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2 Pakistan beat New Zealand in the

semifinal by

9 wks 10 wks 53 runs

3 How many wickets did NZ bowler

Geoff Allott capture in the World

Cup

18 21 20

4 Sajid Mushtaq scored his

hattrick against which country?

Kenya Zimbabwe Bangladesh

5 How many runs did Minhazul

Abedin score in the World Cup

120 140 140

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Saber re-elected

President of Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) Saber Hossain Chowdhury was yesterday elected an executive board member of the International Cricket Council (ICC) from the associate members group, reports BSS.

The election of three members to the ICC executive board was held at the annual general meeting of the associate group of ICC at Lord's, according to a message received in Dhaka from London.

The other two members elected were Jimmy Rayani from Kenya and J Holmen from Denmark.

Representatives from seven countries took part in the election. Saber Hossain was elected to the ICC executive board for the last two years.

BCB general secretary Syed Ashraful Huq was elected to ICC cricket committee.

Lillee to look into Agarkar's action

CHENNAI, June 22: Indian medium pacer, Ajit Agarkar, is to undergo training to correct his 'defective bowling action' (for being past side-on) under the tutelage of speed ace, Dennis Lillee, who is here to take stock of the trainees at the MRF Pace foundation, reports PTI.

Agarkar took lessons from Lillee for a day on the advice of Sachin Tendulkar during the camp here in August last for the Indian team before their tour to Toronto.

Tendulkar had then spoken to Lillee about Agarkar's problems on the day he (Tendulkar) left Chennai for Australia to meet Don Bradman on his 90th birthday.

Lillee, called Professor Emeritus in the art of pace bowling, who was in Chennai then, had given few tips to Agarkar including 'bowling before a mirror' (shadow bowling).

Agarkar, had played a couple of matches in the just concluded World Cup, would undergo training till June 28, according to T A Sekar, coach at the foundation.

Punjab's Harvinder Singh, who had been campaign here for the last one month, as part of a rehabilitation programme would also undergo training. Sekar said.

Champions start like champions

Sports Reporter

Holders Muktijoddha Sangsads Krira Chakra got off to a flying start in the Keaya Premier Division football league with a 5-0 whitewash of Mirpur Chalantika Sporting Club in the inaugural match played at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday.

In a rain interrupted match which started an hour behind the schedule, the all-reds simply ran over the Mirpur outfit.

Buoyed by the presence of their two Nigerian booters Aliyu Rahman and Effian Muktijoddha meant business right from the word go and confirmed a cakewalk even before the lemon break with an unassailable 5-0 lead in the first 45 minutes.

However, it was a suicidal goal that opened the flood-gate in the 13th minute with Mirpur Chalantika defender Dulal earning the dubious reputation of heading into his own net.

Inspired by the early lead, the defending champions went all out against the new comers and gave them a bitter taste of playing football at the top level with a series of offensives.

Effian, who was brought to Bangladesh by his compatriot Aliyu, a member of the Muktijoddha squad which won their



maiden Premier league championship in 1997, headed home the second goal capitalising on

sailed into the upper right-hand corner of the net after kissing the outstretched hands of Chalantika custodian Humayun.

Effian scored his second goal in the 35th minute from close after being nicely fed by his compatriot Aliyu, who pummeled in the fifth goal, heading home a Hasan Al-Mamun corner four minutes before the short whistle.

After a magnificent run in the first half, Muktijoddha's resigned to a casual approach in the second session.

Effian, playing his first match in Dhaka football, almost got his hat-trick in the 76th minute. But his hurriedly taken left-footer slightly missed the far post.

Yellow card: Tushar (Muktijoddha Sangsads)

TEAMS

Muktijoddha Sangsads KC: Biplob (Arun), Hasan Al-Mamun (Mansoor), Jewel Rana, Rajani, Masood Rana, Tito, Tushar, Aliyu Rahman, Liton (Babu), Zaman, Effian and Nakib.

Mirpur Chalantika SC: Humayun (Nayan), Kabir, Rafique, Dulal, Zaglu, Kakan, Rinku, Mamun (Pappu), Sohag, Babu Das and Liton.

Referee: Ibrahim Nesser.

No matches

today

Both matches of the Keaya Metropolis Premier and First Division football league, scheduled for today, have been postponed due to the non-availability of police personnel, reports UNB.

The matches will be held on tomorrow as per previous timings, league committee chairman Abdur Rahim said last night.

Referee: Ibrahim Nesser.

Nat'l hockey

Navy sink
Sylhet

Bangladesh Navy moved into the second round of the BRTC 21st national hockey championship crushing Sylhet 10-0 in the inaugural match at the Maulana Bhasani National Hockey Stadium yesterday, reports UNB.

The winners dominated the first half-4.

Khokon scored five goals while Manik struck twice and Mithu, Mamun and Lukman scored one goal each.

Mithu opened the floodgates early in the 4th minute from a penalty corner while top scorer Khokon doubled the margin in the 11th minute by a field goal.

Later, Khokon scored three field goals in the 25th, 39th, 42nd minutes and another goal in the 50th minute from penalty stroke.

Manik netted two field goals in the 44th and 57th minutes while Mamun scored one field goal in the 27th minute and Lukman completed the winners' tally by a field goal in the 63rd minute.

The rain stopped ten minutes before 4 pm and both the

teams were present at the ground in time. But mysteriously, the match did not kick off. An organiser kept on announcing about the beginning of the league and who was going to inaugurate through public address system for about an hour. He also mentioned the name of the chairman of the league sponsor Keaya Cosmetics Limited for more than 20 times.

After all these happenings, the chief guest arrived at the ground at 4:45 pm and then took another fifteen minutes to formally declare the meet open.

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However, the footballers were given a break, as referee Ibrahim Nesser stopped the match after two and a half minutes. The match re-started after 25 minutes.

Chief guest holds up start!

Sports Reporter

The Keaya Premier Division football League got off to a rainy start at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday. The resumption of the most colourful League after a season's lay-off was also marred by a comedy of errors by the organisers.

The scheduled 4pm start of the first match between Muktijoddha and Chalantika eventually got off at 5pm as the chief guest BFF president and DCC mayor Mohammed Hanif and chairman of the sponsors arrived.

Although, Bangladesh Football Federation member tried to give the excuse of the afternoon shower, it was quiet apparent from the press box that the delay in arrival of guests invited for the inaugural ceremony forced the organisers to start the match an hour late.

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reflected the course of the proceedings on a heavy ground where the big guns in the domestic football almost had their heart in their mouth when Badda's Khokon came up with a scorching right-footer in the 78th minute.

But much to the relief of a surprisingly small group of Mohammadian supporters, the ball hit the post before being rolled out of the ground.

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From the near miss, Badda, who created a sensation in their maiden flight into the elite echelon by defeating Abahani in the Federation Cup, threw caution to the wind towards the big names with a display of better brand of soccer under the able coaching of Sayed Hasan Kanon, the former national and Mohammadian custodian.

The babes not only played neck to neck with their more colourful opponents, but also forced Mohammadian to employ five defenders. It was a rare scene in history of Mohammadian, who has been a

dominant force in the Dhaka football.

Although Mohammadian got off to a positive start in their chase for regaining the coveted League title, the present set hardly looked like a champion force. They still possess the best striking pair and with the return of Monwar Hossain, the defence provided some sort of solidity. But the midfield appeared as ordinary as ever. Besides, Ponir, the long-serving Mohammadian custodian, proved to be a nervous man under the bar at the wrong end of his career.

Yellow cards: Alfaz (MSC), Haider and Riad (Badda).

TEAMS

Mohammadian SC: Ponir, Faisal, Ruhul Amin (Anwar), Monwar, Jahangir, Selim, Motiur, Rakib, Askar Babu, Mizanur (Shoaib) and Alfaz.

Badda Jagorani: Apel, Govinda, Riad, Hasan, Lajuk, Papel, Haider (Asad), Parvez (Prince), Monwar, Khokon and Tanvir (Harun).

Spartak must

play in silence

MOSCOW, June 22: Russian national Spartak Moscow were ordered to play their next home match behind closed doors on Monday after their fans clashed with police at Saturday's game against Zenchuzhina Sochi.

League officials also ruled that Spartak's next home match must be staged at a neutral venue after their stadium became a battleground as hundreds of Spartak fans fought police.

"Although it was mainly Spartak supporters who caused trouble, we decided to punish both clubs," a league spokesman said.

Play stopped and Spartak coach Oleg Romantsev and team captain Ilya Tsymbalar appealed for order.

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