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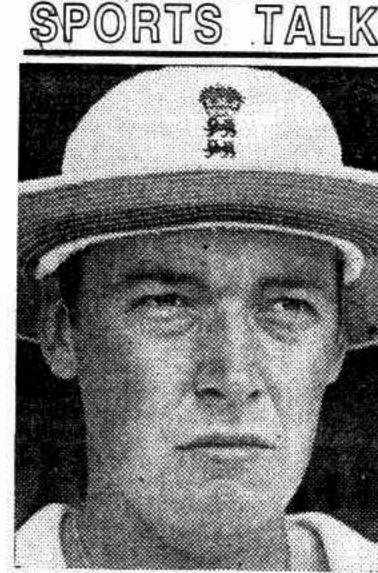
HAT the International Olympic Committee (IOC) has 114 members --- 12 of them female, who were only allowed in only in 1981. Of the 114 current members, 48 are from Europe, 21 from the Americas, 20 from Africa, 20 from Asia and five from Oceania.

In perhaps its bid to counter claims that it is more like a private club, the committee, overlooking the Olympic movement, has been expanded in recent times with 42 members being included in the past five years.

Although the organisation has existed since June 1894 when Baron Pierre de Coubertin of France convened a meeting in Paris, there is no clear track to becoming a IOC member. The IOC Executive Board

consists of 11 members, including the current president. Spaniard Juan-Antonio Samaranch and four vice-presidents. The Board meets four times a year and one of its agenda involves proposing new members to the annual full session of the IOC. New members are approved by acclamation and not by a formal vote, which reflects on the influence of Samaranch and his board.

So, to become the 115th member of the IOC, I would have to know Mr. Samaranch personally. And, to tell you frankly I do not. How did you guess?



**Angus Fraser** (England pace bowler)

Too many people in English cricket earn a decent living out of the game without being good enough."

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Which country topped the medals lable in the 13th Asiad? China India How many medals did Bangladesh clinch at the Asian Games? Who scored the first century in this year's Premier cricket league? Shawkat | Selim

Where will the 14th Asian Games be held? Pusan Pyongyang Paris Which team won the AB Bank Senior Div TT title? Jatrabari Ansars Biman

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### Red card record

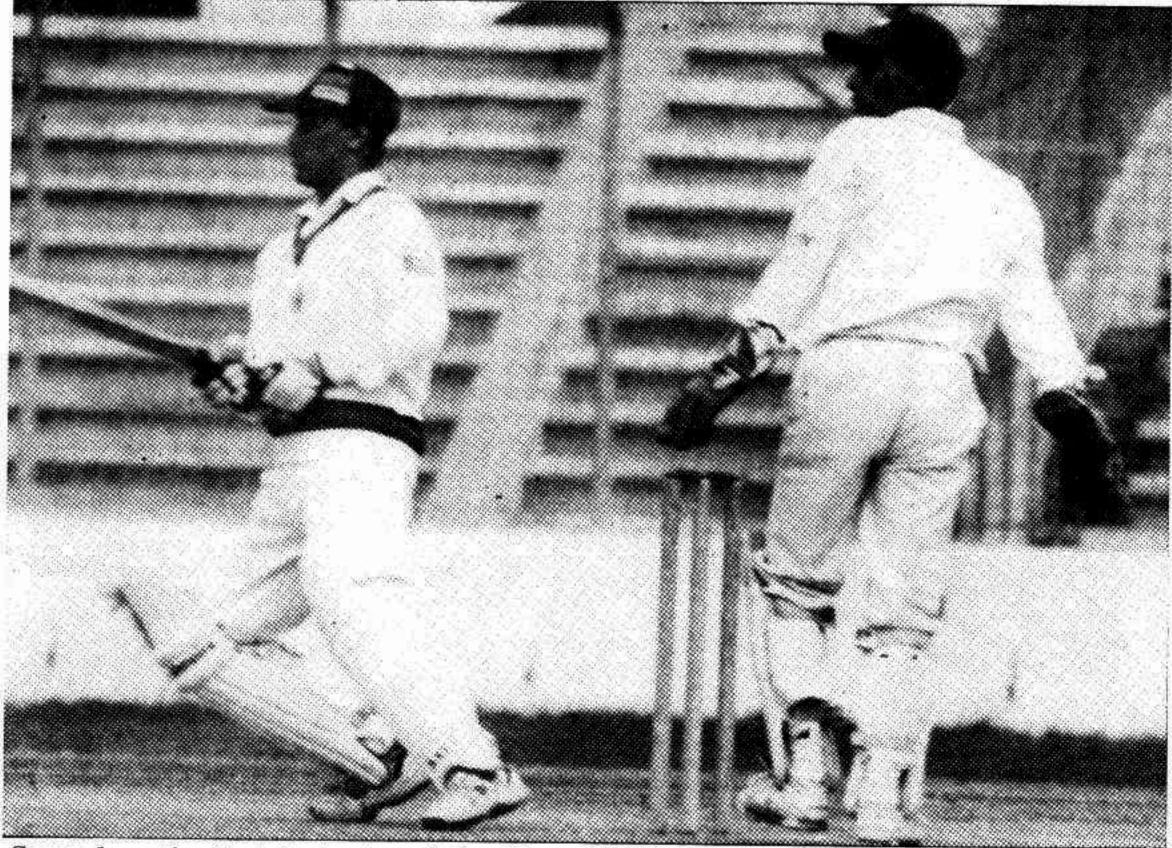
ROME, Jan 7 (Reuters/ Internet): Uruguayan defender Paolo Montero became the man sent off most in Italy's Serie A history when he was dismissed in Wednesday's league clash be-

tween Juventus and AC Milan. Montero has been shown the red card 12 times in his eight seasons in Italy - six times for Juventus and six times for his

former club Atalanta Bergamo. His 60th-minute dismissal for deliberate handball in Juve's 1-1 draw at the San Siro took him past Inter Milan veteran Giuseppe Bergomi, who has been sent off 11times.

Montero is also on target to break the record for dismissals in a single Serie A season, which currently stands at four. He has been sent off three times in the first 15 matches of the current campaign -- against AS Roma, Fiorentina and Mi-

lan.



Scene from the first day's play of the Biman-Kalabagan match of the Janakantha Premier League at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday.

Ajax scent maiden win, Dhanmondi match 50-50

# Biman set to remain unbeaten

Aminul Islam slammed his second half-century of the season to glide title aspirants Biman to a fighting total against Kalabagan Krira Chakra in a Janakantha Premier Division Cricket League match, which began at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday. In another match, Agrani

Bank mustered 221 against Victoria Sporting at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium.

Away at the BKSP, Ajax Sporting almost ensured their maiden victory in the elite league in a match against promotees Sadharan Bima at the end of day one.

Aminul Islam, the national skipper, scored 62 runs as the national airliners, opting to bat first in the two-day affair after calling the coin correctly, went on to score 275 for nine at the end of their stipulated 80 overs against the lakeside outfit. Kalabagan's captain Saiful Islam was dropped from the first eleven for poor form.

Aminul put on a 60-run partnership with captain Faruque Ahmed for the third wicket in 13.3 overs and then added another 53 runs with Habibul Bashar to help Biman recover well from a rather slow start.

The two Biman openers Javed Omar and Ziaur Rashid gave Biman 47 runs in 20 overs before the latter was caught at point by discarded Pakistan international Ghulam Ali off a Mushfigur Rahman delivery. In his eye-sore of a 90-minute stay at the crease, Ziaur Rashid took 72 balls to score 16, half of which came from two bound-

Biman lost their second wicket on 66 when Javed Omar, a national opener, edged to wicketkeeper Jubayer Ishtiaque while trying to drive medium pacer Ghulam Ali. Javed scored 35 off 64 balls in 108 minutes inclusive of five fours.

Biman's slow progress came to an end at that point when Aminul joined Faruque. The partnership was broken by leftarm spinner Sharfuddowla Ibne Shahid, who bowled Faruque on 28 with a straight delivery. The Biman skipper, who took 75 balls for his 28, missed the line of the ball as he tried to sweep the southpaw through square leg.

After Faruque's departure with Biman on 126 in the 49th over, Aminul took the score to 179 with discarded national middle-order Habibul Bashar before being trapped leg beforeby Kalabagan's Pakistani allrounder Shahid Saeed in the 62nd over.

Aminul, in his 124-ball stay at the crease, hammered five sweetly timed hits across the

In the remaining 18 overs, Biman scored 96 runs. Almost all the lower orders batted well to take the score to a fighting total. If they can defend that against Kalabagan today, Bi-man will remain as the only unbeaten team in the 12-team league having won all their previous five matches.

At the Dhanmondi Stadium, Agrani Bank's moderate total of 221 against Victoria was built around two half centuries from Pakistani middle-order Shaheen Malik and one-down Rajin Saleh, who scored 61 and 53 runs respectively. Among others. Zakaria chipped in with an unbeaten 33.

In reply, Victoria were on 33 for no loss in 13 overs.

For Victoria, off-spinner Sabbir Khan returned with three for 47, while Rakib Hasan and Mustadir captured two wickets each.

Away at the BKSP, Sadharan Bima, electing to bat first, were shot out for a meagre 178 by Ajax Sporting. Indian Kamal Chopra saved the insurancemen from increased embarrassment with a dazzling 86 while his compatriot Rajinder Singh, who scored successive centuries

Hadi

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in their previous two matches, was the other notable run-getter with 27.

Aminul Islam finished with three for 26. In reply, Ajax were half way through by scoring 88 for one in

Ajax's new-ball bowler

21 overs. All the three matches will continue today.

### SCOREBOARDS

Scoreboards of the three Janakantha Premier Division cricket league matches began at different venues yesterday: Biman v Kalabagan KC (Venue: Bangabandhu National Stadium)

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#### Sub jr chess Ejaj earns solo lead

Sayed Ejaj Hossain defeated Mohammad Javed to earn a solo lead in the 19th Sub-junior national chess tournament af-

with Javed in the fourth round, outwitted his opponent in 27 moves adopting Sicilian defence with black piece. This is the fifth straight win for Ejaj that raised his individual

Defending champion Ruhul Islam Boby is in the second position with 4.5 points after picking his fourth win beating Mohammadullah Mohan.

Six players — Javed, Obaidul Islam, Golam Mostafa, Tanvir Talukdar, Monir and Farhad position with four points.

Obaidul beat Sagar, Mostafa Arif and Farhad drew with

Six the round ties of the nine-round Swiss league meet will begin today.

16 chess tournament will begin today at the chess federation. part in the competition arranged by Khelaghar Asar.

in West Indies' second innings in the fourth Test which South Africa won by 149 runs at Newlands on Wednesday to lead the series 4-0.

bowling all-rounder Lance Klusener will replace him in an otherwise unchanged side. SQUAD

Gary Kirsten, Herschelle Gibbs, Jacques Kallis, Daryll Cullinan, Hansie Cronje (captain), Jonty Rhodes, Shaun Pollock, Mark Boucher, Allan Donald, David Terbrugge, Paul

#### Steve pulls for Shane

BRISBANE, Jan 7: Australia's injured limited-overs cricket captain Steve Waugh has given his full support to replacement Shane Warne, who is embroiled in a bookmaker scandal, reports AP.

Waugh will miss the opening

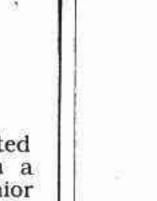
The decision to give Warne a leadership role has divided commentators in Australia, but he was given the captaincy last year when the Australian Cricket Board knew of Warne's bookmaker dealings but had covered them up.

ternational cricket for this week's fifth Test after a ninemonth absence because of a shoulder problem.

top official said on Thursday.

'We have always said the security of the Pakistan team was of the highest concern," Pakistan Cricket Board chairman Khalid Mahmood said by telephone from Lahore.

"We are sending a delegate to istan High Commission, will assess the extent and nature of the threat." He said Pakistan still planned to go ahead with



ter the fifth round matches at the NSC Chess Room yesterday. reports APB. Ejaj, who shared the lead

points tally to 5 points.

Imam - are sharing the third

won over Farhadul Islam, Tanvir outplayed Lorel, Monir beat Parag in the day's other engagements.

Meanwhile, two-day under-

Above 50 players will take

#### SA stick to same 12

CAPE TOWN, Jan 6 (Reuters/ Internet): South Africa named an unchanged 12 on Wednesday for the fifth and final Test against West Indies at Centurion Park starting on January

Convenor of selectors Peter Pollock said they would also field the same XI if Allan Donald recovered from a slightly pulled hamstring. Donald was unable to bowl

If Donald is unfit, pace-

Thackeray. Adams, Lance Klusener.

matches of the tri-series against England and Sri Lanka because of a hamstring injury.

Warne only returned to in-

### Pakistan to assess the atmosphere

KARACHI, Jan 7 (Reuters/ Internet): Pakistan are sending a representative to India to assess the threat to their cricket tour posed by Hindu activists, a

India, who along with the Pak-



PATHETIC: A groundsman inspects the Ferozeshah Kotla pitch at Delhi which was dug-up by radical Shiv Sena activists. -Internet photo

## Shiv Sena vows to resist Pak tour Ferozeshah pitch dug up



NEW DELHI, Jan 7 (Reuters/AFP): Activists of a right-wing Hindu party dug up the pitch at Ferozesh-

ah Kotla Cricket Stadium on Wednesday, three weeks before a Test match between India and Pakistan, and vowed to prevent the fixture from going ahead. The match, the first on In-

dian soil between the two archfoes in almost a decade is scheduled to start on January Satish Sharma, club secretary of the Delhi and District

Cricket Association (DDCA) said that about 20 Shiv Sena activists broke into the stadium by climbing over a 1.85-metre high wall at around 11:00 pm (1730 GMT).

The activists were protesting against the Delhi Cricket Board's decision to hold the match despite warnings by firebrand Shiv Sena leader Bal

The party said they would "go to any exigent" to prevent the Pakistani cricketers from playing in India. "Games are played between

friends and not enemies," said Jaya Bhagwan Goel, the head of the party's Delhi unit. "How can you play with a country which is bent on destroying you.'

Goel also threatened physical assault on the tourists, saying "It was now for Pakistan to think about the safety of it's players, everything is possible

in this charged atmosphere." In Bombay, Shiv Sena spokesman Subhash Desai said the vandals were "real patriots," and warned that the Pakistanis would not be allowed to play

"even if the venues are shifted." Satish Pradhan, a Shiv Sena representative in parliament, told he was proud of what his party workers had done and added that no amount of security could prevent them from agitating against the cricket fixture.

"Every one has his own methods of agitation, they have done this thing and I am proud of it when we say that Pakistan should not be invited to India then we mean it." Pradhan said. DDCA's Sharma said: "They came with shovels and other

ately began to dig the pitch. They also beat up the four police constables who were on duty." Police arrested four activists, who were charged with criminal trespass and criminal

such instruments and immedi-

intimidation. Sharma said the pitch would be repaired in time and the match would not be cancelled. "They have damaged the pitch considerably but it is not irre-

pairable," he said. Sharma said security had been beefed up after the inci-

Shiv Sena, which commands a huge following in Bombay, Maharashtra state's

capital, says India and Pak-

istan, which have tense relations and a bitter territorial dispute over Kashmir, should not play sport while India's soldiers suffer in border violence.

Wednesday's incident followed recent attacks on cinema halls by Shiv Sena activists enraged by a film, "Fire," which depicts an intimate relationship between two woman who find solace in each other's company after being neglected by their husbands.

In the past, Shiv Sena has opposed visits by Pakistani artists and sportsmen to India and has campaigned for strict control of theatre, music and other forms of culture.

Pakistan tours to India have been called off in the past after threats by Hindu militants, Shiv Sena activists dug up a pitch in Bombay in 1991 to sabotage one.

India and Pakistan share a passion for cricket which goes back to their days under colonial rule but have fought three wars since the end of British rule in 1947.

Pradhan said the Shiv Sena would ensure that Pakistan did not play any cricket matches in India.

. When every day so many of our soldiers are being killed by Pakistanis on the borders, they are carrying out militant activists in Kashmir and Punjab, then how can we invite them to come and play in our cities?"

Pradhan said.

# For & against the visit



KARACHI, Jan 7: Pakistan captain designate Wasim Akram today stressed an Indian tour must go ahead despite threats from a militant Hindu group to scuttle

it, reports AFP. The reaction followed the digging up of Ferozshah Stadium pitch in New Delhi by Hindu militants from the Shiv Sena Party on Wednesday.

"It's very sad to hear that some people are bent upon mixing sports and politics. It's very sad that they have showed their anger on a pitch whereas it should have been left to play only," Wasim told.

"We are going there to better the relations between the two countries and I hope the Indian government will not allow a handful of people to deprive cricket lovers of some action and tension-packed cricket." PCB chief executive Majid

Khan said the team's tour to In-

dia was in no danger and would

go ahead as planned.

"We are monitoring the situation and since the Indian government has given the clearance there are no fears," Majid

Police tightened security

around the Kotla ground and

the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) ordered other centres staging Pakistan's matches to follow suit. "All the venues will be protected with immediate effect," BCCI secretary Jayawant Lele

said, adding he was in constant

touch with the Indian govern-

ment and Pakistani cricket of-

ficials. Pakistan and India have not played any Test series for the last nine years and the scheduled tour will be Pakistan's first to India since 1987, Pakistan have cancelled two tours of India due to threats from Hindu

"Both governments have given the go ahead for the tour and Indian Premier has been very keen to see the tour go through, so it should go on," the Pakistan captain said.

fundamentalists.



Three Shiv Sena activists damaging the pitch of the Ferozeshah Kotla Stadium on Wednesday night. -AP/UNB photo

Pakistan are scheduled to play three Tests, three limitedover games and two side games during their proposed tour.

Indian cricket officials also

pledged that Pakistan's first

Test series on Indian soil in 12 years would go ahead despite damage to one of the venues by Hindu militants. Delhi cricket secretary Sunil Dev said the damage was "minimal and repairable" and was

confident the wicket would be ready for the start of the Test series on January 28. "Cricket lovers all over India are waiting for this tour, and we will make sure it takes place." Dev said. "We cannot be taken to ransom by fanatics not inter-

ested in the game.' A Pakistan hockey team is due to play four Tests in India in February but hockey officials said the tour was in no

Wasim said security concerns would increase after the incident but said he has never felt insecured playing in India. "People in India are very loving and caring and they want to

see Pakistani players in action," Wasim said. However, former selector committee chairman Hasib Ehsan said the Indian tour should be cancelled.

"What will we achieve by touring India when we are so unwelcome there and this latest digging up issue is very serious and puts Pakistani players' security in danger?" Ehsan said. "On a much lesser issue the

West Indies and Australia had

refused to play in Sri Lanka in

the 1996 World Cup. Pakistani

security must clear the arrangements or else there is no use of the tour.' Former player Haroon Rasheed who managed Pakistan to India in the Independence Cup in 1997 said the tour

"It still depends on both the governments and respective boards. The fear has crept in and they can also harm the players," Rasheed said. Pakistan Cricket Board

chairman Khalid Mahmood,

hangs in balance.

who was due to leave for New Zealand to attend ICC meeting. was not available for comment. Mahmood last month said his Board would monitor secu-

rity till the last moment and then decide about touring India.