



New South Wales Premier Bob Carr holds the first Sydney 2000 Olympic Games T-shirt in Sydney on Dec 12. That very shirt will be sent to the International Olympic Committee for the Olympic Museum in Switzerland. —AFP/UNB photo

India's home record runs on

KANPUR, India, Dec 12: India extended its impressive home record here today by clinching the third Test and the series against South Africa that failed to live up to their reputation, reports AFP.

Sachin Tendulkar's side wrapped up the game by a massive 280 runs and the three-Test series 2-1 as the tourists' batting caved in again, bowled out for a paltry 180.

The victory gave the home team their 16th win in their last 24 matches on Indian territory, continuing a remarkable record that has seen them undefeated in home series since 1986-87.

South Africa, who were dismissed for 177 in their first innings, also made history today, by going down to their first series defeat since returning to international cricket in 1991.

A dejected South African skipper Hansie Cronje conceded India had been the better side but added: "Unfortunately we weren't up to it."

"They used the conditions better than us. We were bowled out cheaply twice but it was not a 177 or 180 wicket. It's just disappointing that we didn't put up much of a fight towards the end."

His side, reputed to be among the grittiest cricketers in the world, continued lamb-like to the slaughter after the top-order had slumped disastrously to 127 for five in Wednesday.

With no chance of getting close to the 461-run victory target, survival was the only hope. But all-rounder Brian McMillan was already heading back to the pavilion in Sunil Joshi's first over, with no change to the score, after his top-edged sweep off left-arm Sunil Joshi was brilliantly caught by VS Laxman, running back at short square leg.

Dave Richardson was then trapped low on the back foot by an excellent Javagal Srinath in Swinger to make it 138 for seven.

Lance Klusener, in only his second Test, provided the only pocket of resistance. The all-rounder cracked Srinath for a series of boundaries.

Pat Symcox added a straight six off Anil Kumble before offering Joshi a soft return catch. Panine de Villiers opted instead for dogged defence to reach lunch but he and Paul Adams both fell within one run and seven balls of the break, to leave Klusener stranded on 34 not out.

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Indian performance. The tourists, who levelled the series in Calcutta with a 329-run victory, had been unhappy with the first Test pitch at Ahmedabad. Cronje branding it "a waste of time."

The Kanpur pitch, too, was tailor-made to suit the home side.

Wrist-spinner Paul Adams took a career-best six for 55 in the first innings but, despite two more in the second, went for more than four runs an over, while off-spinner Pat Symcox took one wicket for 158 during the game.

The Indian battery of spinners, in contrast, always dominated the bat, acting as the perfect foil for Srinath, who took three wickets in each innings in Kanpur and ended the series

with 17 wickets. Azharuddin, however, beat him to the man-of-the-match and man-of-the-series award. He scored 388 runs in all at an average of 77.

India, who beat South Africa in the final of a one-day triangular series including Australia last month, take on the tourists in a one-off limited-over game on Saturday.

They then set off for a five-month tour including a return three-Test series in South Africa and five-Test series in West Indies.

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UNDEFEATED YEARS

The India cricket team's home record since 1986: Since the defeat against Pakistan in 1986-87, India are unbeaten in home series. They have won four series, drawn two and won three one-off Tests, in all winning 16 matches, losing four and drawing four out of 24.

1986/87: Lost to Pakistan 1-0 (5 Test series). 1988: Drew with West Indies 1-1 (3 Tests). 1989: Beat New Zealand 2-1 (3 Tests). 1990: Beat Sri Lanka 1-0 (one-off Test). 1993: Beat England 3-0 (3 Tests). 1993: Beat Zimbabwe 1-0 (one-off Test). 1993/94: Beat Sri Lanka 3-0 (3 Tests). 1995: Drew with West Indies 1-1 (3 Tests). 1995: Beat New Zealand 1-0 (3 Tests). 1996: Beat Australia 1-0 (one-off Tests). 1996: Beat South Africa 2-1 (three Tests).

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Sports Reporter

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Azad Sporting Club recorded their second successive victory in the First Division cricket league when they handed Dhaka Wanderers Club a 16-run defeat at the City Club ground at Mirpur yesterday.

Put into bat first, Azad, who beat Eskaton Sabuj Sangha in their previous match, piled up 211 in nine in their stipulated 45 overs with Pakistani batsman Rais Ahmed hammering highest 59 off 57 balls. Nasim was the other notable bat for Azad with an unbeaten 44.

Ripon and Sentoo claimed two wickets each conceding 36 and 41 runs respectively. In reply, Wanderers were all out for 195 in 43.3 overs. Their Pakistani middle-order recruit Sagor Abbas scored 43 while Ehsan and Sentoo added 28 runs each.

Rais Ahmed and Biplob captured two wickets each for the winners.

Hick in Gooch's good books

LONDON, Dec 12: England selector Graham Gooch on Wednesday tipped a Test recall for Graeme Hick ahead of next year's Ashes Series against Australia, reports Reuter.

Hick has been omitted for the winter tours of Zimbabwe and New Zealand after a lean 1996 season.

But Gooch, one of the favourites to replace chairman of selectors Ray Illingworth next March, said Hick's best years were still ahead of him.

"I think people who are saying that's his lot 'at Test level and he won't be able to get back are being a little foolish," said the former England captain. "He is still only 30 and the best years of his career are probably still to materialise."

"His record is quite exceptional. He still has so much to play for an I would certainly expect him to come bouncing back."

Gough gives a reminder

BULAWAYO, Zimbabwe, Dec 12: Darren Gough staked his claim to open England's attack in next week's first Test against Zimbabwe with a five-wicket haul against Matabeleland on Wednesday, reports Reuter.

Gough's five for 62 put England in command as Matabeleland were reduced to 181 for nine on the second day of their four-day game in reply to the touring team's 334.

Gough bowled three fiery spells and took wickets each time. Phil Tufnell and Andy Caddick shared the other four wickets.

The only Matabeleland batsman to proper was wicketkeeper Wayne James but he needed plenty of luck to score 62 before falling caught and bowled to Tufnell. He hit 11 boundaries in his 113-ball stay.

Earlier, England's batsmen squandered the previous day's good work, adding just 135 runs for their last seven wickets.

Resuming at 199 for three, England were dismissed shortly after lunch for 334. Nick Knight, 100 not out overnight, added just 14 before he was caught at second slip of John Rennie. His 208-ball innings included 16 fours.

John Crawley hit nine boundaries before he was caught by James off Heath Streak for 63.

Pakistan's tour opener today



ADELAIDE, Dec 12: Demand for one-day cricket had robbed the international scene of players with enough skill to play out a full five days of Test cricket, Pakistan coach Mushtaq Mohammad said here today, report agencies.

He said drawn Test matches were now unusual because players lacked class and did not have the temperament for the long version of the game.

"Too much one-day cricket really doesn't produce quality players and is one of the reasons why so many Test matches are finishing in four days," Mushtaq said.

"There's too much one-day cricket. You develop bad habits, you're trying to score runs all the time and occupation of the crease is no longer there."

He said very few, if any, players in the world could now bat through two sessions of Test cricket, which Mushtaq said was the only way to make the classic century in the style of players like Australian great Greg Chappell.

Mushtaq's comments come days before Pakistan's opening match of the triangular one-day World Series against Australia and the West Indies.

The young Pakistan team, which arrived here Wednesday without injured senior batsman Salim Malik takes on Australia here on Sunday and will live up to its reputation of fielding a team with players barely past school leaving age.

Mushtaq said his country

would continue to pick teenagers for its national side claiming other countries took too long to play their promising youngsters at the top level.

"They burn out. If they find the talent is there, the potential is there, and if there is an opening in the team, they should put them in."

As a 15-year-old in 1958 Mushtaq became the youngest Test player, finally having his record broken early this year when he selected 14-year-old Hasan Raza to make his Test debut in the series against Zimbabwe.

Pakistan has left Raza out of the touring 14-man squad.

"We played him at the right time and in the right place," Mushtaq said.

"He's okay, but I don't think he's ready for Australia."

Pakistan included Shahid Afridi, the teenage batting sensation who hit 100 from 37 balls against Sri Lanka in October, and 20-year-old fast bowler Mohammad Zahid, who took 11 wickets (including a world record eight lbs) in his Test debut against New Zealand two weeks ago.

Pakistan plays a one-day match against the Australian Cricket Academy here Friday.

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Academy to recover from the country's recent hectic playing schedule.

STEVE INCLUDED
Meanwhile, Australia today recalled all-rounder Steve Waugh for the World Series match against Pakistan in Adelaide after he recovered from injury.

Waugh made an immediate return to the side and will replace fellow all-rounder Stuart Law at Adelaide Oval on Sunday in the third match of the triangular tournament.

Waugh injured his groin while bowling during the first Test against West Indies in Brisbane in late November, forcing him to miss the second Test in Sydney and two World Series matches.

Australia, who lead West Indies 2-0 in the five-match Test series, won their opening two World Series fixtures against the same opponents last week-end.

TEAMS
AUSTRALIA: Mark Taylor (captain), Ian Healy, Michael Bevan, Greg Blewett, Jason Gillespie, Glenn McGrath, Tom Moody, Ricky Ponting, Paul Reffel, Shane Warne, Mark Waugh, Steve Waugh (12th man to be named).

PAKISTAN: Saeed Anwar, Ijaz Ahmed, Inzamamul Haq, Mohammad Wasim, Mohammad Zahid, Moim Khan, Mushtaq Ahmed, Amir Sohail, Saqlain Mushtaq, Shahid Afridi, Shahid Nazir, Zahoor Elahi, Wasim Akram, Waqar Younis.

Moscow awarded '98 GP final

MONTE CARLO, Monaco, Dec 12: Track's world governing body said Wednesday it would hold its 1998 Grand Prix final in Moscow, and picked Mashaishi, Japan, as the site for its 1999 World Indoor Championships, reports AP.

Moscow was picked over Helsinki, Finland, and Mashaishi was picked ahead of Lisbon, Portugal, the IAAF said.

Palma de Mallorca, Spain, withdrew as a candidate for the 1998 Grand Prix final before the vote was taken.

The IAAF also said the site for the 1999 World Championships would be decided March 20-21 at an IAAF council meeting in Turin, Italy. The candidates are Helsinki, New Delhi, India, Seville, Spain, and Stanford University in the United States.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Office of the Executive Engineer
Facilities Department, Ministry of Education
Noakhali Zone, Noakhali

Tender Notice

Tender Notice No: 10/PSS/ADB/Tubewell/FD/NZ/96-97 Dated 27.11.96
Tenders under sealed cover are hereby invited in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 from Facilities Department enlisted A-1 and A-2 category contractors experienced in tubewell installation for installing two tubewells in each selected educational institution under Private Secondary Education Development (ADB) Project to install tubewell at each educational institution.

Gr No	Name of thana	Name of educational institution	Estimated cost (Taka)	Earnest money (Taka)	Price of tender schedule (Taka)	Time limit for completion of work
36)	Noakhali Sadar	1) Brother Andre High School 2) Mohabbatpur Girls' High School 3) Hannarayanpur High School 4) Thanarhat Dakhil Madrasa	43,088/-	900/-	400/-	2 (two) months
37)	Begumganj	1) Sultanpur Hanif Bhuiyan High School 2) Baluchara Hosainia Dakhil Madrasa 3) Mirwarishpur Girls' High School 4) Bazra Multipurpose High School 5) Thanarhat High School 6) Pitambarpur High School	64,632/-	1,300/-	400/-	2 (two) months
38)	Chatkhil	1) Saptagaon Ideal High School 2) Islampur Hosainia Dakhil Madrasa 3) Singbahura Girls' High School 4) Jibannagar High School 5) Mohammadpur Janata High School	64,632/-	1,300/-	400/-	2 (two) months
39)	Senbagh	1) Sompura High School 2) Chhatrapaia High School 3) Kutubnath Dakhil Madrasa 4) Kankirhat Girls' High School 5) Bibag N K High School 6) Muchnapur High School	43,088/-	900/-	400/-	2 (two) months
40)	Companyganj	1) Rangmala Ideal High School 2) Rangmala Darunnechha Model Dakhil Madrasa 3) Achhia Carman Girls' High School	43,088/-	900/-	400/-	2 (two) months
41)	Hatia	1) Hatia A M High School 2) Charking Mohamadia Dakhil Madrasa 3) Charking Girls' High School 4) Char Iswarai Atazia High School	43,088/-	900/-	400/-	2 (two) months
42)	Feni Sadar	1) Sanua High School 2) Tyabia Nuria Dakhil Madrasa 3) Begum Samsunnahar Girls' High School 4) Sheikh Mujibul Haq High School 5) Fazilpur Farhadnagar Zinnah High School 6) Izatpur High School	64,632/-	1,300/-	400/-	2 (two) months
43)	Chhagalainya	1) Dakshin Sater Nadirkul High School 2) Mirzar Bazar Islamia Dakhil Madrasa 3) Habibullah Khan Girls' High School 4) Haripur Ali Akbar High School 5) Madhugram High School 6) Pathannagar Nurul Haq High School	64,632/-	1,300/-	400/-	2 (two) months
44)	Parshuram	1) Khandal Islamia Dakhil Madrasa 2) Dakshin Sripur Iskandaria Dakhil Madrasa 3) Parshuram Pilot High School 4) Natunbazar High School 5) Hasanpur Shah Alam Chowdhury High School	64,632/-	1,300/-	400/-	2 (two) months
45)	Daganbhuyan	1) Purba Chandrapur High School 2) Gajana Samsul Haq Sadar Uddin Dakhil Madrasa 3) Zahanara Girls' High School 4) Fazlier Ghat High School 5) Momanshpur High School 6) Sapda High School	64,632/-	1,300/-	400/-	2 (two) months
46)	Sonagazi	1) Osmania High School 2) Nazirpur Islamia Dakhil Madrasa 3) Sonagazi Haji M.S. Haq High School 4) Sonagazi Girls' High School	43,088/-	900/-	400/-	2 (two) months

a) Date & time of purchasing tender document: 22/12/96 during office hours.
b) Last date & time of receiving tender document: 24/12/96 up to 12:00 Noon.
c) Date & time of opening tender document: 24/12/96 at 12:30 PM in presence of the tenderers (if any present).

Tender document will be available at the office of the undersigned and offices of the Executive Engineers of the zones under Chittagong Circle Office and office of the Assistant Engineer of Feni district under this zone during office hours on all working days and will be received at the offices mentioned above up to the prescribed date and time.

Earnest money must be submitted with the tender document in Bank Draft/ Pay Order from any scheduled bank of Bangladesh in favour of the "Executive Engineer, Facilities Department, Noakhali Zone, Noakhali".

Instructions to contractors:
1) VAT & Income Tax will be deducted from bill as per government rules.
2) Tender will be treated as canceled if the rate quoted by tenderer/ firm is more than 5% (five percent) below the estimated cost.
3) Contractors who have submitted renewal fees/applied for renewal for 1996-97 financial year can purchase the tender document on production of the original register necessary papers regarding VAT & Income Tax. And the said papers should be submitted with the tender.
4) Bills will be paid only subject to receiving allotment. Contractor will be bound to complete the work in absence of allotment.
5) Contractors will not be given any financial benefit if one or any work at any educational institution is not executed under any circumstance.
6) Bill for tubewell installation work will not be paid until the work of tubewell is finished and handed over to the school authorities.
7) In the interest of completing the work in time, no one firm/contractor can be given work of more than one group.
8) If more than one contractor quote equal rate for the same group, then decision on the work of the said group will be delivered from the head office on the basis of past experience of the contractors. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason.

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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Office of the Executive Engineer
Pirojpur Public Works Division, Pirojpur

Tender Notice

No. 36/1996-97

- Name of work: Under the project "Establishment of Fire Service & Civil Defence Station at 32 important Thana Sadars/ places in Bangladesh, 1 (one) at Bhandana of Pirojpur district. Sub-head: Construction of Type-B-5 Fire Station Building, Year 1996-97.
- Estimated cost: Tk 30,46,226/=
- Earnest money: Tk 60,925/=
- Last date of selling tender: 17-12-96 up to office hours.
- Date of receiving tender & time of opening: 18-12-96 up to 12:00 Noon and opened on the same day at 12:15 minutes (in presence of interested contractors).
- Tender Form, schedule etc. to be had at: All Divisions of Public Works Directorate Circle, Barisal & Khulna Public Works Division-1/2.
- Eligibility of contractor: Public Works Directorate enlisted special first class & first class building contractors.
- In case more than one tender quoting the lowest rate are received, then the lowest tenderer will be decided through lottery on 31-12-96 at 11:00 AM in the office Chamber of the undersigned.
N. B. Other information are given in the tender.

Md. Lokman Hakim Mallick
Executive Engineer
Public Works Division
Pirojpur

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What is the bottom line of fat burning? It's better to be awake than asleep. It's better to sit than to lie down. It's better to stand than to sit. It's better to walk than to stand. It's better to walk fast than to walk slow. It's better to sustain an activity for a longer period of time than for a shorter period of time. But in any case it's better to do something than to do nothing. The fact is, and always was, the more activity that you are involved in a given day, the more fat you will burn.

A WORD ABOUT CALORIES AND FAT
As most of you already know by now, for every 3,500 calories that are in "deficit" in your body, your body must use up one pound of stored fat for energy in order to function. So the more calories you burn, of course, the more fat you burn.

HOW MUCH AEROBICS SHOULD YOU DO?
If you have the time, the ideal amount of aerobic activity is three to six 20- to 30-minute sessions per week. If you are bound and determined to lose all excess fat, you can perform an aerobic activity for ten days straight — and then you really should take a day off.

As always warm up properly & stretch at your own pace, use your imagination & stretch, eventually you will reach the maximum level.

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