

SA arrive
Down Under

PERTH, Nov 21: South Africa distanced themselves from the Australian players' pay dispute Friday as they arrived for a tour which may be marred by strike action, reports AP.

Australian players are considering strikes for four one-day internationals, including two against South Africa on Dec 4 and Dec 9.

Team manager Alan Jordan said the South Africans were told before their arrival that one-day games were in jeopardy.

Jordan said he had no contact with the Australian Cricketers Association.

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

1. Tender Notice No : 93/RD Munshiganj of 1997-98.

2. Name of work : Tender for construction of Talata-Kunder Bazar Bridge approaches at 6th KM of Tongibari-Hatimara-Sirajdikhan road under Munshiganj Road Division during the year of 1997-98.

3. Estimated cost : Tk 48,37,125/-

4. Earnest money : Tk 96,750/- only in BD/TC/BSP/PSP etc certificate in favour of EE, RHD, Munshiganj Road Division from any scheduled bank.

5. Time allowed for completion of work : 100 (one hundred) days from the date of issue of work order.

6. Eligibility of contractors : "A" to "C" general category of RHD.

7. Last date for selling tender documents : 1.12.97 during office hours.

8. Last date & time for receiving tender documents : 2.12.97 up to 12:30 PM.

9. Date & time for opening tender documents : 2.12.97 at 12:45 PM (except this office).

10. Date & time for centrally open the tender documents : 4.12.97 at 12:30 PM in this office.

11. Name of offices where tender documents will be sold : Divisional Commissioner, Dhaka Division, Segunbagicha, Dhaka/Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Dhaka/Narayanganj/Gazipur/Manikganj/Narsingdi/Munshiganj/Planning Divn (P&D), Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/Planning & Design Divn, Dhaka Zone, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD, Road Sub-Division, Sreenagar/Keraniganj/Munshiganj/1st Line Workshop Sub-Division, Munshiganj.

12. Name of offices where tender documents will be received : Divisional Commissioner, Dhaka Division, Segunbagicha, Dhaka/Superintending Engr. (RHD), Dhaka Road Circle, Dhaka/Monitoring & Evaluation Circle (P&D), Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/Planning, Monitoring & Evaluation, Dhaka Zone, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/Executive Engineer, RHD, Munshiganj Road Division, Munshiganj/Sub-Divisional Engineer (RHD), Road Sub-Division, Sreenagar/Keraniganj/Munshiganj/1st Line Workshop Sub-Division, Munshiganj.

13. Date & time of lottery (if necessary) : 7.12.97 at 12:30 PM.

14. Chargeable Head : 266-CACW.

Sealed tenders in BD Form No. 2911 are hereby invited from the RHD enlisted contractors according to their financial limit for the mentioned works under Munshiganj Road Division. The tenders will be received/opened at fixed time and date of abovementioned offices.

Md Habibur Rahman
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DFP-25955-17/11
G-2852

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their 150 partnership 151 minutes in a dazzling liaison which swung the balance of the game.

Mark Waugh, needing a solid score to preserve his Test position, was on 59 when he straight drove a ball from left-arm spinner Daniel Vettori straight down the ground.

The ball, perfectly timed, sailed high on to the top of the five-storey high southern stand, landing with a clunk 130 metres (yards) away from the batsman's crease.

It is the first time a ball has travelled as far as the roof of the 10-year-old stand.

The ball, 56 overs old, could not be retrieved, and umpires Darrell Hair (Australia) and George Sharp (England) spent several minutes trying to find a ball with equal wear so that game could continue.

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ABOVE ALL ELSE

WC soccer groupings on Dec 4

ZURICH, Nov 21: The 15 European teams which have qualified for the World Cup will be split up so that no more than two are in the same group, FIFA announced Thursday, reports AP.

Seven groups will have two European teams and the eighth group will have one when the draw is made on Dec 4 in Marseille, France, soccer's world governing body said.

FIFA said geographical considerations would also be taken into account in placing the other 17 teams in the draw, which has eight groups of four teams each.

Teams from the same continent shall be kept apart in the first round as far as possible, FIFA said.

The remaining teams in the record 32-nation field are five from South America (including defending champions Brazil), five from Africa, three from the CONCACAF region, three from Asia, plus either Iran or Australia.

The system for those teams will be decided when FIFA meets in Marseille on Dec. 2, two days before the draw ceremony.

FIFA said it was also studying the system for determining the eight seeded teams for the draw. Brazil, as defending champions, and France, as host nation, get automatic seedings.

FIFA said it would determine the six other seeds based on their past performance in the World Cup and their position in the FIFA rankings.

European champions Germany, No. 2 in the FIFA rankings, is sure to be seeded, as is Italy, the 1994 runner-up which recently climbed sixth place to 10th in the latest rankings.

Argentina, the 1986 winners and 1990 runners-up, are expected to be seeded. Spain, which dropped from second to third in the latest rankings, was a quarterfinalist in 1986 and '94 and should also be in the top eight.

Then it becomes a little complicated.

England were a 1986 quarterfinalist and 1990 semifinalist. But FIFA puts more weight in their calculations on the most recent performance and the fact that England failed to qualify in 1994 will go against Glenn Hoddle's team.

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Saturday 22nd November
(All programmes are in local time. There may be changes in the programme.)

BTU

Morning Session
9:05 Moner Mukure 10:15 Movie of the Week

Evening Session
4:05 Kishore Mancha 4:45 Sports Programme 5:15 Open University 6:00 Matamat 6:30 Nibebon 7:10 Sastha Tathya 7:25 Geemalya 8:40 Weekly Drama: Mahesh 10:30 Film Show: Hercules

BBC
6:00 BBC World Headlines 6:05 USA Direct 6:30 World Living: Classic Adventure 7:00 BBC World Headlines 7:05 Weekend World: Horizon 8:00 BBC World News 8:30 USA Direct 9:00 BBC World News 9:30 HARDtalk 10:00 BBC World News 10:30 World Focus: Window On Europe 11:00 BBC World News 11:30 World Focus: Panorama 12:00noon BBC World News 12:30 World Living: Classic Adventure 1:00 BBC World News 1:30 HARDtalk 2:00 BBC World News 2:30 World Focus: Correspondent 2:05 BBC World Headlines 2:05 Weekend World: Horizon 2:05 BBC World News 3:00 World Focus: Reporters 4:00 BBC Newsdesk 4:30 World Living: Top Gear 5:00 BBC World News 5:30 World Focus: The Money Programme

CHANNEL V
6:00am Rewind VJ Sophia 7:00 Tune On TV [V] 8:30 Rewind VJ Sophia 9:30 By Demand VJ Trey 10:30 Amped 11:00 Over The Edge 11:30 70's Rewind 12:00noon Speak Easy 12:30 Mainstage 1:30 Turn On TV [V] 2:30 Billboard US Countdown 4:30 [V] Hour Special 5:30 Turn On TV [V] 7:00 Udam Singh 7:30 BPL Oye 8:30 Liberty First Day First Show 9:00 The Ticket 9:30 Turn On TV [V] 10:00 Close Up Close Encounters 10:30 Turn On TV [V] 11:00 V Spot 11:30 Turn On TV [V] 2:00 Music Up Date Tokyo 2:30 Turn On TV [V] 3:00 Asian Top 20 5:00 Turn On TV [V] 5:30 Freestyle

STAR PLUS

6:30 Ninaad 7:30 Good Morning India 9:30 Sunet Verna's Style Gurus 10:00 Master Card Family Fortunes 10:30 A Questions of Answers 11:00 Travel Asia 11:30 BBC Documentary "Around The World in Eighty Days" 12:30 Batman 1:30 Denver The Last Dinosaur 1:50 Saber Rider & Star Sheriffs 2:00 Around The World in 80 Days 2:30 Bakeman's Ooh La La 3:30 Gaatha 3:30 Jubilee Plus 5:00 Britania Mangold Tea Time Cinema: "DADDY" (Poona Bhatt, Anupam Kher) 8:00 Awaaz 8:30 Kiran Kher Today 9:30 Star News 10:00 Ard Shatabdi 10:30 Newstrack 11:00 Rin Ek Do Teen 12:00am L.A. Law 1:00 Star News 1:30 Movie: "Once Again" 3:30 Hardcastle and McCormick 4:30 The Darling Buds of May 5:30 21 Jump Street

STAR MOVIES
7:45am Family: The Mighty Morphin Power Rangers 15 9:30 Family: Split Infinity? 11:30 Action: Conan The Barbarian 15 (Hindi Subtitles) 1:30 Action: Marked For Death 15 (Hindi Subtitles) 3:30 Adventure: Blood And Sand 15 5:30 Comedy: Trust Me 15 7:30 Adventure: White Wolves — A Cry In The Wild 12 9:30 Extreme Close-Up 10:00 The Great Directors — John Ford — My Darling Clementine PG (Hindi Subtitles) 12:00 Thriller: Nowhere To Run 18 2:00 Feight Night: Rabid 18 4:00 Action: Boxcar Bertha 18 5:30 Western: My Darling Clementine PG (Hindi Subtitles)

Doordarshan
7:00am Health Tips 7:15 Bhakti Sagar 7:45 Programme Promotion 8:00 Phulwar Bachchon Ki 8:30 The First Edition 9:00 Serial 9:30 Serial 9:30 Serial 9:45 Dhwani 10:15 Mumbai Masala 10:45 Charitraheen

ESP

2:00 Marlboro Tennis Championship 3:30 Whitbread Round The World 4:00 World Of Rugby 4:30 Sportscenter Int'l Edition 5:00 Sri Lanka Tour Of India 1st Test-Day 2 Highlights Sri Lanka Vs India 6:00 NBA Basketball LIVE New Jersey Nets Vs Boston Celtics 8:30 Racehorse Digest 9:00 Sri Lanka Tour Of India 1st Test-1st Session Day 4 Live Sri Lanka Vs India 11:00 Sportscenter Int'l Edition 11:30 UEFA Champions League Highlights 11:40 Sri Lanka Tour Of India 1st Test-2nd Session Day 4 Live Sri Lanka Vs India 4:00 NBA Basketball New Jersey Nets Vs Boston Celtics 6:30 Sportscenter Int'l Edition 7:00 Ladies' Championship: Of Wrestling 7:30 World Of Rugby 8:00 Sri Lanka Tour Of India 1st Test - Day 4 Highlights Sri Lanka Vs India 9:00 Australian Cricket 2nd Ansett Australia - Day 3 New Zealand Vs Australia

PTV
8:00am Tilwat aur Tarjuma/Ham/Naat 8:20 Cartoons 8:30 Khabar 8:45 Visitors Book 8:10 Phool Khushboo 9:25 Dastarkhwan 9:40 Mehman 10:55 Aap Ki anwar Magsood 10:30 English Film: 10:55 MILLI NAGHMA 11:00 Khabar 11:10 Meri pasand 11:35 Janun 12:55 Quran - E-Hakeem 1:2 Bismillah 1:15 Grind 2:5 Drama Serial: 2:55 Husool-E-Insaf & Sports Coaching 3:20 TV Encyclopedia 3:40 Sports Time 4:5 Serial: 5:5 Medicine 5:25 Computers 6:20 AIU Courses 7:00 English News 7:20 PTV Music Library 7:30 Virsa Pakistan 7:55 Ghazal Uss Naye Sailee 8:25 Denotonic-World Of Sports 8:45 Serial: 9:00 Break for Headlines News 10:00 Khabarnama & Commercial News 10:35 TBA 11:55 The Flash Point 1:5 Urdu Feature Film / Khas Khabar -

ATN
7:00am Bhakti Bhavna 8:00 Sant Ashram 8:30 Bipul: Classic Old Film Songs 9:00 Tere Sur Mere Geet 9:30 Once More - Hindi Film Trailer Show 10:00 Spinning the Wheel 10:30 Gunjan 11:00 Telegand 11:30 Bhanga 12:00 Serial: 12:30 Touch of Classic 12:30 Apni Bol Apni Dosh 1:00 On Line (Latest Hit Songs) 1:30 Clit Out Zone 1:55 Masti Masala - Hindi Film Trailer Show 2:00 Hindi Feature Film 6:00 ITN 6:30 Kalkar Ek Rang Anek 6:00 It Is Written 6:30 Halla Golla 7:30 Bangladeshi prog-Lip To Lip (New Film Songs) 7:30 Bangladeshi prog-Comedy Serial: Henolax-Sat Sautoero ('Toukir, Bizare) 8:00 Gunjan

EL TV
7:00am Yeadon Ki Baral 7:30 Haseen Pal (Trailer Show) 7:40 Sur Tal 8:30 Bejai Darpan (Trailer Show) 8:30 Teep Kaman 9:00 Bourville Quiz Contest 9:30 Zee News - English 10:00 The Dream Marchants 10:30 Aap Ki Adalat (Anchor: Rajat