

Column One

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Competition-70

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Competition closes 8 pm,
May 30, '97

1	How many one-day centuries has Sachin Tendulkar scored so far?	10	12	14
2	How many one-day matches did Saqlain Mushtaq play to capture his 100th wicket?	50	52	59
3	Who won the Italian Open ladies' tennis title?	Martinez	Pierce	Sanchez
4	Who scored the first hat-trick in this year's Premier Division hockey league?	Blaik	Kamal	Roni
5	Who clinched the national cricket championship title this year?	DU	Chittagong	Biman

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SPORTS TALK



Malcolm Marshall
(West Indies cricket coach)
"Curly Ambrose makes all the difference even when only 60 per cent fit."

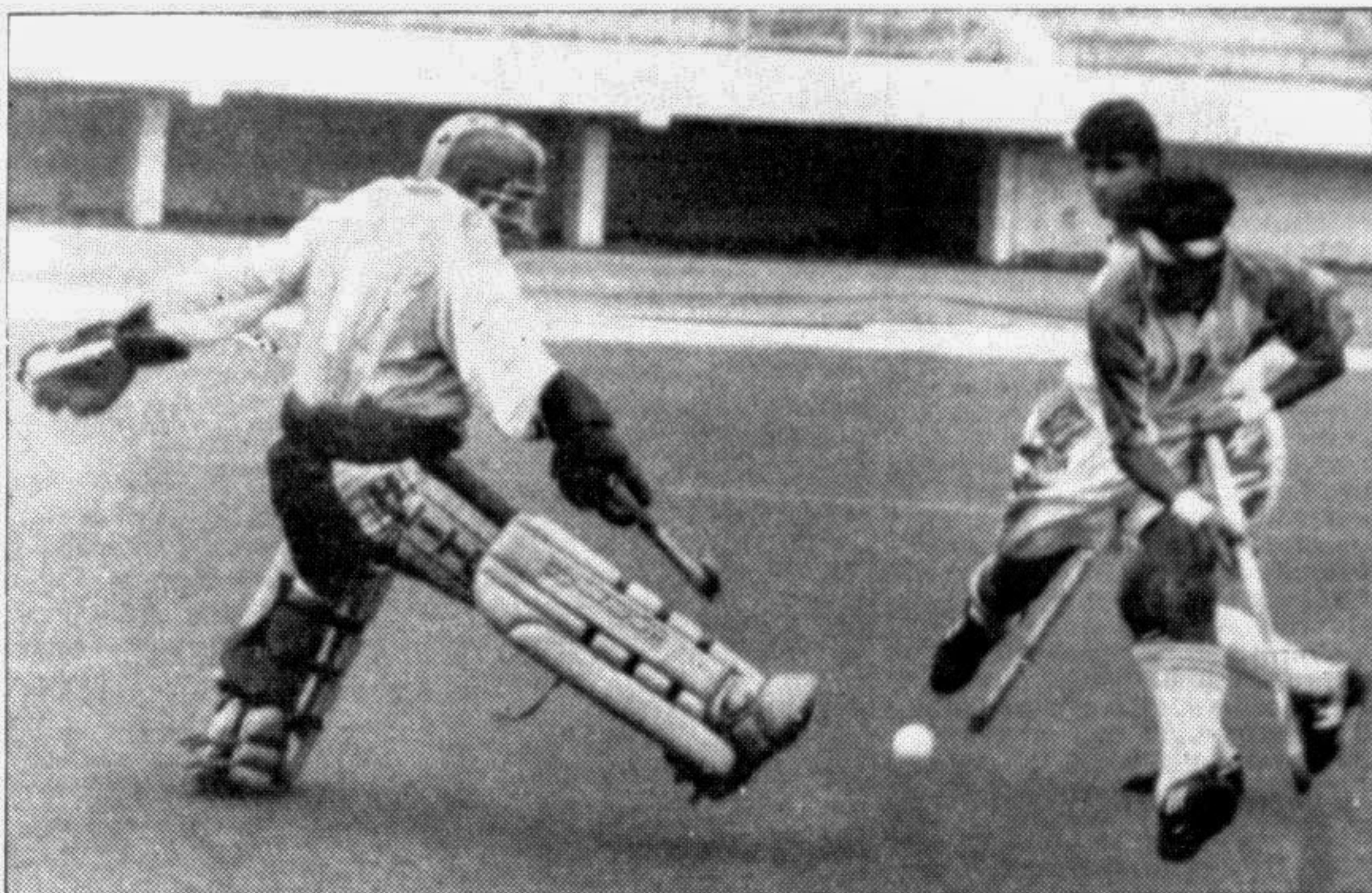
Hingis to play
in Paris

TRUEBBACH, Switzerland, May 19: Swiss world number one Martina Hingis has recovered from her knee injury and will be ready to participate in the French Open which starts on May 26, reports in the Swiss press said today, reports AFP.

"I want to at least reach the semi-finals in Paris," the 16-year-old told the Sunday newspaper Sonntagsblick.

Three weeks after falling from a horse and injuring knee ligaments, Hingis said she "hadn't lost confidence in herself."

"I've improved my technique," she said.



THE DYNAMIC DUO: Rafiqul Islam Kamal (R) and Mohammed Sadeq (in the background), the two most prolific scorers in the domestic circuit, went on a rampage against Bangladesh Railway in a Green Delta Insurance First Division league match at the National Hockey Stadium yesterday. The duo, a near-perfect combination of power and vision, shared nine goals in Usha's 12-0 whitewash of Railway.

Kamal, Sadeq slam trebles

Sports Reporter



National centre forwards Rafiqul Islam Kamal and Mohammed Sadeq continued with their impressive forms and scored successive hat-tricks as favourites Usha Krira Chakra recorded a thumping 12-0 victory over Bangladesh Railway in the first of the two Green Delta Insurance First Division league matches billed for yesterday at the National Hockey Stadium.

In the one-sided affair, Kamal scored six goals in all to record his fourth hat-trick in the league while Sadeq added three for his second consecutive treble. Besides, Rashid, Nakib and Pappu netted one goal apiece to the winners' account who led the first half 7-0.

With yesterday's win, their fifth in a row, Usha raised their tally to 15 points on completion of their fifth outing and joined holders Mohammedan Sporting Club and giants Abahani Krira Chakra atop the 16-team standings with all having all-win record so far.

On the other hand, it was the third defeat for Railway in five matches which kept them glued to their previous collection of

two points.

On Monday afternoon, Usha were ahead as early as in the second minute through a penalty corner with Rashid blasting the board with a power packed hit.

Sadeq, the gifted national forward who scored his first hat-trick against Ansars last Wednesday, doubled the margin in the sixth minute pushing the ball home from a penalty corner rebounder.

Sadeq then scored his second goal through a brilliant field effort from a Tutul pass after five minutes before completing the hat-trick with yet another lovely field goal in the 12th minute. Sadeq has scored ten goals in the league so far.

Nakib made it 5-0 converting a penalty corner in the 21st minute while Kamal then scored two goals in a row in the 30th and 34th minutes to seal the first session 7-0.

After the lemon break, Kamal completed his treble in the 44th minute flicking the ball home from a Sadeq pass.

Buoyed by the three, Kamal then scored three more in the 59th, 62nd and 64th minutes while Pappu scored one in the 60th minute.

With yesterday's six strikes, Kamal, the leading scorer in the league so far, raised his personal tally to 21 goals. Besides, Usha have scored 53 goals in their five league matches.

TEAMS

USHA KC: Tusar, Guddu, Nakib, Azam, Tutul, Piru, Zia, Pappu, Sadeq, Kamal, Ziad and Rashid.

BANGLADESH RAILWAY: Tarun, Aziz, Bulbul, Azgar, Harun, Goutam, Mamun, Zaman, Wasim, Nurul, Reza, Hasan, Ajay, Khairul, Moin and Matin.

Umpires: Abdur Razzak and Mansurul Haque.

SONALI BANK WIN

In the day's second match, Sonali Bank recorded a 2-0 victory over Bangladesh Ansars. Defender Monir and centre half Lulu scored one goal each to the winners' account.

It was the second win for the bankers in their five engagements to date which raised their tally to eight points. On the other hand, Ansars suffered their fifth successive defeat yesterday and they are yet to open their account.

Au revoir Eric Cantona



MANCHESTER, England, May 19: Leading figures in English football paid tribute to Eric Cantona after the Manchester United star's shock decision to quit football on Sunday, reports AFP.

Former United star Paddy Crerand said the Frenchman would remain in the minds of supporters for years to come.

"Cantona is a legend in Manchester. He will never ever be forgotten as long as he lives and even after he's gone. He's a super hero," said Crerand, now a local radio commentator in Manchester.

"He will go down along side the Busby Babes, Alex Ferguson, Denis Law, Bobby Charlton, he'll not be forgotten at Old Trafford."

"A vast number of the people

in Manchester will be in total mourning. My whole family is totally stunned and I can't believe it. But Eric's that type of person: if he feels it has to be done he'll do it."

"This will shock everybody in Manchester because he is looked upon as something special, but he's made his decision."

Former United manager Tommy Docherty said he was surprised and disappointed by Cantona's decision to leave the game.

"Eric is such a great player and I will certainly miss watching him," said Docherty.

"I thought he'd see out another season with United and have one last crack at the Champions' League. But nobody is irreplaceable, not even Eric Cantona."

Docherty added: "I'm sure there will be a huge disap-

pointment from the fans to see a great player quit when he is still in the prime of his career and retiring so young, even through his form since Christmas hasn't been his best."

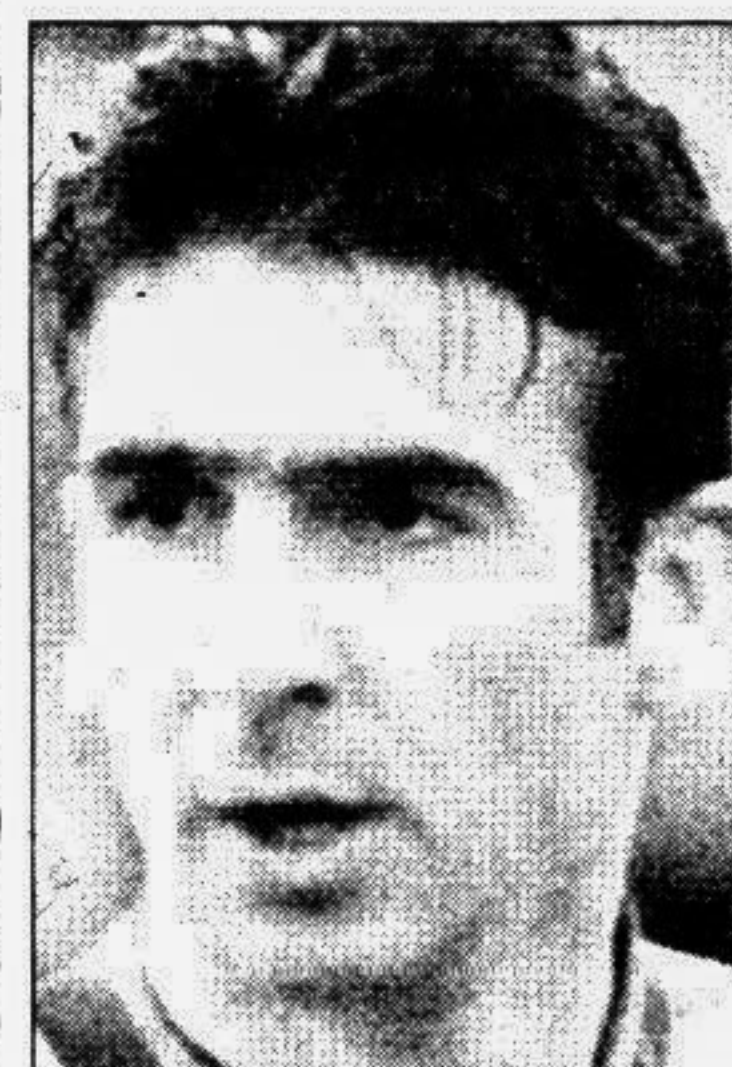
United's current manager Alex Ferguson said that Cantona felt he wanted to go out while "he was at the top."

"He feels his four and a half years have been great and he wants to do other things," he said. "In that situation it is hard to persuade him to stay."

"His influence on the team has been marvellous and he came at the right time."

"We have had a great four and a half years, and for one million pounds it was unbelievable value. We wish him well."

"He is certainly one of the most gifted and dedicated players that I have ever had the pleasure of working with."



ERIC CANTONA

"Whenever fans discuss United's greatest ever side, you can be sure that for many Eric's name will be very high up on the list."

Football Association chief executive Graham Kelly admitted he had been left stunned by Cantona's decision.

Kelly said: "I am very surprised. He has a unique talent and vision, and has played a significant part in the development of the young players who have come through at Old Trafford. Four or five England footballers are all the better for that."

"He has been a great example of skill, talent and vision, and he will leave the great legacy behind."

Journalists' reception

Bangladesh Federal Union of Journalists (BFUJ) will accord a reception to the members of the Bangladesh national cricket team on behalf of the journalists community at the Jatiya Press Club on May 23, reports BSS.

BFUJ formed a reception committee headed by its former president Habibur Rahman.

Booters' Oman visit in doubt

The week-long tour of Bangladesh national football team to Oman has become uncertain as the Gulf state seems reluctant to the visit, reports UNB.

Earlier, Oman had invited Bangladesh to play two friendly matches against the national side of Oman for preparation for their World Cup qualifier.

Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) on May 14 decided to avail the tour with a 26-member team, including six officials. The team was scheduled to fly for Oman on Thursday.

But at present the tour has become uncertain as BFF did not get any further message from Oman, said BFF joint secretary Sirajul Islam Bachchu.

"Perhaps they have got a better opponent for their warm-up matches," said Bachchu.

Div III soccer on Sports Reporter

Rayer Bazar Athletics Club got off to a winning start in the inaugural match of the Third Division football league which began at the Rajuk ground adjacent to Dhaka Stadium yesterday afternoon.

After a barren first half, striker Monir Hossain scored the all-important goal against Kashaituli Samaj Kalyan Parish midway through the second half.

Earlier, Post and Telecommunication Minister Mohammad Nasim, performed the opening of the 18-team league as chief guest. State Minister for Youth and Sports Obaidul Quader and Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) general secretary Harun-ur-Rashid MP were also present on the occasion.

Eighteen teams, split into two groups, are competing in the first phase and top four teams from each group will qualify for the Super League.

Suncrest Cup handball

Sports Reporter

Bangladesh Rifles and Manjils Krira Chakra won their respective opening matches of the second round of the Suncrest Cup handball tournament held at the court adjacent to the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

In the first match of the day, BDR recorded a 32-20 victory over Bangladesh Police. The winners led the first half 11-10.

Jahangir top-scored with nine goals while Mang Sa Pru and Sajal added seven each to the winners' account. On the other hand, Nazrul scored eight goals for the vanquished.

In the other match, Manjils Club handed Bangladesh Ansars a marginal 26-29 defeat. The winners led the first half 16-12.

Issa of Cameroon, one of the two foreigners played for Manjils outfit, struck eleven goals followed by Japanese player Sai Jee who added six goals. Besides, Tapan scored four goals for the winners.

Chelsea win FA Cup

WEMBLEY, England, May 19: Roberto Di Matteo scored the fastest FA Cup final goal this century Saturday when he fired Chelsea ahead after only 43 seconds against Middlesbrough at Wembley, reports AP.

The Italian star's 30-yard strike beat the 45-second goal by Newcastle's Jackie Milburn in the 3-1 victory over Manchester City in 1955.

Di Matteo collected the ball from Dennis Wise inside his own half and took the ball forward some 30 yards as the Boro defense retreated and he beat goalkeeper Ben Roberts with a shot that dipped late.

It could have been 2-0 in the ninth minute when defender Scott Minto got through on the left but Roberts raced off in line to block his shot.

Fabrizio Ravanelli recovered in time from back and hamstring injuries to take his place in Middlesbrough's lineup but lasted only 22 minutes. The former Juventus striker chased a through ball from Juninho and pulled up with a recurrence of the hamstring trouble.

Romanian midfielder Dan Petrescu almost put Chelsea further ahead with a lob over goalkeeper Roberts but Boro defender Nigel Pearson got back to head behind from underneath the crossbar.

A sellout crowd of some 78,000, including Brazilian star Pele, were at the home of English soccer for the game.

Nat'l Bank volleyball

Holders Bangladesh Rifles registered their seventh consecutive victory in the National Bank Premier Division volleyball league beating Water Development Board 15-6, 15-5, 15-4 yesterday, reports UNB.

The victory enabled Rifles and runners-up Titas Club to maintain their all-win records having full 14 points from seven matches while Water Development Board suffered their sixth defeat.

Power Development Board piled up the fourth wins from their fifth league outing defeating Bangladesh Bank Club by 15-12, 15-7, 15-5 points. It was the fourth defeat for the bankers team in their sixth engagement.

In the day's other match, Bangladesh Police AC tasted their second victory beating Dhaka Sabuj 15-5, 15-0, 15-9.

Jayasuriya India's incubus



BOMBAY, May 19: Chaminda Vaas and Sanath Jayasuriya set Sri Lanka records Saturday as the world champions crushed India by five wickets to stay in contention for the Independence Cup, reports AFP.

Vaas took two for 13 in 10 overs, the best figures by a Sri Lanka bowler in 50-over internationals, to restrict the home team to 225 for seven on an unusually bouncy Wankhede Stadium wicket.

Jayasuriya then smashed a monumental 151 not out off 120 balls, Sri Lanka's highest individual one-day score, to help his team gallop past the modest target with 9.1 overs to spare.

The result left all four teams with one win each from two matches and turned the last round of league matches Sri Lanka vs New Zealand on Tuesday and India vs Pakistan on Wednesday into semifinals.

India's hopes of making the best of three finals before the potentially hazardous clash against Pakistan evaporated soon after skipper Sachin Tendulkar won the toss and decided to bat.

They were reduced to 29 for three as Vaas bowled Saurav Ganguly with the first ball of the match and Sanjeewa de Silva sent back the dangerous Tendulkar and Vinod Kambli by the 12th over.

Ajay Jadeja (72) led India's revival, putting on 95 for the fourth wicket with Rahul Dravid (61) and 58 for the fifth with Robin Singh, who hit a run-a-ball 51.

Left-arm seamer Vaas conceded just six runs in his first spell of six overs and seven more in his last four, removing Anil Kumble off the final ball of the innings.

No chess!

Sports Reporter

The eleventh round of the 23rd national chess championship scheduled at the NSC chess room yesterday, was not held due to unavailability of a proper official.

According to a Bangladesh Chess Federation official yesterday, the arbitrator of the meet failed to reach the venue in time which forced the organisers to postpone the day's round.

The championship will resume at the same venue this afternoon at 2 pm.

Divisional women's h'ball May 22

Sports Reporter

The Inter-Division women's handball tournament, organised by the Bangladesh Women's Sports Federation, will be held at the Sultana Kamal Women's Sports Complex from May 22 to 24.

Twelve teams—the champions and runners-up of the six divisional qualifying rounds—will participate in the meet.

TODAY'S MATCHES

Green Delta First Division hockey league

(Venue: Hockey Stadium)
Mariner Young's Club vs Azad SC (2:15 pm)
Ajax SC vs Victoria SC (4:30 pm)

Danish Third Division cricket league

Young Pegasus 'A' vs Ekata SKS (DCS)
Shantinnagar 'B' vs Monipur CC (Uttara)

Suncrest Cup handball tournament

Menjils KC vs Bangladesh Air Force (3 pm)
Bangladesh Ansar vs Bangladesh Police (4:30 pm)

Third Division Football league

(Venue: Army Stadium)
Labagh SC vs Rahmatganj SC (2:45 pm)
Dipalee JS vs BG Press (4:30 pm)

National Bank Premier volleyball league

Water Development Board vs Power Development Board (3:30 pm)
Bangladesh Bank vs Wari Club (4:30 pm)
Titus Club vs Sonali Bank (5:30 pm)

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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Tendulkar, who made 117 against New Zealand on Wednesday, scored two when he cut a short ball from Sanjeewa hard and high to Kumara Dharmasena on the third man fence.

Kambli recalled in place of former skipper Mohammad Azharuddin, plodded for 19 balls to score four when he pulled Sanjeewa tamely to short mid-wicket.

The home team would have been in further trouble if wicket-keeper Ramesh Kaluwitharana had taken a simple edge offered by David in Dharmasena's first over.

David, then on 28 in a score of 45 for three, went on to rebuild India's shattered innings in Jadeja's company before off-spinner Muttiah Muralitharan

bowled him in the 34th over. The Indians, who went for a desperate slog in the end, managed to score 41 runs off the last five overs.

Sri Lanka themselves began on the wrong foot losing out-of-form Kaluwitharana in the second over before he had scored. Kaluwitharana, whose last seven one-day innings had produced just 14 runs, was asked to open again even though captain Arjuna Ranatunga had indicated before the match that Roshan Mahanama would be given the job.

The move backfired, as Kaluwitharana faced only two

balls from Abery Kuruvilla before edging a simple catch to Tendulkar in the slips.

But the joy of 40,000 partisan home fans was short-lived as Jayasuriya and Marvan Atapattu (38) thwarted India's hopes of an upset win by adding 138 for the second wicket.

Sri Lanka slipped from 146 for one to 151 for three as Atapattu was run out and Aravinda de Silva trapped leg-before by Kumble in the space of three deliveries.

But Jayasuriya, who hit four sixes and 16 boundaries in his fourth one-day century, ensured Sri Lanka were safely home.

SCOREBOARD
Scorecard on Saturday's Independence Cup match between India and Sri Lanka.

INDIA
Ganguly b Vaas 0
Tendulkar c Dharmasena 2
b Sanjeewa 61
Dravid b Muralitharan 2
Kambli c Tillekeratne 2
b Sanjeewa 4
Jadeja b Jayasuriya 72
Singh b Sanjeewa 51
Mongia not out 21
Kumble c Muralitharan 0
b Vaas 0
Extras (lb-6, w-7, nb-1) 14
Total (for 7 wts, 50 overs) 225
Did not bat: Sunil Joshi, A. Kuruvilla and Venkatesh Prasad.

Fall of wickets: 1-0; 2-4; 3-29; 4-124; 5-182; 6-224; 7-225.

BOWLING O M R W
Vaas 10 3 13 2
Sanjeewa 10 0 59 3
Muralitharan 10 0 37 1
Dharmasena 10 2 38 0
Jayasuriya 8 0 55 1
De Silva 2 0 17 0

SRI LANKA
Jayasuriya not out 151
Kaluwitharana c Tendulkar 0
b Kuruvilla 0
Atapattu run out 38
De Silva lbw b Kumble 0
Ranatunga c sub (Kdoda) 17
b Kumble 17
Tillekeratne c Mongia 6
b Kuruvilla 6
Mahanama not out 4
Extras (lb-4, lb-2, w-7) 13
Total (for 5 wts, 40.5 overs) 229
Did not bat: K Dharmasena, C Vaas, M Muralitharan, S De Silva

Fall of wickets: 1-8; 2-146; 3-151; 4-194; 5-220

BOWLING O M R W
Prasad 10 1 57 0
Kuruvilla 7 1 22 2
Kumble 10 0 55 2
Joshi 9.5 0 56 0
Singh 2 0 20 0
Tendulkar 2 0 13 0

Result: Sri Lanka won by five wickets

Man-of-the-match: Sanath Jayasuriya

Next match: Sri Lanka vs New Zealand, May 20.

Government of the People's
Republic of Bangladesh
Facilities Department, Ministry of Education
Shikha Bhaban, Bangladesh, Dhaka
Tender Notice

No. 02/DB(Pry)/Grant/Vehicle/FD/96-97 Dated: 10/5/97

Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2908 are hereby invited from the bonafide sole distributors/dealers for supplying Motor cycle for Facilities Department, Ministry of Education, under the project "Construction of Multipurpose Building to be used as Govt. Pry. School & Shelter during calamities under the assistance of Islamic Development Bank (IDB) grant. The number of vehicles and specification etc. are mentioned in the tender documents.

The tender documents may be obtained from the office of the undersigned on all working days during office hours on cash payment of Tk. 750/- (Taka seven hundred fifty) only (non-refundable) for each set of document up to 29/5/97 on submission of a written application on printed letterhead pad of the bidder.

Tenders will be received at the office of the undersigned up to 12.00 Noon on 1/6/97 and will be opened on the same day at 12.30 PM in presence of the bidders, if there be any.

Each tender must accompany with earnest money @ 2% (two per cent) of the total bid amount in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order from any scheduled bank of Bangladesh in favour of the "Chief Engineer, Facilities Department, Ministry of Education, Shikha Bhaban, Dhaka."

Instruction:

1. Insertion of any additional clause in the tender by the tenderer shall be liable to summary rejection.
2. An authorisation certificate from the manufacturer/sole distributor showing the ready stock, service/spare parts availability must be attached along with the bid document without which the offer will not be considered.
3. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tender/tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.

S S M A Mannan
Chief Engineer
Facilities Department

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