worry about what will happen in the quarterfinals. It is important not to think of the future, but take each match as it comes." Azharud-

Both teams will name their playing elevens before the toss on Saturday. Wadekar said india were contemplating playing off-spinner Ashish Kapoor to pin down the four left-handers at the top of the Sri

Lankan batting order. Left-arm spinner Venkatapathy Raju or seamer Venkatesh Prasad will face the axe-if

Kapoor is accommodated: Sri Lanka's controversial off-spinner\_Muttiah Muralitharan seems certain to play after Mendis said he was ideally suited to bowl on the slow "He is on of our main strike

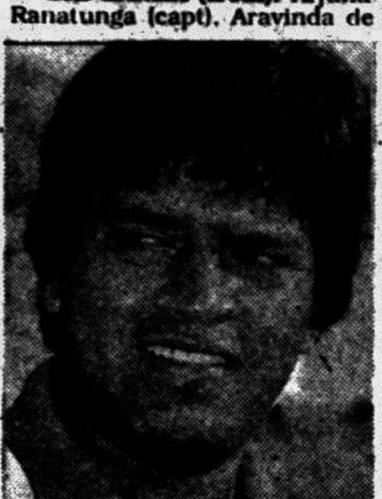
bowlers. Happily for us. Murali is not worried anymore about his bowling action since scientific tests have proved he does not throw.

Two Australian umpires noballed Muralitharan 14 times for chucking earlier in the season. But a Hong Kong-based institute - whose decision carries no official weight -declared him legal after filming his action with slow-motion cameras.

TEAMS INDIA (from): Mohammad

Azharuddin (capt). Sachin Tendulkar, Ajay Jadeja, Vinod Kambli. Sanjay Manjrekar. Manoj Prabhakar. Nayan Mongia, Javagal Srinath, Anil Kumble, Venkatesh Prashad. Venkatapathy Raju, Navjot Sidhu. Ashish Kapoor. Salil

SRI LANKA (from): Arjuna



RANATUNGA

Silva. Sanath Jayasuriya Romesh Kaluwitharana, Roshan Mahanama, Asanka Gurisinha, Hashan Tillakaratne. Marvan Atapattu, Kumara Dharmasena, Upal Chandana, Muttiah Muralitharan. Pramodaya Wickramasinghe. Chaminda Vaas. Ravindra Pushpakumara.

UMPIRES: Cyril Mitchley (South Africa) and Ian Robinson (Zimbabwe) MATCH REFEREE: John Reid (New Zealand)

#### Miandad's dubious malady he was receiving treatment.



KARACHI, Mar 1: Pakistan's World Cup campaign slid further towards total chaos here on Thursday after reports that star batsman Javed Miandad had walked out of the team after a bust-up over his role in the side, reports AFP.

The defending champions. who also found themselves embroiled in an umpiring controversy before losing Thursday's vital Group B encounter with South Africa, at first denied the reports, announcing the player had injured his back.

But skipper Wasim Akram then bungled a press conference as he came under intense questioning over why Miandad had not played in front of a 34,000-capacity crowd at his home stadium.

Wasim said, "Javed being dropped... Javed has been dropped. I mean he did not play this match.

think he did not because he has this... he has stressed his back a bit while fielding." Sticking to that line, he explained that Miandad had not appeared for the national an-

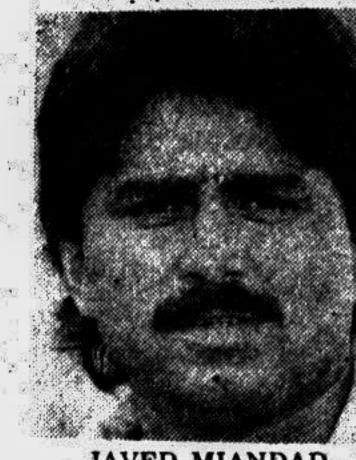
#### them before the game because Pakistan to switch tack

KARACHI, Mar 1: Pakistan manager Intikhab Alam said here today his team had learnt a World Cup lesson against South Africa and would rely on a pace attack against Fords of this workend, proofts

He added. "He is our main player, he is one of the best players we have in Pakistan." But the mystery intensified

immediately when Miandad. 38, a former national captain with a long history of rowing with national officials and fellow players, gave yet another version of events.

Miandad claimed, "I did not



JAVED MIANDAD

play today because I was not leeling well. I had a tummy problem and was feeling weak. That's it."

Sources close to the team claimed Miandad, who has played in all six World Cup since 1975, infuriated Wasim and manager Intikhab Alam for turning up late to a function with a chief minister from South Sindh Province on

.Wednesday night. He then made himself unavailable for the game, they said, suggesting Miandad wanted to play a more central role. With Wasim as captain and Aamir Schail as his deputy. that can only mean a move up

Miandad is currently batting at number six and failed to get a bat in the side's first two games against the United Arab Emirates and and Holland.

The player's absence infuriated his home fans at Thursday's game. When the fifth Pakistan wicket fell. Wasim appeared to be loudly heckled as chants of "Javed. Javed" rose from the stands.

The Miandad mystery, however, could have immediate effects on the pitch itself.

Mlandad, the fourth highest Test run-scorer in history, was only included in the World Cup squad at the last moment, having just retired from a self-imposed two-year retirement. He had walked out in April 1994. claiming he had been insulted by the selectors. Doubts were immediately

raised about Pakistan team But Intikhab said last week:

"It will not make any difference. All the players have been told what to do. They have to follow the game plan which Wasim Akram wants to implement. They have been told what to do and there is great understanding among all the players." Miandad is known to have

his supporters in the side. Several other players from Karachi are in the squad while others have played with him for Habib Bank. Ironically, Thursday's defeat

will mean that South Africa are guaranteed to return there for their quarterfinal while Pakistan will probably have to travel to India for the next round, depriving the Karachi faithful of a second chance to ser Miandad play.

#### **GMCC** glide past Eskaton

Sports Reporter

Greater Mymensingh Cricket Club (GMCC) got off to a brilliant start in the Premier Division cricket relegation league when they thrashed a sub-standard Eskaton Sabuj Sanigha by 9 wickets at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium vesterday.

On the opening day of the secont phase of the league.
GMCC bowled out Eskaton to a paltry 97 runs in 34.5 overs with skipper Mizanur Rahman Babul and Manzurul Islam ripping through the opponents'

Babul took three for 21 while Manzurul accounted for four Eskaton batsmen giving away 31 runs. Tawhid Hossain was the

ton ranks hitting an unbeaten 33 off 62 balls inclusive of five boundaries. In reply, GMCC mustered up the required runs in only

lone survivor among the Eska-

14.1 overs losing only one wicket. Discarded national opener

Javed Omar Belim remained unbeaten on 38 hitting five boundaries while Mahmud Hamid was the other not out batsman on 46. He hit seven fours and a sixer.

**ESKATON SS: 97 in 34.5** Tawhid 33 n.o, Manzurul 4/31, Babul 3/21) GMCC: 100/1 tn 14.1

(Mahmud 46 n.o., Javed

#### Brisk betting in Pakistan!

38 n.o) ~

KARACHI, Mar 1: Betting is forbidden on religious grounds in Islamic Pakistan but illegal bookies say business is thriving because of the World Cup, reports Reuter.

"There is a tremendous interest," said one man operating in Karachi's Boulton market business district.

Speaking on condition of strict anonymity, he said most people wanted to bet on champions Pakistan as they fight to retain their title. Before Pakistan's defeat by South Africa in Karachi on

Thurs lay, the bookies had in-

by the bookies is 1,000 rupees

(29 dollars).

stalled the home side as joint favourites with Australia at 3-1 followed by India (4-1) and South Africa (5-1). The minimum bet accepted

#### The Daily Star readers' poll

After Thursday's set back. the predictions were back on track again yesterday. Both Australia and the UAE won. But a tough game awaits today. Good luck to you fortune-

finale, a few hundred fans tellers. Today's predicted winners:

#### TODAY'S VENUE

NEW DELHI: The capital of India. The history of Delhi goes back to the Mahabharata, as this was the site of ancient Indraprastha.

Delhi, through the ages, was ruled by a series of Muslim dynasties, each of whom built forts, tombs, palaces of different artistic styles.

Amongst the Mughals who followed it was Shah Jahan who made Delhi his capital and embellished it. And it was from Delhi that Nadir Shah, the Persian emperor, took away the Peacock Throne and the famed Kohinoor diamond.

The British moved their capital from Calcutta to Delhi in 1911 making it the 8th city to be built on site. New Delhi was designed by Edwin Lutyens and Herbest Boker. English architects.

Today, Delhi is an amazing mix of the old and the new. The seat of the Government. Delhi is a city very conscious of its power and status. India's capital does not have

a modern cricket stadium. But the historic 30,000-seater Feroze Shah Kotla ground is a permanent Test venue. New dressing rooms and a media centre are being constructed for the today's India-Sri Lanka match.

#### WHIZZ KID - 27 winners

Nazifa Karenina

Dhaka 2. Sara Nowreen Eng. University School Dhaka 3. Anika Mariam Ahmed Sunnydale Dhaka 4. Sara Farheen Ahmed Holy Cross High School Dhaka

Holy Cross High School

Ganobhaban Govt High School Dhaka (please send your pictures)

5. Rakibuzzaman

#### WHiZZ KID -27 correct answers

1. All three choices of question No 1 were incorrect. Winners were determined on the basis of four correct an-2. The 1974 Asian Games

3. The present West Indian cricket vice captain is? Ans: Courtney Walsh. 4. Tennis prodigy Martina Hingis is a Ans : Swiss

were held in

Ans: Tehran.

5. The name of the captain of the MAP ericked torse

# Emirates turn up heat



LAHORE, Mar 1: The United Arab Emirates, inspired by a "shopkeeper" and a could be Vivian Richards, stunned Holland here today by winning their World Cup battle of the minnows, reports AFP.

Shaukat Dukanwala - whose

peppering the stands in small

Dukanwala, greeted by chants of "what have you got in your shop?" throughout the. tournament, came up with the goods at last by taking five wickets for 29 off his ten overs to reduce the Dutch to 216 for

nine. Then Raza made sure he shared the man-of-the-match award by lashing Holland's hapless spinners all over the

muscle and spent most of Friday grimacing in pain. He looks a certain non-starter for Holland's final game against South Africa. Falvian Aponso and Peter Cantrell were Holland's top scorers with 45 and 47. The result left the Dutch, a non-Test playing nation like their opponents, rooted to the bottom of the table, with the Emirates leap-frongging them to end with two points from five matches. SCOREBOARD Scoreboard of the World Cup Group B match between the United Arab Emirates and Holland played in Lahore Fri-HOLLAND Clarke et Mehra b Altaf Cantrell et imtiaz b Azhar Aponso et and b Dukanwala

Holland's dejection was perfectly reflected by opener

Nolan Clarke and all-rounder

Roland Lefebre. Clarke, the

oldest man of the tournament

at 47 and who has scored 35

centuries in Dutch cricket.

scores have been 14, 4 and 0.

Glamorgan player, game here

with a barely recovered groin

His previous tournament

Lebebyre, meanwhile, the

was dismissed for a duck.

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Dukanwala 29 Raza UNITED ARAB EMIRATES Azhar run out Raza at Zuiderent b Lubbes 8 Mazhar et Clarke b Lefebyre 16 Mehra not out

Total: (3 wkts. 44.2 overs) 220 Fall of wickets: 11-117: 2-135: 3-138 Did not but: Saeed Al-Saffar Shahzad, Altaf, Johanne Samarasekera, Sultana Zarawani. Imtiaz Abbasi, Shaukat Dukan-

Ishaq not out

Extras: (7lb, 1w)

Bowling Bakker Lefebvre Lubbers Cantrell Aponso Result: United Arab Emirates

won by 7 wkts Men-of-match: Shaukat Dukanwala and Saleem Raza

# Wasim's date with destiny

- AFP/UNB photo

His six sixes was just one

Dutch coach David Trist

The Emirates have been

short of West Indian Richards'

World Cup record, recorded back

admitted his side had been

disappointing during the tour-

nament while we have been

competitive. But today they

were hungrier. It was a terribly

disappointing performance."-

in 1987 in Karachi.

caught out



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name means shopkeeper in

Urdu-and big-hitting Saleem

Raza. who cracked six sixes

and seven fours in an innings

of 84 off just 68 balls, saw the

Emirates home by seven

wickets and over five overs to

spare in their final match of

Sadly, only the proverbial

one man and his dog turned up

to see the Emirates' Group B

KARACHI, Mar 1: Pakistan skipper Wasim Akram faces up to his worst World Cup nightmare here on Friday as he bids to refloat a side rocked by defeat and a double controversy. reports AFP.

Wasim has just two days to plug the holes after reports leaked out that veteran batsman Javed Miandad had made himself unavailable for Thursday's crucial defeat to Pakistan after a team row. First he must reassure

Miandad, reportedly unhappy batting at number six, of his importance in the Pakistan set-up. Then he must refocus the side and get it playing back-to-basics cricket before Sunday's

game here against England. Another mystery is the late switch of umpire Ian Robinson from Thursday's game, allegedly because Pakistan were unhappy with him. But that will be the last thing on

Wasim's worry list. The captain, while denying the reports of a team rift, is likely to move Miandad up the batting order on Sunday since the 38-year-old veteran of all

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six World Cups has yet to face a ball in the tournament after Pakistan's easy early wins. Wasing however, will have

to make sure he keeps the rest of the souad - containing six.

DUKANWALA'S DAY, Spinner Shuakat Dukanwala of the

United Arab Emirates in action against Holland during

their World Cup Group B match Lahore yesterday.

Dukanwala captured 5 for 29 and was adjudged the man of



WASIM AKRAM

happy at the same time, while also cracking the whip after Thursday's reverse.

Unfortunately for the skipper, his task will be made all the harder since he was himself one of the prime offend

Wasim admitted. "I didn't bowl well." Worse still. his tactical naivety was also badly shown up.

He said after the match: "Probably the next game we will come out with a different strategy (...) the players know what they did wrong. Wastin made several crucial errors on Thursday. First he

play before the 15th overmaking them highly vulnerable to the rule allowing only two fielders outside the inner 30yard circle. Then he tailed to reign in Wagar Younis, who grabbed three wickets but also gave

brought all three spinners into

away morale-sapping runs at key moments. Waqar saw one over go for 17. while leg-spinner Mushtaq Ahmed cost 16 off his first. Wasim's authority on the field. however, was not helped by his own 9.2 overs costing 49.

The Pakistan captain may

not be able to transform him-

self into a brilliant tactician

overnight - although Hansie

Cronje must have taught him a

few lesson on Thursday - but

he can get the side, spiced with such individual brilliance. playing back-to-basics cricket Attack. Wasim will have to

tell his squad, is all very well but pressure must also be built. up by defence. As the flow of runs is stemmed, so batsmen are more likely to take risks.

# CRYPTOQUIP JN

NIKN UKTICM LHEGC K DYJVLN IKEC. Yesterday's Cryptoquip: NOAH'S ARKS. A WHOLE-SOME CRUISE LINE KNOWN FOR ITS CREATURE

COMPORTS. Today's Cryptoquip clue: V equals G The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one

letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, It will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to

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