

Column One

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Competition-121

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1	Who won the DMC Cup in Toronto?	India	W Indies	Pakistan
2	Where will the next SAF Games be held?	Maldives	Pakistan	Bhutan
3	How many Test wickets has Kapil Dev taken?	432	433	434
4	Who is the fastest man in South Asia?	Anil	Bijayan	Bimal
5	What is the name of Tendulkar's daughter?	Divya	Sarah	Nisha

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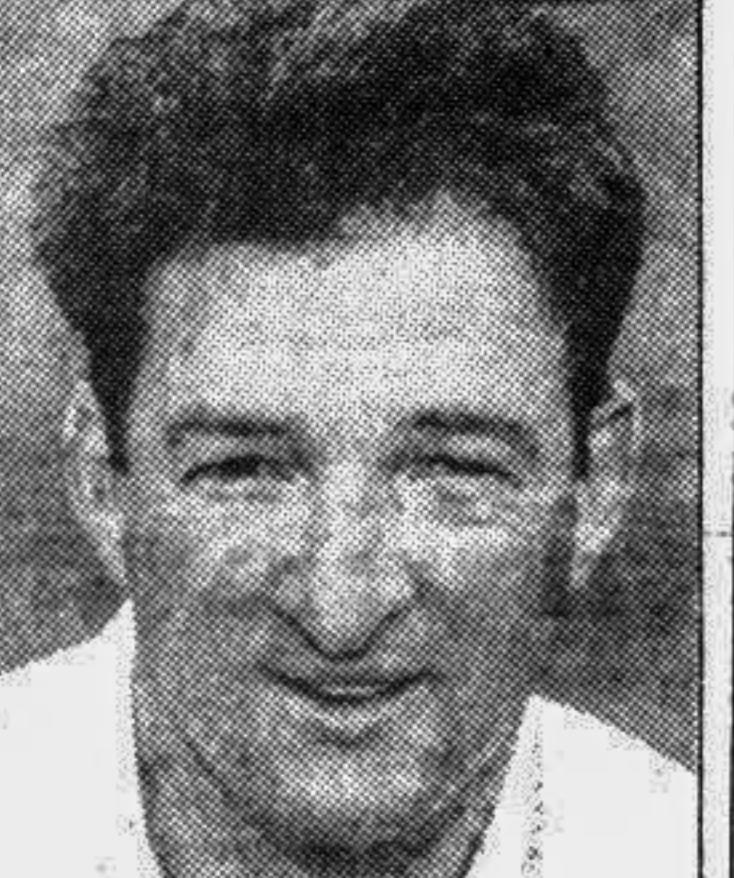
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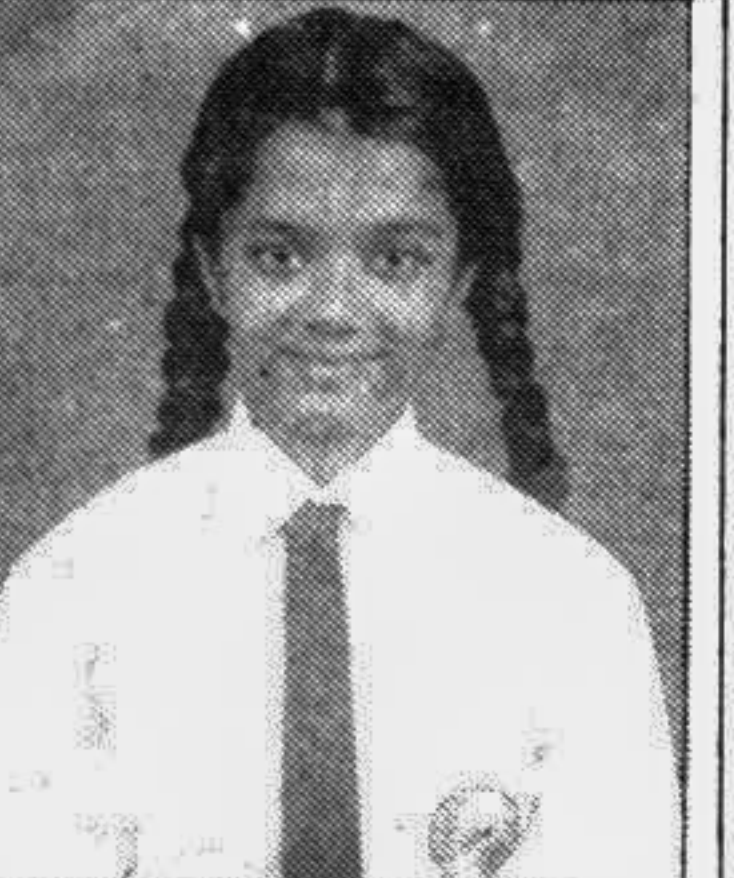
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SPORTS TALK



Mark Waugh
(Australian star batsman)
At the moment it seems every time I bat I make one mistake and that's it. I'm out. I just need a bit of luck.
On his poor batting form.

WHIZZ KID-119 winner



(Sharif Nabila Nusrat)
(South Breeze, Dhanmondi, Dhaka)

WHIZZ KID-120 correct answers

- Who won the Singapore Cricket Challenge?
Ans: W Indies
- Who lifted the 2nd Bangabandhu Cup?
Ans: Japan
- Who was the man-of-the-series in the Awa Cup?
Ans: Gilchrist
- Where will the next ICC mini World Cup be held?
Ans: Kenya
- Who will captain Bangladesh football team in the SAF Games?
Ans: Jewel Rana

WHIZZ KID 120 Boost winner

Nigar Jasmine Hamid
Sunnydale School, Dhaka

Namibia says sorry

WINDHOEK, Oct 1: Namibia's sacked national team begged forgiveness on Thursday following last week's threatened players' strike, reports Reuters. But only four were reinstated in the 18-strong squad for Saturday's Cosafa Castle Cup final second leg against Angola. Fourteen internationals were kicked out on Tuesday after threatening to boycott last Sunday's opening leg in Luanda.



The West Indians on arrival at the Zia International Airport yesterday. — Star photo

Caribbeans in capital

Rabeed Imam

The West Indies cricket team arrived in Dhaka yesterday on a historic tour of Bangladesh. The team is the first official one by a test playing nation. The Caribbean led by captain Brian Lara touched down at the Zia International Airport at around 3:45 pm following a 22-hour jet lag.

Although the West Indies Cricket Board had announced a 15-member team for Dhaka and Sharjah, two experienced members of the side, fast bowler Curtly Ambrose and batsman Jimmy Adams, did not arrive yesterday.

The two are scheduled to join the squad on October 6 for the two-match Biman Millennium Cup one-day international series on October 8 and 9. The games will be day-night affairs. Trans World International (TWI) will provide live coverage of the ODIs.

The Windies tour however kicks off with a three-day Dutch-Bangla first class match on October 4.

On his arrival in the city, the West Indies skipper however opted not to speak to the press, understandably fatigued by the wearying travel. While Lara was seen wearing a earphone and reluctant to talk, manager Clive Lloyd had a brief conversation with some local journalists at the VVIP lounge.

"This tour is important to us but for Bangladesh it will be of greater value," said the legendary former West Indies captain, on his second visit to this country.

Asked what he expects of his very young and relatively inexperienced West Indies side, Lloyd said "I agree that ours is a youthful team, but they are capable and only time will tell how well they can perform."

While Lloyd was talking, his inspirational captain and world record holder in Test and first class batting, Lara indulged himself in a game of cards along with a few of his charges inside the lounge.

The team was then taken to the Pan Pacific Sonargaon Hotel where they will be staying during their 10-day visit.

At the hotel, the visibly tired Windies players were seen anxiously waiting for their room keys. The body language of star attraction Ricardo Powell vividly testified to the physical mood of the team.

The 20-year-old batting prodigy could barely keep his eyes open while he was sitting in the lobby.

However wicket-keeper batsman Ridley Jacobs looked to have some energy left for a few words with this reporter.

"We had a very very long journey with a night's stay in London," said Jacobs. Replying to a query, Jacobs informed: "We didn't do much since the games (against Pakistan and India) in Toronto. Basically we took the time off."

"It feels good to be here again, I'm looking forward to the matches," added Jacobs, for whom it was the second visit like many of his teammates.

The West Indies came to Dhaka last year to participate in the mini World Cup.

Bhuttia set for debut

BURY, England, Oct 1: Bury's new Indian signing Baichung Bhuttia believes he will be the first of many players from the subcontinent to make their mark in British football, reports AFP.

The 22-year-old striker is set to become the first Indian to play professional football in England, with Bury manager Neil Warnock expected to name him on the bench for Saturday's second division clash with Cardiff.

Bhuttia is convinced there are plenty of players waiting to follow in his footsteps in a country where Premiership football is broadcast live on television.

He said: "I shouldn't be surprised to see lots of players coming over here from India. Football is not played in every part of the country but where it is the crowds are really big and the players are starting to improve their standard."

Bhuttia's signing is expected to increase the interest in football among the Asian communities in Britain but he insists he does not feel under any pressure to perform.

He said: "People are talking like that but it's not a burden for me. I don't think it's going to bother me much because most people know I'm just one player on a pitch."

"I just want to focus on my game and not put extra pressure on myself."

"I hope my arrival does bring more fans to Bury though and I hope they will not just support me but my team-mates as well and encourage us to do well."

The striker also hopes his presence on the pitch will help inspire young Asian players in Britain to play the game at a higher level.

He added: "Hopefully me being here can give the kids more confidence to do well in football and have more confidence in themselves."

Tickets go on sale today

Sports Reporter

Tickets for the Dutch-Bangla Bank three-day match between Bangladesh and touring West Indies team will go on sale from today.

Tickets for the Biman Millennium Cup one-day international series will be available from tomorrow.

Tickets will be on sale from 12 different branches of Al Baraka Bank. They are — Principal Office, Dilkusha, VIP Road, Kawranbazar, Gulshan, Mirpur, Islampur, Imamganj, Bangsal, Agargaon and Narayanganj branch.

Rate of Tickets

Hospitality Box (A/C)	Taka 25,000 (for both the three-day & one-day matches)
Hospitality Box (non-A/C)	Taka 20,000 (for both the three-day & one-day matches)
Club House (west)	Taka 100 (for 3-day match) Taka 200 (for 2 one-day matches)
Club House (east)	Taka 75 (for 3-day match) Taka 150 (for 2 one-day matches)
VIP	Taka 200 (for 3-day matches) Taka 300 (for 2 one-day matches)
Special Enclosure	Taka 30 (for 3-day match) Taka 50 (for 2 one-day matches)
International Gallery	Taka 50 (for 3-day match) Taka 75 (for 2 one-day matches)
Western Gallery	Taka 30 (for 3-day match) Taka 50 (for 2 one-day matches)
Eastern Gallery	Taka 20 (for 3-day match) Taka 40 (for 2 one-day matches)

NB: Prices mentioned above except for the Hospitality Boxes are all for a day.



West Indies skipper Brian Lara signing autographs at the VVIP Lounge at ZIA yesterday. — Star photo

SAF football

'Hopeless' Bangladesh face India in semi-final today

From Hasan Masood in Kathmandu

Oct 1: Bangladesh, practically with 'no hope', will take on high-flying India in the first football semi-final of the 8th SAF Games at the Dasharath Stadium here tomorrow afternoon. The match will kick off at 3:15 pm (BST).

The second semi-final between hosts Nepal and emerging force Maldives will also be played tomorrow after the first encounter.

Bangladesh, who have never won the gold in the previous seven occasions despite reaching the final four times, are not at all impressive this time, having made a poor start in the first round.

They lost to Maldives 1-2 in their group B opener and then had to bank on a penalty to beat Sri Lanka in their other group match last Wednesday.

On the other hand, pre-tournament favourites India opened their group A campaign with a morale boosting 5-2 win over archrivals Pakistan. They beat Bhutan 3-0 in their next match before handing home side Nepal a 0-4 drubbing in their final group match last night.

Bangladesh will miss the services of two key defence players—Masud Rana and Rajani Kanta Barman—in tomorrow's match, as they received two yellow cards in the group matches and will be serving a one-match suspension.

Defender Faisal and midfielder Mattur Rahman are likely to replace them, while Anwar Hossain is likely to play in the midfield in place of Mattur Rahman.

India will mostly bank on their in-form striker and captain IM Vijayan, who scored two hat tricks in a row in the first two outings.

"This is going to be a do-or-die affair for Bangladesh and they have to play very carefully," said coach Shamiir Sakir while talking to some Bangladeshi reporters this morning.

"We have very little chance of winning because India is a very powerful side. Their midfield and forward line are more organised than ours."

"We have to keep IM Vijayan, Basudev Mandal and Jules Albert under constant vigilance," said Sakir.

About his tactics tomorrow, Sakir said his team would play defensive and try to score from counter-attacks.

Skipper Jewel Rana also considers Bangladesh's chances as very slim.

"We will try not to leave any room for them," said Jewel.

"This will be our last chance and we will try our best," he added.

Indian coach Shukvinder Singh said it was going to be an important match for them and they will play accordingly.

"We are not looking at whom we are going to face. We are only considering that it is a semi-final match," said Shukvinder, also indicating that his team would be in a 4-4-2 formation tomorrow.

Bangladesh have met India four times in the SAF Games. In the 2nd SAF Games final in Dhaka in 1985, Bangladesh lost through a tiebreaker after the match was locked in a 1-1 draw.

In the fourth SAF games in Islamabad, they drew 0-0 while Bangladesh beat India 2-1 in the next meet in Sri Lanka in 1991.

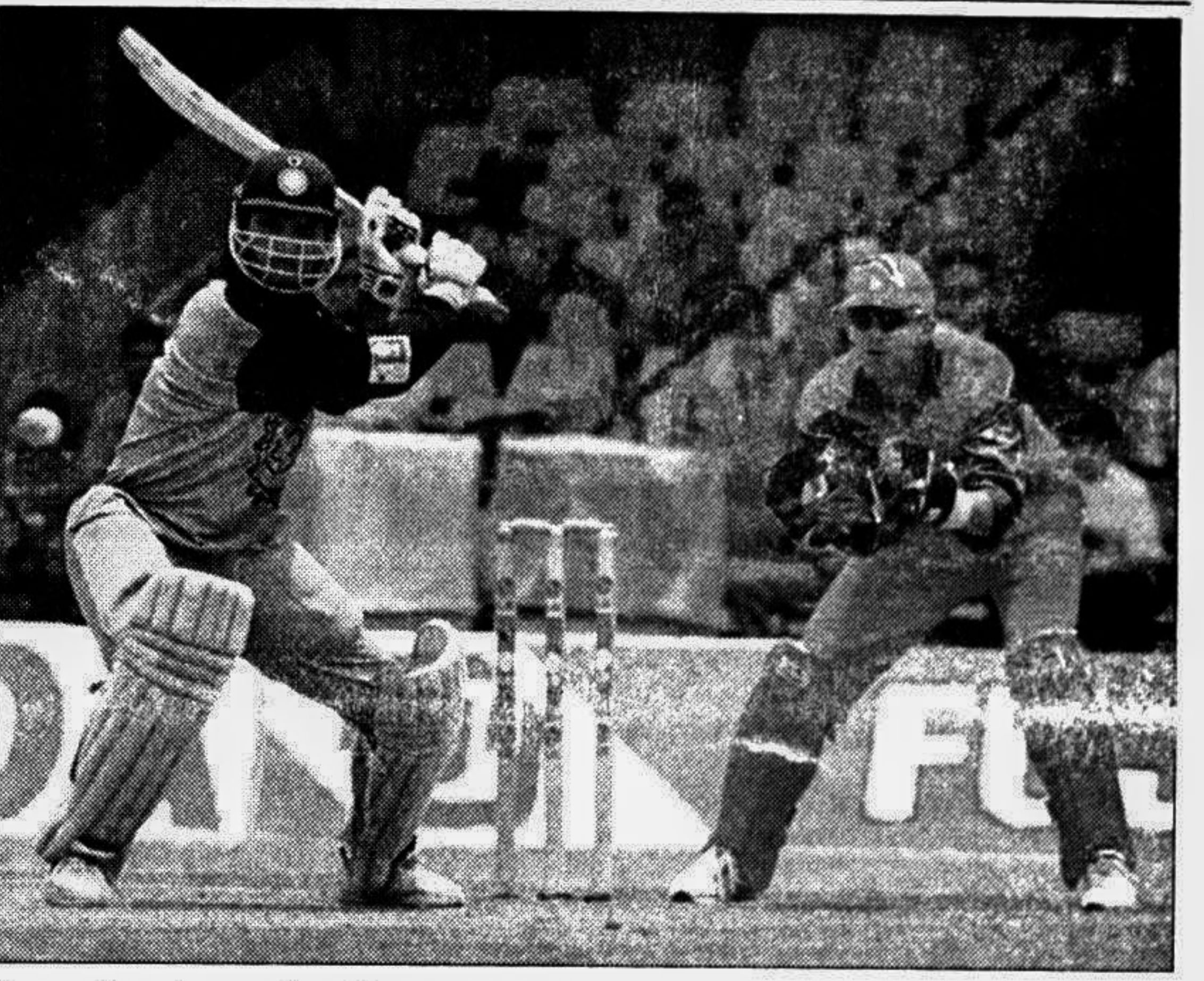
In their last meeting in the 7th SAF games final, India won 1-0.

Probable line up of Bangladesh and India:

Bangladesh: Biplab, Hasan Al-Mamun, Nazrul, Jewel Rana, Faisal, Mattur Rahman, Iqbal, Monwar Hossain, Anwar Hossain, Alfaz Ahmed and Miranur Rahman.

India: Virender Singh, KV Dhanesh, Robert Fernandez, Deepah Mandal, Daljit Singh, Jules Albert, Basudev Mandal, Ranjan Dey, Bruno Coutinho, Jo Paul Ancheri and IM Vijayan.

Our Sports Reporter adds: BT and Bangladesh Betar will cover the match live, according to earlier announcements.



Saurav Ganguly sets himself up for a square cut during yesterday's LG Cup match against Zimbabwe. — AFP photo

LG Cup

India storm in final

Sports Reporter

India stormed into the final of the LG Cup quadrangular series with a convincing 107-run victory against Zimbabwe at the Nairobi Gymkhana Club ground yesterday.

After man-of-the-match Saurav Ganguly tore the Africans apart with 139, the Indians reached a commanding 277 for six in 50 overs.

Zimbabwe, who needed to score a 260-plus total inside 40 overs to qualify for tomorrow's final instead of South Africa, kept losing wickets despite a bright start by openers Neil Johnson and Grant Flower. They were eventually dismissed for 170 in 38.3 overs.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the LG Cup match between India and Zimbabwe on Friday:

INDIA					
Ramesh b G Whittall	31				
Ganguly c Campbell b Olunga	139				
Singh c sub (Blignaut)	41				
b G Whittall	12				
David lbw Goodwin	8				
Jadeja c Johnson b Olunga	6				
Bharadwaj not out	25				
Joshi b G Whittall	2				
Chopra not out	13				
Extras (lb-5, w-8)	277				
Total (For six wickets)	277				
Did not bat: M. Prasad, V Prasad, D Mohanty					
Fall of wickets: 1-70; 2-177; 3-213; 4-224; 5-245; 6-274.					
ZIMBABWE					
Johnson	4	0	14	0	
Mbangwa	10	1	54	0	
Olonga	10	0	48	2	
A Whittall	10	0	68	0	
G Whittall	10	0	55	3	
G Flower	4	0	21	0	
Goodwin	2	0	12	1	

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KNOW THE TOURISTS

JAMES CLIVE ADAMS
Born: 09 January 1968, Port Maria, Jamaica
Major Teams: West Indies, Nottinghamshire, Jamaica.
Known As: Jimmy Adams
Pronounced: Jimmy Adams
Batting Style: Left Hand Bat
Bowling Style: Slow Left Arm Orthodox
Order: Wicket-keeper

ODI Debut: West Indies v Pakistan at Sydney, World Series, 1992/93
Latest ODI: West Indies v Pakistan at Toronto, DMC Trophy, 1999

Statistical Record
ONE-DAY INTERNATIONALS
(including 19/09/1999)

M	I	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	SR	100	50	Ct	St
Batting	55	76	24	1531	82	29.44	-	9	57	5

Bowler

O	M	R	W	Ave	Best	4w	5w	SR	Econ	
Bowling	199	8	1001	27	37.07	5-37	-	1	44.2	5.03

PEDRO TYRONE COLLINS
Born: 12 August 1976, Boscobelle, Barbados
Major Teams: West Indies, Barbados.
Known As: Pedro Collins
Batting Style: Right Hand Bat
Bowling Style: Left Arm Fast Medium
Yet to play in ODIs

SHIVNARINE CHANDERPAUL
Born: 18 August 1974, Unity Village, Guyana
Major Teams: West Indies, Guyana.
Known As: Shiv Chanderpaul
Pronounced: Shiv Chanderpaul
Batting Style: Left Hand Bat
Bowling Style: Leg Break

ODI Debut: West Indies v India at Faridabad, 1st ODI, 1994/95
Latest ODI: West Indies v Pakistan at Toronto, DMC Trophy, 1999

Statistical Record
ONE-DAY INTERNATIONALS
(including 19/09/1999)

M	I	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	SR	100	50	Ct	St
Batting	81	75	7	2300	150	33.82	-	2	13	24

Bowler

O	M	R	W	Ave	Best	4w	5w	SR	Econ	
Bowling	95.4	0	502	13	38.61	3-18	-	-	44.1	5.24

MERVYN DILLON
Born: 05 June 1974, Mission Village, Toco, Trinidad
Major Teams: West Indies, Trinidad & Tobago.
Known As: Mervyn Dillon
Batting Style: Right Hand Bat
Bowling Style: Right Arm Fast Medium

ODI Debut: West Indies v South Africa at Lahore, Wills Quadrangular, 1997/98
Latest ODI: West Indies v Pakistan at Toronto, DMC Trophy, 1999

Statistical Record
ONE-DAY INTERNATIONALS
(including 19/09/1999)

M	I	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	SR	100	50	Ct	St
Batting	29	12	6	66	21	11.00	-	-	-	3

Bowler

O	M	R	W	Ave	Best	4w	5w	SR	Econ	
Bowling	253.1	20	1126	47	23.95	5-51	2	1	32.3	4.44

SHERWIN LEGG CAMPBELL
Born: 01 November 1970, Barbados
Major Teams: West Indies, Durham, Barbados.
Known As: Sherwin Campbell
Pronounced: Sherwin Campbell
Batting Style: Right Hand Bat
Bowling Style: Right Arm Off Break

ODI Debut: West Indies v India at Madras, Wills World Series, 1994/95
Latest ODI: West Indies v Pakistan at Toronto, DMC Trophy, 1999

Statistical Record
ONE-DAY INTERNATIONALS
(including 19/09/1999)

M	I	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	SR	100	50	Ct	St
Batting	59	57	0	1502	86	26.35	-	-	10	14

Bowler

O	M	R	W	Ave	Best	4w	5w	SR	Econ	
Bowling	14	0	5	0	-	-	-	-	-	3.00

CHRISTOPHER HENRY GAYLE
Born: 21 September 1979, Kingston, Jamaica
Major Teams: Jamaica.
Known As: Chris Gayle
Batting Style: Left Hand Bat
Bowling Style: Right Arm Off Break

ODI Debut: West Indies v India at Toronto, DMC Cup, 1999
Latest ODI: West Indies v Pakistan at Toronto, DMC Trophy, 1999

Statistical Record
ONE-DAY INTERNATIONALS
(including 19/09/1999)