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ENERGY RELEASING VITAMINS



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Biman struggle on day one

Sports Reporter

BRIEF SCORES

Biman: (First innings) 211 for 7 at stumps (Ahmed Faiyaz 63, Halim 48, Atiar 46. Ziaur batting 28; Wahidul 3/22, Khairuzzaman 1/42, Aminul 1/9)

Bangladesh Biman scored 211 for seven against Jessore at stumps on the first day of the four-day 25th National Cricket Championship final at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday.

Ahmed Faiyaz Shaheen notched a captains knock of 63 after his opening partner Rafiqul fell for only five.

Biman were off to an uncertain start after opting to bat in the morning when they were reduced to 13 for two in 8.5 overs. But Faiyaz the tall right-hander, played sensibly and steadied the rocking boat putting on 95 runs for the third wicket with Halim Shah, who fell for two runs short of what could have been a well- deserved half

century. Faiyaz added another 42 runs for the fourth wicket with Atiar before medium pacer Khairuzzaman ended his 186ball vigil which included half a dozen fours. Wicketkeepr Atiar quickly followed his captain after making 46 off 74 balls.

Ziaur Rashid, instrumental for Biman's sensational fourwicket win over Mymensingh in the semi-final, then took his side past the 200-mark. The experienced right-hander was batting on 28 with Shariful Haq (2) when the stumps were drawn af-ter the allotted 90 over.

Wahidul Islam was the leading wicket-taker for Jessore with three for 22 runs in his eight overs.

Tapalovic to join TSV 1860

BONN, Apr 8 (Reuters/Internet): Croatian midfielder Filip Tapalovic will move to TSV 1860 Munich from fellow German first division club Schalke 04 on a free transfer at the end

of the season, the Munich club said on Thursday. The 22-year-old, who joined Schalke in 1997 from VfL Bochum, signed a two-year

contract.

Column One Greenidge breaks his silence

Sports Reporter

Tight-lipped Cu-thbert Gordon Greenidge came self at last.

Caribbean out of his mute

coach of Bangladesh, who carefully avoided the local media for months, put in a word for cricketers at a commemoration ceremony, organised one-day advance to mark the second anniversary of Bangladesh's qualification for the 1999 World Cup, at the BKSP yester-

could not fulfil the 'high' expectation of the nation in last two years after it won the ICC Trophy in Malaysia. Bangladesh registered their maiden appearance in the World Cup on April 9 in 1997 when they defeated Scotland in the ICC Trophy semifinals by 72 runs to set up a final clash with Kenya.

ducted as coach in November, 1996, did not want to pass the

ing. I don't think that majority how difficult a task it has become for the national team to live up to their expectations rather than to players' expecta-

is for us to look to improve with said the former West Indies opener, breaking his mute spell of more than nine months.

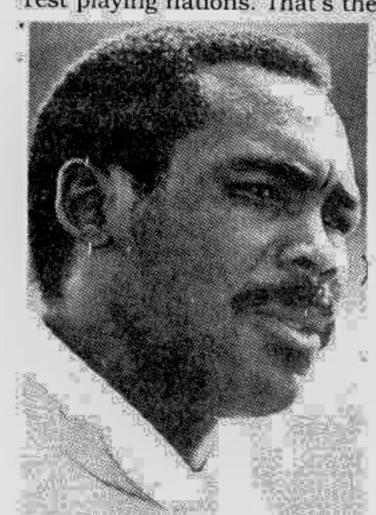
"Cricket is not just about playing, batting and bowling and fielding. It is also a brain

For us ... for Bangladesh ... to progress further in the international cricket, it is important that we look to establish a strong local fixture first. And, in doing so, in the long run, we may have a better chance," he

Tanna, team manager for the World Cup team, told a news agency Wednesday that Bangladesh had little chance of winning any match in the England carnival. But Greenidge. whose role as coach came into controversy along with the Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) lately, is, however, a bit more optimistic about winning a match.

"The immediate future of

bly in the World Cup and I will have to say that there is one match we have to look to win. That's the match against Scot-land because we will be playing the other matches against the Test playing nations. That's the



match that we really have to look forward to and win. If not win, make it very difficult... not as we have done in the recent past. We have been making things to easy for our oppositions," Greenidge said.

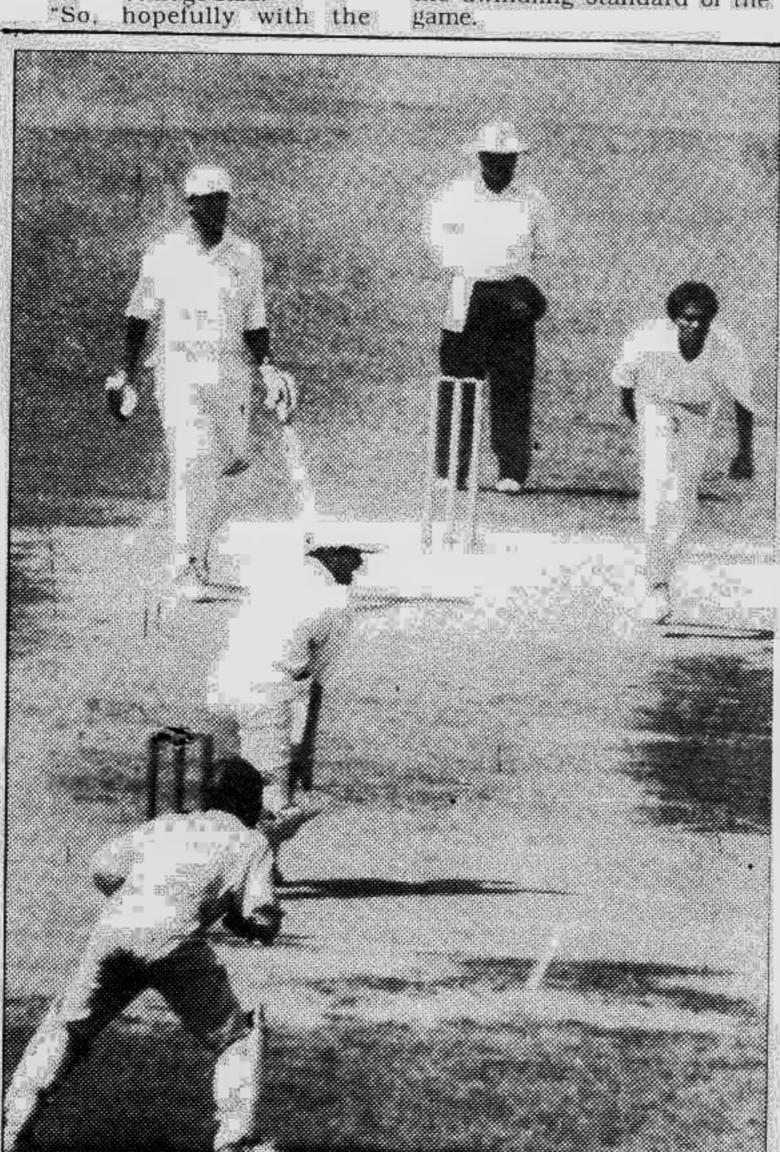
blessing and support of the na-tion, we will be able to do this and be creditable not just for go-ing to World Cup but for Bangladesh cricket in the future. Let those who are watching see that the players are interested. Yes, they do have the knowledge. But unfortunately we have not been putting to-gether regularly and, yes, we are looking to establish ourselves in the international arena of cricket.

Greenidge rounded up his short speech by saying 'this is for the future. Don't run too fast. Start and build, and work slowly to reach the target'.

State Minister for Youth and

Sports Obaidul Quader, manager Tanveer Mazhar Tanna. physic Alan Hunt and members of Bangladesh team were present at the hurriedly organised programme by the sports supremo. Noted singers Shakila Zafar and Shuvro Dev entertained the audience afterwards.

But it was noted that none from the BCB attended the ceremony. The occasion however put a question mark on necessity of holding such programme when the organisers failed miserably in recent times to uplift the dwindling standard of the



the off side during the first day of the 25th national cricket championship final at the Bangabandhu Stadium yesterday. - Star photo

Sports Reporter Bangladesh Cricket Board

Call to reinstate Abedin

BCB meeting

blasts selection

committee

Sadharan Bima at the Moulana Bhasani Stadium.

(BCB) in a meeting at the BKSP yesterday have recommended to dissolve the present selection committee and include experienced all-rounder Minhazul Abedin in the 15-man World Cup squad.

Chaired by BCB vice-president Ali Khabir Chand, the meeting strongly condemned the three-man selection committee led by Enayet Hossain Siraj for their controversial team selection that sparked wide spread criticism across the country.

President of BCB Saber Hossain Chowdhury and his general secretary however were not present in the meeting which was attended by 18 out of 33 neimbers .

The meeting also strongly recommended to include Minhazul Abedin in the Bangladesh World Cup squad . Talking to The Daily Star

over telephone last night the BCB joint-secretary Mahmud Ul Haque said that the final decision will be made by the board president. The BCB boss failed to attend

the meeting as he was reportedly suffering from fever. The general secretary Syed Ashraful Hug was out of the country.

Yousuf strikes thrice for Abahani

Sports Reporter

A hattrick from Pakistan recruit Imran Yousuf guided title aspirants Abahani to a 3-0 win over Sadharan Bima in their return leg clash of the Green Delta Premier Division hockey league at the Moulana Bhasani Stadium yesterday.

All Yousuf's goals were the result of penalty corners in the 29th, 49th and 66th minutes.

Abahani, with their seventh win against a defeat, took a solo lead in the eight-team elite league having raised their tally to 22 points. For Bima it was their seventh defeat against a draw which kept them at the bottom of the table with a lone

In the other match, Mariner Youngs' Club and Ajax Sporting Club played out a seven-goal thriller.

The topsy-turvy match was locked 2-2 after the first ses-

Javed, Shahid, Biaka Lusai and Yousuf scored for the winners while Tito, Ehsan and Moudud reduced the margin for Ajax. Mariner earned a total of 11

while Ajax have seven points on completion of the same number of outings. Meanwhile, the remaining 14 minutes of the encounter between Mohammedan Sporting Club and Azad Sporting Club

points from eight matches

were completed before the day's scheduled matches. Azad, who were leading the proceedings 3-0 before Mohammedan staged a walk-off on Wednesday after their demand for a penalty stroke was turned

down by umpire UC Marma. added one more to their credit. Moksed, instrumental before the farce, made it 4-0 through a penalty stroke in the 64th minute. Mohammedan's first defeat,

left the popular Motijheel outfit three points adrift of rivals and co-leaders Abahani. Mohammedan have 19 points. Azad's shock win was only their second in eight matches which raised their account to seven points.

PNSC outclass BCB XI

Sports Reporter

Nasirul Alam, coming in to The touring Bangladesh Cricket play in place of Faruque, scored a patient 23. But the much-Board (BCB) Eleneeded partnership appeared to be a rare commodity as wickets ven took a reverse gear following spirited showing fell at regular intervals. against Customs on Wednesday Al-Shahriar, the man-of-the

when they conceded a nine-

wicket deleat at the hands of

Pakistan National Shipping

Corporation (PNSC) in their

third group league match of the

championship at the Karachi

sided affair when the consis-

tently inconsistent Bangladesh

cricketers were bundled out for

122 in only 27.1 overs. In reply.

PNSC reached the victory 123

for the loss of one wicket in 33.4

looming large at home, spe-

flight back home with two

matches still left to play as

none seemed inclined to play a

parted for an 18-ball five and

skipper Habibul Bashar re-

Young opener Imran de-

Discarded national opener

Javed Omar, playing his first of

the tour, scored a surprising un-

characteristic 28 off 23 balls be-

fore being bowled by Sajjad Ali.

long innings.

turned for a duck.

Although expectation was

National Stadium yesterday.

President's Cup One-day cricket

The match turned into a one-

Goalmouth action during yesterday's Green Delta Premier Division hockey league clash between Abahani and

match against Coustoms for his brilliant 85, scored a run-a-ball 8 before becoming the third victim of Sajjad Ali. Although Hasanuzzaman

remained unbeaten on 18, the fragile tail perished in no time after Al-Shahriar departed playing a rash shot. Sajjad Ali, who ripped through the top order, finished with four for 36 runs in his

seven overs. New-ball bowler Irfan Fazil also claimed four wickets giving away 38 runs. The BCB score might have been well below the three figure mark had not the undisciplined cially after their creditable PNSP conceded 33 extra runs, which eventually stood out as

seven-run win over the strong Customs team in the previous the highest contribution to the match, the second string na-BCB total tional side demonstrated a de-PNSC, in their chase, made moralising display of batting. no nonsense of a serious busi-It was not confirmed wheness when they cruised to victher the batters were in a hurry tory in a most professional way to catch the first available with opener Shahdab Kabir

notching an unbeaten 59. Off-spinner Fahim Muntasir was the lone successful BCB bowler. He captured the wicket of Mohammed Ramza for 35.

With this defeat, their second from three outings, the BCB team's hopes of making into the next round of the most colourful event in Pakistan is almost over. The visitors will play

at the same venue tomorrow.

their next match against Queta

SCOREBOARD Scoreboard of the Presiden-

- Star photo

t's Cup one-day cricket match between Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) Eleven and Pakistan National Shipping Corporation (PNSC) yesterday: BCB XI Imran e Iqbal b Irfan

Javed b Sajjad Habibul c Mutahir b Rashed Nasirul b Sajjad Al-Shahriar b Sajjad Hasanuzzaman not out Mushfigur Ibw b Sajjad Fahim b Irfan Murtaza b Rashed Murshed Ali b Rashed

Aminul Jr lbw b Irfan Extras: (lb-2, nb-13, w-18) Total: (all out in 27.1 overs) 122 Fall of wkts: 1-17; 2-22; 3-65;

4-80; 5-89; 6-93; 7-95; 8-95; 9-Omar Rashed Irfan Fazil Sajjad Ali Yasir Shakeeb

Sajjad Akbar PNSC Ramzan c Nasirul b Fahim

S Kabir not out Faisal not out Extras: (nb-1, w-8) Total: (for 1 wkt in 33.4 overs) Fall of wkt: 1-83 Bowler Aminul Islam Jr

Morshed Ali Khan Fahim Muntasir Javed Omar Hasanuzzaman Nasirul Alam 2.4 Result: PNSC won by 9 wickets

Griffith's gallantry fails to stop Australia



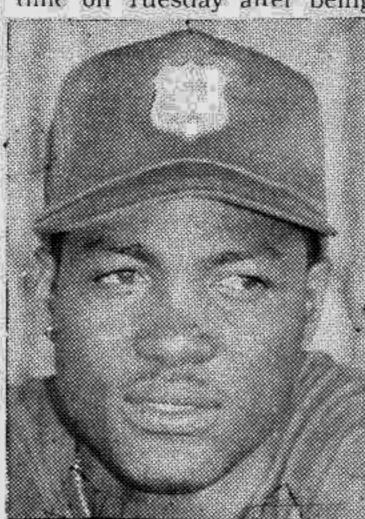
Reuters.

tigua, Apr 8: A defiant 56 by opener Adrian Griffith failed to deny Australia a comprehensive 176-run win over West Indies in the fourth and final Test on Wednesday to square the series 2-2, reports

ST JOHN, An-

West Indies, facing a huge victory target of 388, never looked capable of withstanding the Australian attack and were dismissed for 211. The visitors retained the Frank Worrell Trophy they won by beating West Indies on their previous tour four years ago.

Griffith, forced to retire for a time on Tuesday after being



LARA.... m-o-s

struck on the elbow by fast bowler Glenn McGrath, was the only batsman to show the necessary determination before he was ninth out.

Resuming at 105 for four. West Indies were quickly deeper in trouble when Jimmy Adams was splendidly stumped by Ian Healy down the leg side from the off-spin of Colin Miller for

Healy's smart work when

Adams briefly over-balanced continued a fine performance behind the stumps after poor

games in the previous two Tests. The young left-hander batted for four hours and 40 minutes facing 218 balls, and was a little unlucky to be given out. He padded up to a big-turning leg break from Stuart MacGill which umpire Steve Bucknor ruled would have hit the stumps.

Greg Blewett claimed his second slightly dubious leg before wicket decision of the innings when Dave Orchard gave Ridley Jacobs out for 16 although the ball looked to have pitched outside leg stump. MacGill, controversially but correctly chosen for this match

ahead of Shane Warne had a poor match for the first four days, struggling for accuracy and rarely being used by Steve Waugh. But on the final day Waugh gave MacGill an extended spell

which continued with the second new ball and the bowler responded with three wickets. MacGill claimed Nehemiah Perry caught at mid-wicket for 26, bowled Curtly Ambrose for

four and then trapped Griffith leg before. Fittingly McGrath took the last wicket, his third of the innings, when Corey Collymore fended a short ball to MacGill in the gully.

The Australians celebrated on the field and guzzled cans of specially imported beer in the dressing room:

SCOREBOARD Scoreboard at the énd of play on the fifth and final day of fourth and last Test between West Indies and Australia here

on Wednesday:

AUSTRALIA: First innings 303 (S Waugh 72 n.o., Langer 51; Ambrose 5-95) WEST INDIES: First innings 222 (Lara 100)

AUSTRALIA: Second in-

nings 306 (Langer 127, M Waugh WEST INDIES: Second in-

nings (overnight 105-4)

Griffith lbw b MacGill

Joseph c Miller b Dale

Lara lbw b McGrath

Hooper lbw b Blewett

Jacobs lbw b Blewett

Ambrose b MacGill

Adams st Healy b Miller

Perry c Slater b MacGill

Campbell e Healy b McGrath

Collymore c MacGill b McGrath Walsh not out Extras: (b-5, lb-12, nb-3) Fall of wkts: 1-56; 2-58; 3-69; 4-87; 5-105; 6-145; 7-184; 8-190; O M R W Bowler 35.5 15 50 McGrath

LANGER.... m-o-m

26 8 80 MacGill 21 10 27 Miller 8 3 Blewett Result: Australia won by 176 runs.

Series: Drawn 2-2. Australia retain Frank Worrell Man-of-the-match: Justin

Trophy. Langer. Man-of-the-series: Brian

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He admitted that his team

But Greenidge, who was inbuck only on players for a series of disappointing performances since the ICC euphoria.

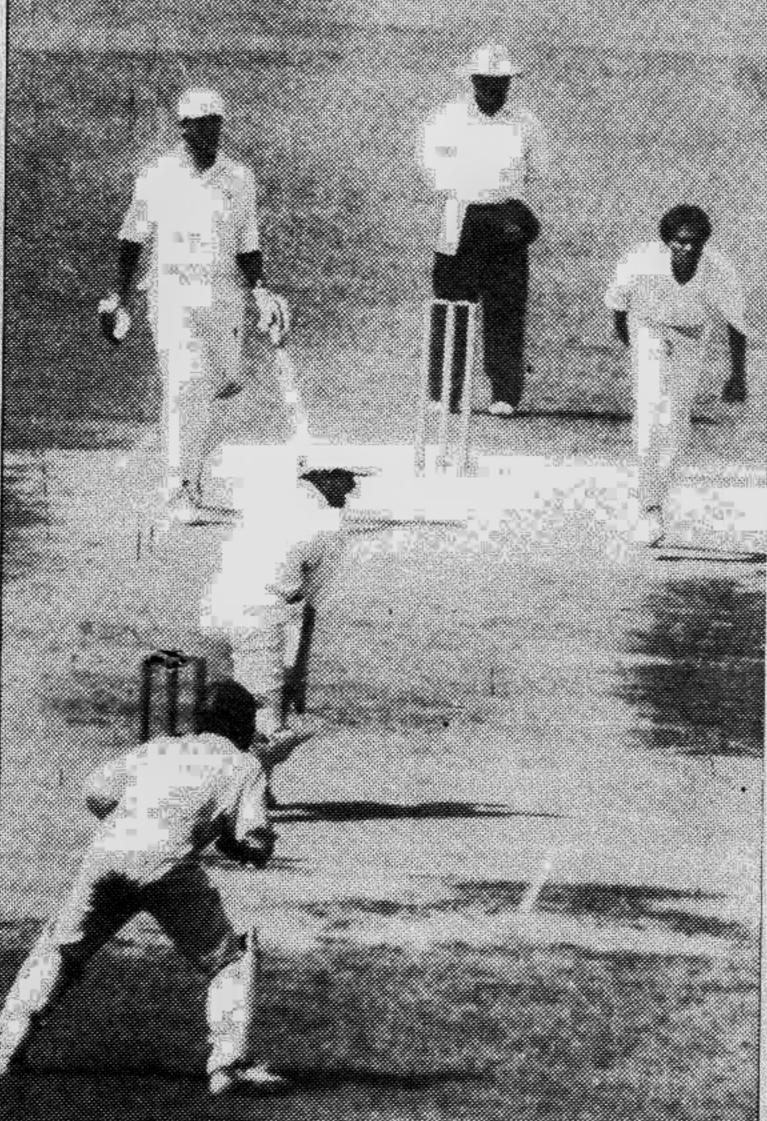
"It wasn't for the lack of tryof people or supporters of cricket in Bangladesh realise

"But when you compete against other national bodies, who are already established, it makes the job twice as hard. It every game and every tournament. And that is the best we can hope for at the moment."

"In the long run, the experience of playing against the top nations whether in competition, first class competition or practice matches, we hope that that would give us necessary armoury to fight in the arena of international cricket for the fu-

game and if we do not have the players already in the mood of thinking how to establish themselves, how to read certain situations, we will still be fighting to meet the international

Meanwhile, Tanvir Mazhar



Biman's Halim Shah plays Jessore's Aminul Islam towards

Bangladesh is to perform credi-Inzamam clobbers India

SHARJAH, United Arab Emirates. Apr 8: Inzamamul Hag smashed a Liglorious 107 as Pakistan piled up 279-8 from 50 overs against virus-stricken India in the Champions' Trophy here today.

Inzamam hit six boundaries and three sixes while sharing a 140-runs stand for the fourth wicket with Yousuf Youhana who made 57. Pakistan, looking for their eighth successive win against their beleaguered arch-rivals,

hammered 92 in the last 10

reports AFP.

overs as Inzamam moved from 50 to his sixth one-day hundred off just 29 balls. The Indians earned some respite in the end when four wickets fell in the 50th over bowled by Venkatesh Prasad including three off the last three deliveries that featured

two run outs. The Indians, already miss-ing their injured superstar Sachin Tendulkar, woke up in the morning to find five players

— Vinod Kambli, Amay Khurasia, Ajit Agarkar, Nayan Mon-gia and Nikhil Chopra — inflicted with viral fever.

With just 10 men fit to play, a visibly distraught Mongia was taken from his sick bed and persuaded to done the wicket keeping gloves. Team coach Anshuman Gaekwad said he has asked for replacements to be flown in for

Kambli, Agarkar and Mongia,

preferably before the next

match against England on Fri-Ijaz Ahmed, who scored a century against England on Wednesday, once again dominated with three sixes and four boundaries in a hard-hitting 38 off 34 balls.

SCOREBOARD Scoreboard of the Pakistan innings in the Champions' Trophy one-day international against India yesterday: PAKISTAN Anwar run out



Did not bat: Saglain Mushtaq. Shoaib Akhtar Fall of wkts: 1-11; 2-56; 3-94 4-234; 5-272; 6-279; 7-279. OMRV Bowler Srinath Prasad 69 Kumble 31 Singh 43 Joshi Ganguly



HURRICANE HAQ: Pakistan's Inzamamul Haq blasts a sixer over mid-wicket during his superb hundred against India yesterday. - Internet photo