

Danish Div I soccer Rahmatganj show no mercy

Sports Reporter

Striker Rustom Ali scored a hat-trick as title aspirants Rahmatganj Muslim Friends Society outplayed Dhamondi Club by five goals to nil in a Danish First Division football league encounter at the Mirpur Stadium yesterday.

In an one-sided affair, Rustom, the young booter from Khulna, who appeared in his second match for the old Dhaka outfit yesterday, scored four goals in the 4th, 32nd, 44th and 75th minute while Babu Zaman added the other goal to the winners' account.

With the win, Rahmatganj raised their tally to 23 points on completion of 15 matches which keep them second in the ten-team league table with Victoria Sporting Club in the lead having 27 points. On the other hand, Dhamondi have 18 points from as many matches.

BADDA MOVE TO THIRD

In the day's other match at the Army Stadium, Badda Jagarani Sangsad recorded a solitary goal win over Mirpur Chalantika Sporting Club.

Forward Bashir netted the all-important match-winner in the 60th minute.

With yesterday's win, Badda moved to third position having 21 points from 15 matches while Chalantika have 20 points from as many outings.

ACME-BBSF snooker

Boteju keeps going

Susantha Boteju of Sri Lanka kept his winning spree beating U San Myint of Myanmar 4-0 (42-74, 52-13, 17-61, 63-31, 85-76 and 65-27) in the second day's match of the ACME-BBSF President Cup snooker championship at the Gulshan Club Billiards Room yesterday, says a press release.

In the other match of the first session Kwan Poomjai of Thailand had an easy 4-0 (56-38, 69-14, 90-28 and 105-2) against U Aung San Oo of Myanmar with a break of 53 in the second frame.

In the second session Saleh Mohammad of Pakistan thrashed U Win Myint of Myanmar 4-0 (80-1, 76-28, 54-20 and 78-7) while U Kyi Soe of Myanmar got walkover against Mohammad L Yusuf of Pakistan.

Farhan Mirza of Pakistan and his compatriot Mohammad Shafiq had easy 4-0 win against Adrian Gonsalves and Anwar Hossain both from Bangladesh.

Earlier in Sunday's last session, Farhan Mirza won comfortably 4-1 (59-66, 84-15, 90-25, 86-18 & 78-39) against U Aung San Oo of Myanmar.

The league matches start from 10 am on Tuesday at Gulshan Club.

First step to a sport!

NAIROBI, Dec. 2: Somalia whose players had only one bat to practice with were kitted out by their Kenyan hosts when they appeared in their first international competition for five years at the African table tennis championships here to day, reports AFP.

"Since we don't have a government, our trip was made possible by personal donations from individuals," head of delegation Abdirkadir Gaddaay said.

"But we are very happy to compete international although we do not have enough equipment in Mogadishu. If the Kenyan hosts did not provide us with free accommodation and transport, we would be begging for it."

Training in the Somali capital, Mogadishu, was not easy due to lack of facilities, but the warring factions do not have any quarrel with sports people.

Anybody wearing a track suit is allowed free movement by the soldiers. I hope peace will be restored in our country soon to enable us and the other eight associations affiliated to the Somali Olympic Committee to take part in active international competitions," Gaddaay added.

Not unexpectedly, Somalia started the tournament which had attracted 11 countries, by losing to Kenya and Egypt 3-0 respectively.

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