

Bulawayo Test heads a draw

BULAWAYO, Zimbabwe, Dec 21: Zimbabwe, 30 behind England on first innings, were 107 for five at the close on the fourth day of the first Test at Queen's Club today, report agencies.

Earlier, England were all out for 406 in the afternoon with a lead of 30 on the hosts' first innings.

And within four overs Zimbabwe were staggering after the loss of both their openers. The out-of-sorts Stuart Carlisle, who failed to score in the first innings, just made four before giving a soft catch to Mike Atherton off Allan Mullally.

Then Grant Flower padded up to Darren Gough. Umpire Ian Robinson judged the ball would have hit the off bail and Flower was gone for naught.

Lebanon earn the right

ABU DHABI, Dec 21: Lebanon, firmly backed by Saudi Arabia, won the right to host the 2000 Asian Cup here on Saturday, reports AFP.

China, the only opponent to Lebanon after South Korea and Malaysia pulled out, won only two votes from the Asian Football Confederation (AFC) executive committee, according to sources at the meeting. Lebanon are believed to have won all of the remaining 14 votes.

Lebanon's victory means 2000 will be the first time that the cup, the showcase of Asian football, has not alternated between west and east Asia.

Kelly being optimistic

LONDON, Dec 21: The Football Association's chief executive Graham Kelly said Friday he was confident England would win their bid to host the 2006 World Cup, despite tough competition, reports AFP.

"We have a very good chance indeed," said Kelly.

Speaking on BBC television, Kelly admitted England faced tough competition, particularly from European champions Germany, but he said he believed last summer's success in hosting Euro '96 would help tip the balance in its favour.

"We are very confident we have a very strong bid. We have shown our capabilities in 1996, now we are looking to pursue the bid with a great deal of confidence."

"We are talking to people all the time, making friends, we have the backing of the government, the sports council, the major clubs and of course this week the announcement about the new National Stadium at Wembley."

"It will be a state-of-the-art modern stadium for the next century," he said of the multi-million project to redesign the famous old stadium and adapt it to the needs of other sports as well as football.

Noting Germany's wish to be considered for the 2006 show-down, Kelly said: "The Germans are very powerful on and off the pitch, so we look forward to maintaining our keen rivalry with them."

England last hosted the World Cup back in 1966, when they won the event for the only time beating Germany in extra time in the final.

Ban on pistol at pools

LONDON, Dec 21: The Amateur Swimming Federation of Great Britain has decided to ban starting pistols from swimming competitions. The Times reported today, reports AFP.

The federation considers that the pistols, which fire blanks, are no longer appropriate following the murder of 16 children and their teacher by a gun-fanatic in Dumblane last March.

The British government has since banned handguns above 22 calibre.

"We think not," David Sparkes, the federation's secretary said.

The use of starting pistols will be phased out over the next few months and competition organisers will have to find another method of starting races. The Times reported.



Feroza Begum (R) of BJMC smiles as she reaches home to clinch 100m gold at the Mirpur Stadium yesterday. — Star photo

Feroza country's fastest woman

Mahboob's double glory

Sports Reporter

Mohboob Alam of Bangladesh Navy and Feroza Begum of Bangladesh Jute Mills Corporation became the fastest man and woman as the three-day athletics competition of the sixth Bangladesh Games concluded at the Mirpur Stadium yesterday.

Mahboob, who also won the 200-metre gold on Thursday, took 10.40 seconds to breast the 100-metre finishing line, 10 seconds ahead of former champion Golam Ambia of Bangladesh Army who won the silver with 10.50 seconds.

On the other hand, Feroza, the veteran BJMC sprinter, was lucky to finish her 100-metre mark in 12.30 seconds leaving national champion Lovely Begum high and dry; the latter clocking 12.40 seconds.

Of the nine finals on the day, only one saw a new record set by Shathi Parveen of BJMC in the eve's high jump. She cleared 1.65 metres, .05 second more than the previous record.

Bangladesh Army led the 35-event athletics medal-table with 13 golds, 11 silvers and 10 bronzes while BJMC also took 13 golds but finished second with 10 silvers and 8 bronzes. Bangladesh Navy were third with 8 golds, 5 silver and 3 bronzes. Customs finished fourth with one gold only.

The following clinched golds yesterday: 100m (men) — Mahboob Alam (Navy); 100m (women) — Feroza Begum (BJMC); 400m (men) — Farid Khan (Army); 10,000m (men) — Ilyasuddin (Army); Long Jump

(men) — Bani Amin (Army); Discus Throw (women) — Shaheen Azad (BJMC); High Jump (women) — Shathi Parveen (BJMC); 4x400m relay (men) — Bangladesh Navy; 4x400m relay (women) — BJMC

NARAYANGANJ ABASE ANSARS

Narayanganj DSA staged the biggest upset in the sixth Bangladesh Games football competition when they eliminated defending champions Bangladesh Ansars at the Mirpur Stadium yesterday in one of the four quarter-finals.

After the scheduled match ended in a 1-1 draw, Nayanganj, the zone one champions in the qualifying rounds, won the tie-breaker 5-4 against the star-studded side to move into the semi-finals.

In the tie-breaker, Liton, Monir, Aman, Gaus and Swapan scored for the winners while Jewel Rana, Rakib, Nakib and Choton scored for Ansars with Amer Khan making the costly mistake.

Earlier in a see-saw encounter, midfielder Arman put Ansars ahead in the 22nd minute while Ritu levelled the margin for Narayanganj in the 56th minute.

In tomorrow's second semi-final at the same venue, Narayanganj will take on Jheridaha, who won 4-0 in another tie-breaker against Sakhira DSA in the day's other quarter-final held at the Army Stadium.

Bangladesh Army and Dhaka University will meet each other in tomorrow's first semi-final also at the Mirpur Stadium.

Haider G M Haider proved once again his worth in the free rifle Englishman 60 shots when he bagged the gold in his favourite event in the Sixth Bangladesh Games at the Gulshan Shooting Range yesterday.

HAIDER HITS TARGET

On the third day of the six-day shooting schedule, Haider, the Chittagong Rifles Club marksman who won two golds in the seventh SAF Games in Madras last year, scored 585 out of 600 points yesterday, one more than Kamrul Islam Tipu of Rajdhan Shooting Club who took the silver. Saiful Alam Chowdhury Rinki was placed third in this event.

Sabrina Sultana of Metropolitan Shooting Club scored 580 points for the standard rifle point position 60-shot gold while Lovely Chowdhury of Narayanganj Rifles Club took the silver with 571 points. Kazi Shahana Parveen of the same club earned the bronze with 559 points.

Asif Hossain of Gulshan Shooting Club won the day's other gold in rapid fire pistol 60 shots, scoring 559 points. Nazrul Islam of Kushtia Shooting Club and Abdur Rahman of Dhaka Rifle Club clinched the silver and bronze with 538 and 530 points respectively.

Ansars atop alone

Sports Reporter

Bangladesh Ansars and VDP maintained their lead in the sixth Bangladesh Games at the end of the fourth day's competition yesterday with 49 golds, 34 silvers and 21 bronzes.

Bangladesh Jute Mills Corporation followed with 24 golds, 17 silvers and 12 bronzes while Bangladesh Army stayed third with 21 golds, 24 silvers and 24 bronzes.

STANDINGS

(Tabulated under team, gold, silver and bronze)

Teams	Go.	Sil.	Bron.
Ansars	49	34	21
BJMC	22	15	12
Bangladesh Army	19	22	16
Bangladesh Navy	13	8	6
Bangladesh Rifles	8	10	6
BTMC	3	8	5
Titas Gas	2	3	1
Bangladesh Birman	2	2	7
Bangladesh Police	2	1	9
Metropolitan			
Shooting Club	2	1	0
Bangladesh Customs	1	3	1
BKSP	1	2	2
Jheridaha DSA	1	1	3
Sonali Bank	1	1	0
Narayanganj RC	1	1	0
Agrani Bank	1	1	0
Shahinbag			
Rowing Club	1	0	1
Lakshmipur DSA	1	0	1
Uttaran Rowing Club	1	0	1
Dhaka Rifle Club	1	0	1

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Rehana fetches the fourth

Sports Reporter

Rehana Zaman of Bangladesh Ansars took her fourth swimming gold in the sixth Bangladesh Games at the National Swimming Complex yesterday to place her side atop



REHANA... 4 golds

the medals table at the end of the third day.

Rehana, a mother, who came into the limelight on Friday after capturing golds in the 200m butterfly and the 200m freestyle, continued with her superb form on Saturday to add two more golds to her tally by winning the 100m freestyle and the 400m individual medley. She clocked 1:11.52 seconds in the 100m freestyle and 6:42.62 seconds in medley.

Army's Asaduzzaman also had a great day yesterday when he clinched the 400m individual medley gold with a new national record of 5 minutes and 9.70 seconds. His teammate Mokbul Hossain won the gold in the 100m breaststroke.

Hasina Akhtar also clinched a gold for the Ansars by leaving the field behind in the 100m breaststroke.

The day's other individual gold was won by Navy's Shaiful Islam in the 100m freestyle while his team took the gold in the 4x200m relay.

Ansars earned five golds out of a possible 15 and topped the swimming competition with a haul that also included five silvers and two bronzes.

Bangladesh Navy were second with five golds, three silvers and as many bronzes while Army finished third with four golds, six silvers and three bronzes.

Wenger clears the air

LONDON, Dec 21: Arsenal manager Arsene Wenger denied mounting speculation on Friday that a legion of foreign players were about to be signed by the north London club, dismissing the rumours as the work of players' agents, reports AFP.



Shaful Islam of Bangladesh Navy shows victory sign after winning the 100m freestyle gold at the National Swimming Pool yesterday. — Star photo



Sailor Mahboob Alam (L) roars after touching the finishing tape in 100m sprinter at the Mirpur Stadium yesterday. — Star photo

BANGLADESH GAMES PODIUM

Sports Reporter

HOCKEY

Dhaka University and Bangladesh Army emerged group champions in the Sixth Bangladesh Games hockey competition after recording their third successive victory at the Hockey Stadium yesterday.

Dhaka University won the Group A championship eliminating Dhaka DSA through tiebreaker after their scheduled 70 minutes of play ended in a 1-1 draw. In tiebreaker, Dhaka University scored four goals against Dhaka's two.

In Group B, Bangladesh Army recorded a 2-1 win over BKSP. In a see-saw affair, Shirazul and Jahangir netted one goal each for Army while Ramiz reduced the margin for BKSP.

In the semifinals, Dhaka University will take on BKSP while Army will encounter Dhaka DSA at the same venue tomorrow.

KABADDI

Bangladesh Rifles, Ansars, Police and Fire Service moved into the semifinals of the kabaddi competition after winning their respective quarterfinals at the Dhaka Stadium's kabaddi court yesterday.

BDR beat Dhaka DSA by 79-28 points while Ansars ousted Tangail by 66-22 points. In the 3rd quarterfinal Police outplayed Sakhira by 107-31 points while Fire Service won the last match against Khulna DSA 67-54.

Both the semifinals will be held today at the same venue.

WEIGHTLIFTING

Three gold medals were decided in weightlifting competition at the BCIC auditorium yesterday as Ansars managed a clean sweep winning all the three golds.

In 75 kg group, Abu Sayeed took the gold while Khalilur Rahman clinched in 83kg group. The day's other gold went to Ansars' Prodep Chandra Das in 108 kg.

BASKETBALL

Bangladesh Police and Air Force won their respective basketball matches at the Dhanmondi Gymnasium yesterday.

Police defeated Brahmanbaria by 104-60 points while BAF beat BDR by 91-72 points.

TENNIS

Eight men moved into the singles quarterfinals after winning their respective matches at the Ramna Tennis Complex yesterday.

In the day's matches Hira Lal beat Nukul, Mustafa defeated Samtur, Rehan beat Karichan, Colins defeated Sakib, Siddique ousted Halim, Dilip beat Rahat, Salauddin eliminated Faisal

while Tofazzal beat Kibria. Besides, eleven second round matches of men's doubles, two women's singles and four women's doubles matches were also held at the same venue yesterday.

CYCLING

BJMC's Abdur Rouf won the 100km cycling road race gold held at the Dhaka-Chittagong highway yesterday.

Rouf clocked 2 hours 51 minutes and 43.66 seconds.

The four-day cycling competition concluded with BJMC leading the medals table with nine golds followed by Ansars with five golds.

SQUASH

Ram Jagadish, Bhola Lal and Sohel Hamid moved into the next round of squash competition winning their respective matches at the Dhaka Club

while Tofazzal beat Kibria.

JUDO

Bangladesh Rifles and Bangladesh Ansars clinched the top slot respectively in the men's and women's group of the judo which concluded yesterday at the Mirpur National Indoor Stadium.

The Rifles judokas topped the men's list securing six gold, eight silver and four bronzes. Bangladesh Ansars finished second with three gold, two silver and two bronzes while Bangladesh Police became third with one gold and 10 bronzes.

ROWING

Three rowing events were decided yesterday at the Gulshan-Baridhara Lake with Shaheenbagh Rowing Club, Uttaran Rowing Club and Dhaka Sadar Rowing Club winning one gold each.

In the single scull race, Shafigue of Shaheenbagh Rowing Club won gold. Mofazzel of Dhaka Rowing Club bagged the silver and Humayan of Sulajari Rowing Club captured the bronze.

In the double scull race, Bakul and Shafigue Junior pair of Uttaran Rowing Club clinched the gold. Shafigue Senior and Anis of Shaheenbagh Rowing Club won the silver and Khair and Humayan of Dhaka DSA won the bronze.

VOLLEYBALL

Air Force and Rifles won their respective matches of the men's volleyball at the volleyball stadium yesterday.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Local Government Engineering Department
Office of the Project Director
Second Rural Roads & Markets Improvement and Maintenance Project
LGED Bhaban, Agargaon
Shere-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207
 Memo No: LGED/PP/RRMIMP-2/T-03/96/671 Date: 10/12/96
Corrigendum to Tender Notice
No NCB-01 Dated 26.11.96
 The following changes have been made to the Tender Notice mentioned above vide this office memo No. LGED/PP/RRMIMP-2/T-03/96/575, dated 26.11.96.
 1. Last date of purchasing of Bid document 18.1.97.
 2. Last date of submission of bid 20.1.97.
 All other terms & condition of the aforementioned tender notice shall remain unchanged.
Md Nurul Islam
 Project Director (Incharge)

Government of Bangladesh
Office of the Executive Engineer, (RHD)
Road Division, Comilla
Notice Inviting Tender

1. Tender Notice No	114/EE RHD, Road Division, Comilla of 1996-97.
2. Name of work	Construction of Bus-Bay at diff KM of Dhaka-Chittagong Highway Road in 2(two) groups during the year 1996-97 (Ch to 168 RBF).
3. Estimated cost	As per Group List.
4. Earnest money	As per group list in BD/Pay Order in favour of EE RHD, Road Divn, Comilla.
5. Name of office where tender bids will be received	Addl Chief Engineer, RHD, Comilla Zone, Comilla Superintending Engineer, RHD, Road Circle, Comilla/Monitoring and Evaluation Office, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka & office of the undersigned.
6. Name of office of availability of tender bids	Office of the undersigned/EE RHD, Road Divn B' Bania/Chandpur/Planning and Design Divn, Comilla/Planning Divn, Sarak Bhaban Ramna, Dhaka & SDE's office, under this Divn.
7. Time allowed	As per Group list.
8. Last date of selling of tender bids	28.12.96 up to office hours.
9. Last date of dropping of tender bids	29.12.96 up to 12.30 PM.
10. Date & place of opening of tender bids	1.1.97 in the office of the EE (RHD) Comilla.
11. Date of Lottery	4.1.97.
12. Eligibility of Contractors	As per Group list.

Gr No	Name of works	Estimated cost Tk	Earnest money	Time allowed	Ch to Hd	Eligibility
I.	Const of Bus-bay at 58th KM of Dhaka-Chittagong Highway Road at Eliotgong Bazar portion during 1996-97.	9,81,177.00	19,624/-	90 days	168-RBF	A to D General Cat. of RHD Cont.
II.	-do- at 49th KM of (Gouripur Bazar portion) during the year 1996-97.	7,28,244.00	14,565/-	-do-	-do-	A to E -do-

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Md Abul Quasem Bhuiyan
 Executive Engineer, (RHD, (C,C)
 Road Division, Comilla

Dhaka WASA
Tender Notice (4th call)
 (পানির অপচয় বন্ধ করান।। ম্যানহোলের ঢাকনা চূরি রোধ করুন।)

Tenders are invited from Dhaka WASA enlisted 1st, 2nd & 3rd class supply contractors/bonafide suppliers/interested buyers for auction selling of houses and trees on the acquired land of Sarulia & Matuail Mouza under Syedabad Water Purifying Stations Construction Project. Tenders will be received up to 12.00 Noon of 30.12.96 and will be opened on the same day at 2.00 PM before the tenderers or their representatives (if any) present.

Tender schedule, bill of quantities will be available at the office of the Chief Accountant of Dhaka WASA, WASA Bhaban, 98, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Dhaka and all the Mods Zone Offices of Dhaka WASA. Other details will be available at the office of the undersigned.

Address:
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 98, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Dhaka
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Md Zahurul Alam
 Executive Engineer
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