Not just live. Alive.

IMMY Adams, smarting

under colossal pressure

and an indifferent form.

blasted the winning runs off

Damien Fleming and rested all

speculations about the Windies'

place in the quarterfinals. West

indies not only made their

position secure, but saved PIL-

COM from a lot of embarrass-

ing questions had they lost to

Australia at the picturesque

**BRIAN LARA** 

Sawai Mansingh Stadium of

words of wisdom from my late

lamented mother. She wanted

to make her children wise

and careful and gave this word

of advise, "Never neglect fire,

enemy and illness, however,

small or weak they might be."

As a boy I learnt some

Jaipur.

# Let's make things better.



#### **Emotion engulfs** Richardson

JAIPUR, India, March 4: Richie Richardson delivered the perfect answer to his Caribbean critics today but is still prepared to step aside as West Indian captain if players so wish, reports Reuter.

Richardson's vital unbeaten 93 inspired West Indies to a four-wicket win over World Cup favourites Australia barely four days after the Kenyan debacle in Pune which provoked outrage among their supporters back home.

Those same supporters may still feel that one narrow oneday win will not heal all the divisions in West Indian cricket, but Richardson and his teammates have clearly been stung into action.

"It was embarrassing in the Caribbean when we lost to Kenya, so I'm very happy for them back home," said Richardson, after winning the man-of-the-match award ahead of Australian century-maker Ricky Ponting.

"Today shows that if you struggle hard, you get success in the end.

"As I've said before, I will stand down if it is in the best interests of West Indies cricket," said Richardson.

"If the players or the board think I'm not the man for the job. I'll stand down. I'm not going to be hurt and curse people or anything like that."
The West Indian revival

owed much to Richardson's return to form with the bat after Brian Lara had gone for a breezy 60, not to mention their deliberately cautious game-plan against Shane Warne, who conceded only 30 runs but failed to take a wicket.

They also fielded tightly and profited from some fine early bowling from Curtly Ambrose and Courtney Walsh.

Ambrose conceded just one run in his first five overs, helped in Australian captain Mark Taylor's opinion by some uneven bounce.

#### BTC golf classic on Friday

BTC golf classic '96, one of the premier fixtures of Kurmitola Golf Club will be held on Friday. March 08. 1996 at the Kurmitola Golf Club. Over 200 amateur golfers will be vying for the honours and a host of prizes. Entry cards will be available at the Kurmitola Golf Course, says a press release.

### Jonty expected for ours

RAWALPINDI, Mar 4: South Africa's captain Hansie Cronje said today he expected Jonty Rhodes to be fit for the World Cup quarterfinals at the weekend, reports Reuter.

Rhodes aggravated a longstanding hamstring injury on the eve of South Africa's match against Pakistan in Karachi last Thursday, missed that encounter, and will also sit out their last Group B fixture against the Netherlands here on Tuesday.

But Cronje said Rhodes, their brilliant fieldsman and middle order batsman, was expected to be available for selection for South Africa's quarterfinal tie in Karachi on Monday

"The medical opinion is that Jonty will be fit for the quarterfinal if we rest him in the meantime," the captain

Rhodes did, however, bat in net practice on Sunday and Monday as South Africa prepared to face the Dutch.

#### Ramprakash to replace Fairbrother

KARACHI, Mar 4: England were given clearance by World Cup officials today to call up Middlesex batsman Mark Ramprakash as a replacement for the injured Neil Fairbr

other, reports Reuter. The Cup's five-man technical committee accepted that Fairbrother would be unable to play in the rest of the tournament after injuring a hamstring during Sunday's Group B

match against Pakistan. Ramprakash is expected to arrive in Karachi on Wednesday or Thursday and link up with the England squad before they travel to Faisalabad to take

up their guaranteed quarterfinal place on Saturday. "Mark was always our

standby batsman and we are happy he will be joining us." said England team manager Ray Illingworth.

Ramprakash, a member of the recent England touring team to South Africa, has played 19 Tests and 10 oneday internationals.

The 26-year-old was in England's provisional squad for

the World Cup. He will be England's second replacement player. Warwickshire all-rounder Dermot Reeve joined the team early in the tournament after Craig White had to fly home with a side injury.

#### MATCH ANALYSIS

### End of speculations

By Tawfiq Aziz Khan

Over the years it had proved right. Take the case of West Indies vs Kenya. Could anyone in his wildest imagination think that Kenya would beat the giants?

West Indies had fallen in bad days and they are looked down with sympathy. But Simpson sounded the note of warning on time. The wounded tigers fought back

It was not only a simple win

but a day of great jubilation as Brian Lara, Jimmy Adams and Richardson himself found their touch. Focus was on Lara's form. The world recordholder was recently far from his usual self. Richardson was having a miserable time. He was not only out of touch but came in for very sharp criticism about his leadership qualities and his poor form. But even the bitterest of his enemies or critics would give him full marks the way he handled his team and played his unbeaten inning. Jimmy Adams, until the other day the number one batsman in the world according to computer. drifted into oblivion. This talented cricketer set a personal record in this World Cup by batting, fielding, wicket-keeping and even bowling. Was there anything more that can be expected of a cricketer? But the West Indies must be lamenting over their decision to omit another very useful and experienced player - Phil Simmons. The guy could bat and bowl and was a tremendous fielder. Certainly he could not have done worse than Sherwin Campbell, even if he

The Australians seemed to be extra-cautious in the morning. Both Taylor and Waugh failed to take advantage of a good toss. But credit must also be given to Ambrose and Walsh for accurate bowling.

Ricky Ponting, stepping into the shoes of that illustrious Tasmanian David Boon at number three, held the Australians together and hit his maiden World Cup hundred. He was unlucky to have missed his maiden Test hundred (DDCA) can count themselves against Sri Lanka this season by only 4 runs. While Steve Waugh flourished with the bat



JIMMY ADAMS

Mark Waugh must have been very happy to have taken wickets with his 'donkey drops.' Once again it was hearten-

ing to see a group of spectators holding aloft the Bangladeshi flag in a far away place like Jaipur. How much we all wish we were there too.

### Your stars and your stars

wanted to.



The number 12 is historically significant - the 12 labours of Hercules, the 12 tribes of Israel, the 12 knights of King Arthur's round table and so on .... Today, we have 12 teams playing in the Wills

World Cup 1996. According to Linda Goodman, author of "Love Signs" a best seller on Zodiac interpretations, the twelve initiations of cricket would be:

Aries - the infant; is all about the birth of the one-day game and the shaping of its character and destiny.

Tauras - the baby; crawling into a seemingly hostile world. in need of guidance. Where better to get, it than from the guardians with the big safe

Gemini - the child; prowling the uncertain corridors of life, flinging itself at . everything. Epitomising the unstoppable exuberance of the modern day fielder.

Cancer - the adolescent; at a critical point in life going through puberty and other such twists and turns that spinners are extremely familiar with.

Leo - the teenager; blossoming in lifet full of energy and exuberance, ready to face life with the vitality of the flery fast bowler.

Virgo - the adult, sobering up with a sense of maturity to deal with life with the dedication and solidity of a middle order batsman.

Libra - marriage: with the right balance only possible

Sports Reporter the kind crafted by great

opening batsmen. Scorpio - sexual desire and fulfillment, experiencing life at its fullest with the burning desire and versatility found only in today's all-rounders.

Sagittarius - knowledge: with age comes a wealth of information and increased wisdom, all essential for one who is to be a leader of men, or a captain of the side.

Capricorn - experience: with life having progressed thus far, a time comes to relive experiences. To look back at those memorable great

matches. Aquarius - ideals: no journey through life would be complete without idealistic day-dreaming or speculation. The kind that gives rise to a dream team.

Pisces - submission; finally when time comes to submit to the inevitability of fate, it is those vital memorabilia and statistics that stick with us.

Now, how would you like to know with which great cricket you share your zodiac sign?

Here it is! check it out! Aries: David Gower, Manot Prabhakar, Mike Atherton, Salim Malik, Craig McDermott, Malcolm Marshall, Dean Jones, Paul Reiffel, Dilip

Vengsarkar. Taurus: Sachin Tendulkar. Brian Lara, lan Healy, Mike Brearly. Gordon . Greenidge. Andy Flower, Peter Kirsten. Michael Bevan.

Gemini: Asif Iqbal, Mark Waugh, Steve Waugh, Javed Miandad, Mike Gatting, Ravi Shastri, Wasim Akram. Graeme Hick, Chris Cairns, Rohan Mahanama, Allan Lamb, Jeff Dujon.

Cancer: Sunti Gavaskar from the perfect partnership. Dennis Lillee, Venkatapathy

Richard Hadlee, Bob Taylor. Rameez Raja. Mushtaq Ahmed, Roger Binny, Sanath Jayasuriya.

Leo: Allan Border, Graham Gooch, Zaheer Abbas, Jeff Thomson, Jonty Rhodes, Greg Chappell. John Emburey, Jack

Virgo: Shane Warne, Clive Lloyd, Abdul Qadir, Kepler Wessels, Curtly Ambrose, Saeed Anwar, Javagal Srinath, Derek Pringle, Asanka Gurus-

Smith.

Cairns, Martin Crowe, Geoff Boycott, Bishen Singh Bedi, Mohinder Amarnath, Allan Donald, Anil Kumble, Aravinda De Silva, Majid Khan.

Chris Harris, Lee Germon.

Sagittarius: Ian Botham, Imran Khan, Nayan Mongia, Mark Greatbach, Joel Garner, Arjuna Ranatunga, Carl Hooper, Sarfaraz Nawaz, Romesh Kaluwith-

arana. Srikkanth, Waqar Younis, Syed Kirmani, Richie Richardson,

Haynes, Andy Roberts, Michael Holding, Kim Hughes, Chris

Lewis, Shane Thomson. Pisces: Vivian Richards. Ohiz Gibson, Inzaman-ul-Haq.

It may be interesting to see

### A close call!

NEW DELHI, Mar 4: The top floor of the unfinished pavilion at last Saturday's World Cup match in New Delhi shook when fans got excited and cricket officials were lucky there was no disaster, the Pioneer newspaper reported today, reports Reuter.

The pavilion was used for the India-Sri Lanka match despite a notice from Indian authorities that the structure was unsafe. Cricket officials insisted there was no problem at all, saying they had got a certificate from the Indian Institute of Technology that it

"The officials of the Delhi District Cricket Association lucky ... the newly constructed upper tier managed to hold firm despite warnings issued by the municipal corporation. said the Pioneer.

"But those who were on the tier would testify that it was a close shave as the structure shook discernibly on a couple of occasions when the crowd got a bit too excited. "In the event the DDCA can

thank its stars that nothing untoward transpired."

### WC STANDINGS

ISLAMABAD, Mar 4 (AFP): World Cup standings after Monday's Group A match between Australia and West Indies at Jaipur (tabulate under played, won, lost, points, net run-ratel: W L Pts Run-rate

Zimbabwe 4 (\*Sri Lanka awarded two

-points each against Australia and the West Indies after they forfeited their matches in Colombo

South Africa 4 - 4 -1.61 (The net run-rate is deter-

mined by the following process: The overall run-rate (per over) of the losing side is deducted from the overall runrate (per over) of the winning side. The figure that transpires is the net run-rate of the match, (+) for the winning side. (-) for the losers.

In the event of a team being all out before their full quota of overs, the run-rate is then calculated on the basis of the allotted overs. For example if a team is dismissed for 200 in 40 overs of a 50 overs-a-side match, their runs per over will be determined by dividing 200 by 50.)

#### Int'l Masters' chess Zia takes solo lead

Sports Reporter Runner-up last year fM Zi-

aur Rahman of Biman earned a solo lead in the third United Insurance International Masters' chess tournament when he defeated Ziaul Kader Tuhin of Ansars in their seventh round encounter at the NSC chessroom yesterday. In a Sicilian defensive

game, Zia, playing with black pieces, checkmated Tuhin after 41 moves. With the win, Zia earned

six points from seven matches and went atop the standings with half a point lead over defending champion IM Mahmood Lodhi of Pakistan who drew his encounter with Abdullah Al Rakib of Mohammedan Sporting Club.

Rakib now shares the third spot along with IM Varges Koshi of India and Arifuzzaman Sikdar of Ansar who all have equal five points to their ac-

In the day's other clashes, Mizanur Rahman Labu defeated Saifuddin Lovelu of BTMC. Saidul Islam of Barguna DSA beat Tayebur Rahman Sumon. Adnan Faisal outplayed Ruhul Kuddus, Ali Amjad Mintu outmastered Arun Chandra and Mahfuzur Rahman Imon outgunned Amir Hossain.

The eighth round of the meet-will begin this afternoon

#### England to tour Pakistan in the **year 2000**

KARACHI, Mar 4: England will tour Pakistan from October to December 2000 in what will be their first Test playing trip to the country in 13 years. reports Reuter.

The tour, which is likely to include four Tests, was announced late Sunday by the Pakistan Cricket Board chief executive Arif Abbast. "We are pleased to be play-

ing England again at home after a long break and we are looking forward to them coming here," he said.



### ROQUIBUL ON THE ROCKER

### Welcome back Windies



West Indians enabled them to regain some of their cricketing prides when they handed favourites Australia a fourwicket defeat in Jaipur yester-The victory not only con-

firmed the Caribbeans a berth in the last eight, but in my opinion, it was a great relief for skipper Richie Richardson who has been going through severe criticisms for his team's poor performances in the rewill come to this point later on, now let me start with

as the saying goes "morning shows the day" the West Indians who suffered a humillating defeat at the hands of minnows Kenya in their previous match, began on a right footing as their pace batteries vindicated Aussie captain Mark Taylor decision to bat first on an unpredictable pitch offering uneven bounces through out the day.

Curtly Ambrose and Courtney Walsh gave their captain the first hope for a much needed victory with their

accurate and lethal deliveries which almost pinned down the Australian openers - only 13 came from the first ten overs.

Things did not go much worse for the Australians due to their refulgent batsman Ricky Ponting and Steve Waugh who shared 109-run in 19 overs for the third wicket and took the score to 194 before the latter was deceived by a slow off-cutter from Walsh.

Hats off to Ponting for his second one-day century yesterday in his 20th appearance, and Steve Waugh who not only played good innings but also helped their side for a respectable total even after such a poor start.

Among the Caribbean pacers. Ambrose once again proved his consistency. The tall right-arm fast bowler bowled exactly the way one should do in one-day matches - only 25 runs from his ten overs which yielded four maidens. His first spell was absolutely devastating when in his eight overs he allowed the Aussies to collect only ten runs. A reflection of a captains expectation indeed. The target, 230 to win, was

not that big. But considering the present form of the West Indian batsmen and the poor a row and I am sure the pitch condition, it seemed the Caribbeans would lose once ties to do that.

again. What they needed was a sound opening and some good knocks from their two most experienced batsmen Richard-

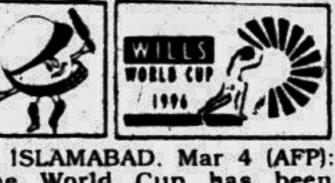
son and great Brian Lara. Richardson and Lara didn't fail this time. They added 87 runs for the third wicket which brought the West Indians back in the match

after jumpy start. Lara chipped in with 60. But his departure sparked a mini collapse with the West Indies losing more two quick wickets. However, captain Richardson, for whom it a personal crusade, and left handed Jimmy Adams took their side home without any further mishaps. A victory, nay, a morale boosting tonic that may change the whole complexion of their otherwise disastrous

campaign. It was nice to see the West Indian skipper finally getting into his stride.

At the end what I want to say is what ever has happened the West Indians should forget now a concentrate on their future. For them there are still plenty of chances left to win. the World Cup. Only things, they shall have to accomplish now is to win three matches in Caribbeans have the capabili-

## Disappointing all-doers



The World Cup has been treated to a series of superlative head-to-heads.

The spinners have bewitched, the pacemen, led by Pakistan's Wagar Younis, delighted. The batsmen, with Sachin Tendulkar and Mark Waugh scaling unprecedented heights, have startled.

The battle of the allrounders, however, has failed to live up to the legend. No single figure has emerged to capture the World Cup imagination. The crown of

Imran Khan, Kapil Dev, Ian

Botham and Sir Richard

Hadlee, it seems, will remain dusty and unclaimed. There is still time, of

course, for Wasim Akram of Pakistan, Steve Waugh of Australia and Brian McMillan to change that.

Going into the tournament,

the South African - appropriately, the owner of a dog named Beefy - boasted the best and perhaps the only genuine credentials. McMillan is the only man to appear in the top 20 world

batting and bowling. His pace bowling would not discredit the first overs of a Test match, while he is quite capable of batting at number three in either form of the

computer rankings for both

game. Pakistan skipper Wasim, in contrast, is primarily a fine left-arm pace bowler, his stylish crash-bang-wallop batting a bonus. Waugh is now an out-and-out batsman, whose mounting success has left his useful medium-pace seamers.

curtailed by a shoulder injury, in the shade.

To date, the trio have failed to set the world on fire. McMillan's bowling has been a key South African weapon, slowing down opposition charges. There have only been four wickets, three of them for 11 against the Emirates, but he has constantly threatened while conceding under three runs an over.

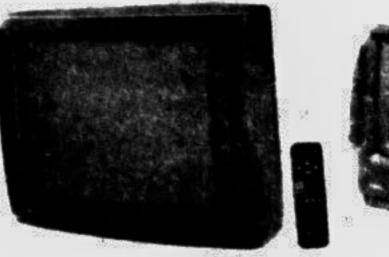
for a useful 32 not out against the South Africans. His bowling, however, has yet to convince, with only three wickets. - two against the Emirates and costing over four an over. None of the all-rounders.

Wasim has only had one bat

significantly, has earned a ·man-of-the-match award McMillan probably deserves the first-round honours by virtue of his exceptional catching at slip.



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#### The first "duck" in the World Cup was by E D Solkar A Knott 2 - In the WC, the first over was bowled by M Lal J Snow In the 1975 WC, the Sri Lankans were led by B Tannekoon in 1979 WC, the playing Chappell was The spinner who won two M-o-M awards in the 1983 WC was D Underwood A Qadir 6 Australia won the 1987 World Cup beating England in the linal by 17 runs 27 runs The maximum wides and no-balls bowled in the 1992 WC was by A Donald W Akram W Benjamin . ..AGE: I'ATHER'S NAME..... OCCUPATION :.....DATE:

Read the information and rules carefully. Tick (V) the correct answer.

Write with a ball point pen in clear Block letters. Cut along the dotted lines and mail to or drop in the Quiz Box in The Daily Star. Send as many entries as you like.

#### Mercury now going up Miandad was duly prohere, no ordinary player. After moted up the order, came in rumours of team dissension

KARACHI, Mar 4: Pakistan face a gruelling World Cup quarterfinal visit to India ... yet skipper Wasim Akram has found 32,000 reasons to feel Cups. relieved, report agencies. An away tie - Pakistan's first visit to their neighbours

high tension between the countries - will test the defending champions nerve to the full. But it will at least take the pressure of home expectation

since 1989 after a period of

off Wasim's shoulders. That pressure reached fever pitch against England on Sunday, when a fanatical 32,000 crowd spent the day chanting incessantly, not for the team, but for local favourite Javed Miandad

just before the end and helped Pakistan home by seven wickets. He came off the pitch, was mobbed, handed a national flag and immediately given 600,000 rupees (17,000 dollars) for his unprecedented feat of playing in all six World

You would have thought the 38-year-old veteran, back after a two-year self-imposed international exile, had scored a century off 25 deliveries in the

Actually, he made a horribly mistimed 11, should have been run out for a duck and was dropped off a simple caughtand bowled chance.

If current form were, the only benchmark, Miandad would go straight back to number six - or beyond - for the next game. But Wasim knows he has a

national legend to deal with

over Miandad's role within the team, it would take a brave. perhaps reckless man to suggest the Karachi player take a back seat again.

crowds, fired up not only by' the ericket but by recent border tensions between the countries as well. Similar tensions caused Pakistan's tours of India in 1992 and 1993 to be can-

"We're not worried about going to India. The team is relaxed and feeling confident." Akram told reporters after his team's seven-wicket win against England.

inha. Neil Fairbrother, Robin Libra: Navjot Sidhu, Lance

Scorpio: Dipak Patel, Rodney Marsh. Ken Rutherford. Mark Taylor, Courtney Walsh,

Capricorn: David Boon. Kapil Dev. Krishnamachari

Vinod Kambli, Jimmy Adams, Basit Ali. Aquartus: Mohammad Azharuddin, Danny Morrison. Gundappa Vishwanath, Adam Parore, Ajay Jadeja. Desmond

Mohsin Khan. Roger Harper. Derek Randall, Phil Edmonds. Devon Malcolm

which "star teams" would win if ever there was a clash be-

If Pakistan, as expected, take on India in Bangalore on March 9, they will face the most hostile and committed of

celled. Wasim Akram, however, said on Sunday he was confident about the prospect of playing away to India.

of 3 pm.