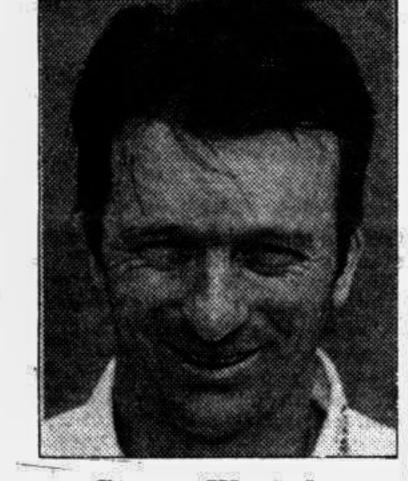
COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN Competition-121 Tick the Correct Answers Post to The Daily Star Win attractive prizes Competition closes at 8 pm Oct 15, '99 and draw shortly afterwards Who won the DMC Cup in Toronto? India W Indies Pakistan Where will the next SAF Games be held? Bhutan Pakistan How many Test wickets has Kapil Dev taken? Who is the fastest man in South Asia? Bijayan What is the name of Tendulkar's daughter? Nisha Sarah Name Class Roll No. School Address Phone: (If any) ENERGY RELEASING VITAMINS

SPORTS TALK



Steve Waugh

(Australia cricket captain) "The guy is a tremendous bowler, he turns it a long way and you're not really sure how far it's going to turn. That's real test for your technique." About Muralitharan.

Australian HC hosts reception

Australian High Commissioner to Bangladesh Robert Flynn accorded a reception on Wednesday to promising cricketers Bikash Ranjan Das and Imran Ahmed. Who received training in the Commonwealth Bank Academy in Adelaide, reports UNB.

The cricketers returned earlier this month on completion of their eight-week training at the academy, under a cooperation and development programme of 'Bangladesh Cricket Board and Australian High Commission.

The training, jointly organ-ised and funded by BCB and the Australian government under the Australian-Asia Sports Linkage Programme, was introduced in 1997 following an announcement by former Australian Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade Tim Fischer during a visit to Bangladesh.

Legendary Australian wicketkeeper and now head coach of the Adelaide Academy Rod Marsh, former Test wicketkeeper-cum-batsman Wayne Pillips, Dennis Lillee, Ian Chappell and Ashley Mallett provided coaching.

The Adelaide Academy was set up in 1987 with the initiative of Australian Institute of Sports in collaboration with the Australian Cricket Board.

Bangladesh skipper Aminul Islam M Hassanuzzaman, Hannan Sarkar, Sabbir Khan and Mushfigur Rahman atscored 181 for seven with four tended the reception. They were previously attended the aca-

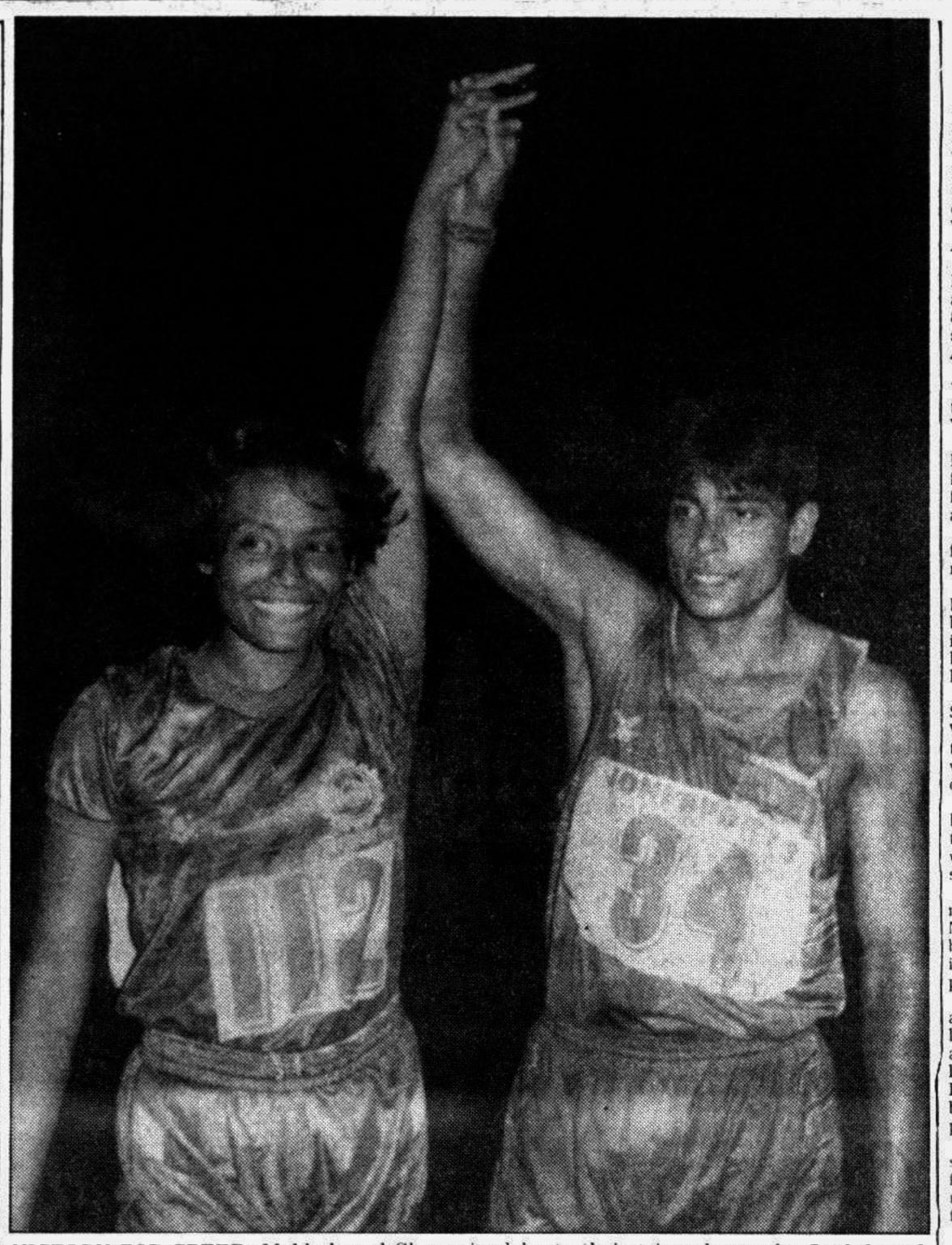
JPC sports

Saleh Chowdhury won the championship in the spade triumph competition at the Jatiya Press Club (JPC) yesterday, reports BSS Shahed Chowdhury, Firoz

Mahmud and Mohammad Modabber won the second, third and fourth position in the competition respectively.

On the second day of the three-day Shishu Anandamela as part of the celebrations, a children painting exhibition and ludu competition for

women were held. The Shishu Anandamela will conclude today.



VICTORY FOR SPEED: Mahbub and Shammi celebrate their triumphs on the final day of -Star photo by Anisur Rahman the Summer athletics meet yesterday.

Meghna Life sixth summer athletics end

Mahbub, Shammi fastest

Sports Reporter

became the fastest honour on

distaff side in the Meghna Life sixth summer athletics championships that concluded at the Sher-e Bangla National Stadium yesterday.

Mahbub, the lone star performer for Bangladesh in the recently concluded SAF Games. retained his 100m title in style, winning the most exciting track and field event with a timing of 10.40 seconds.

The petty officer of Bangladesh Navy, who won the 200m silver in Kathmandu spectacle, was expecting a tough challenge from Abdullah Hel Kafi, but clinched the title for the third time in a row quite easily after the latter failed to turn up to show his mettle.

It was learnt that Kafi, a newfound athlete in the fast lane, withdrew himself from the summer meet due to injury that he sustained in the SAF Games.

Although the absence of Kafi came as a sheer surprise to the with a timing of 12.30 seconds

guide West Indies three-wicket

to victory over Sri Lanka in the

opening match of the Sharjah

Cup on Wednesday, reports

tonishing performance from

West Indies paceman Curtly

Ambrose, who took some of the

most economic one-day bowl-

ing figures recorded with a spell

tended to keep low, man-of-the-

match Adams dug deep into his

experience to hit a composed

unbeaten 74 as West Indies

balls to spare, overhauling Sri

Adam's 124-ball innings

frustrated the Sri Lankan

bowlers, who sensed victory

when they removed openers

Brian Lara and Sherwin

Campbell by the third over with

The West Indies lost

Lara, who faced just three

Campbell and Lara in Chamin-

balls, was snapped up by wick-

etkeeper Romesh Kaluwitha-

rana, while Campbell was a

trifle unlucky. The batsman

slipped while defending a Vaas

delivery and hit the stumps

scored 35 off 58 balls, Adams

prospered in a third wicket

stand of 48 runs and then made

With Wavell Hinds, who

just four runs on the board.

da Vaas' first two overs.

with his right foot.

On a wicket where the ball

of 10 overs, one for five.

Lanka's modest 178.

Adams' 74 followed an as-

Reuters.

SHARJAH, United

Arab Emirates.

Oct 14: Jimmy

Adams kept his

cool when it mat-

most to

Mahbub Alam hundred or so spectators Shafiqul Alam of Bangladesh man while Kaniz Rifles offered some sort of resistence with a fantastic start at the flood-lit national stadium in Mirpur. But the lithe Riflesthe man surrendered to Mahbub in the last ten meters, to clock

10.60 seconds. Mahbub picked up the pace as he reached the halfway mark and reached the touchline amidst applause from the ter-

Atiar Rahman of Bangladesh Jute Mills Corporation (BJMC) captured the bronze with 10.82

While Mahbub established his supremacy as the quickest male athlete, Kaniz Fatema Shammi of BJMC crowned herself as the new sprint queen.

The well-built hurdler from Khulna, who was dropped from the SAF contingent for an alleged involvement in a scandal. returned to the track with a vengeance.

It was Shammi's fourth gold in the meet. She had earlier won the 100m hurdles, 200m sprint and the 4x100m relay. Shammi won the 100m dash

Adams pilots Windies

sure of a West Indies victory

with a fluent 49-run partner-

ship off 52 balls with Nehemiah

over. West Indies needed just 15

runs with three wickets in

hand, but Adams and Nixon

McLean achieved the target

without any fuss with four balls

eran Curtly Ambrose conceded

just five runs in a tremendous

10-over spell to restrict Sri

Lanka to 178 in the Sharjah

Ambrose inspired his team-

J ADAMS...m-o-m

Bowling unchanged,

Cup opener on Wednesday.

Earlier, West Indies pace vet-

to spare.

When Perry left in the 46th

Rukhsana Begum, also from BJMC, bagged the silver, clocking 12.70 seconds while Shamsunnahar of Noakhali captured the bronze after timing 14.37 seconds.

" I thought I would never return to the track after I was dropped from the SAF contingent. But I changed my mind to prove that I'm a victim of injustice", said Shammi after winning the 100m run.

" It was a media propaganda that denied me a place in the SAF Games", said the 18-yearold athlete to the crowded press. The concluding day of the three-day meet also had two strange happens.

Three athletes took part in the 20 km walk. Surprisingly, the trio were invited to complete 50 laps round the track. contrary to the established norms and rules of the IAAF. The bizarre incident took judges aback and they declared it null and void.

In the women's 800m run nine athletes took part in the event despite the fact that there were only eight lanes available on the track.

mates and was also rewarded

Sanath Jayasuriya.

42 balls.

49.3 overs.

Adams not out

Jacobs run out

McLean not out

in 49.2 overs)

Ambrose

Bowler:

Vaas

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De Silva

Adams.

with the prized scalp of captain

vided some much-needed spark

late in the innings with 36 off

Jayasuriya (28) dug in for a

while but were never at ease

SCOREBOARD

match in the Sharjah Cup Le-

tween Sri Lanka and West

SRI LANKA: 178 all out in

Scoreboard of the opening

against West Indies attack.

Indies on Wednesday:

WEST INDIES

Powell b Muralitharan

Campbell hit-wicket b Vaas

Lara c Kaluwitharana b Vaas

Perry c Jayasuriya b Arnold

Extras: (b-1, lb-4, w-4, nb-1)

Total: (for seven wickets

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Jayasuriya

Hinds c De Silva b Muralitharan 35

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Fall of wickets: 1-1; 2-4; 3-

Did not bat : M Dillon, C

Result: West Indies won by

Man-of-the-match: Jimmy

22

24

26

28

Bowler:

Fleming

McGrath

Miller

Warne

Ponting

52; 4-90; 5-114; 6-115; 7-164

Aravinda de Silva (27) and

Romesh Kaluwitharana pro-

Pakistan make 260

SHARJAH, United Arab Emirates, Oct 14: Sparkling half-centuries from Saeed Anwar and Inzamamul Haq helped Pakistan score 260 for five in the Coca-Cola Sharjah Cup oneday international against the West Indies here today, reports

Anwar, the prolific lefthanded opener. hit four sixes and three boundaries in 72 off 87 balls to give his team a sound start after skipper Wasim Akram elected to bat.

Inzamam followed up with 71, sharing a 97-run stand for the third wicket with Yousuf Youhana.

The burly Inzamam fell in his usual fashion, run out after failing to beat a throw from the fence by Nehemiah Perry as he attempted a second run.

Youhana too ran himself out for 48 as Pakistan went for the runs in the final overs.

Ebullient wicketkeeper Moin Khan hammered an unbeaten 27 off 16 balls as Pakistan smashed 82 runs in the last 10 overs - 29 of them in the last two.

The West Indies, who beat Sri Lanka in the opener on Wednesday, let slip the initiative after containing their rivals to 121 for two by the 30th

Recalled opener Aamer Sohail and Anwar needed 15 overs to put on 49 for the first wicket when Sohail was bowled by offspinner Perry for 18.

Anwar was in an aggressive mood, hoisting fast bowlers Nixon McLean and Curtly Ambrose for a six each, before taking two more in one over from

part-timer Jimmy Adams. Adams, man-of-the-match against the Sri Lankans. limped off the field with cramps after sending down just 10 deliveries, forcing captain Brian Lara to employ a non-regular bowler Shivnarine Chander-

Anwar, who added 72 for the second wicket with Inzamani. fell in the 30th over when Lara ran back at mid-on to take a ine catch off McLean.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the Pakistan mmings in the Sharjah Cup one-day international against the West Indies on Thursday: PAKISTAN:

Anwar c Lara b McLean Sohail b Perry Inzamam run out Youhana run out Moin not out Akram c Powell b Perry Azhar Mahmood not out Extras: (lb-4, w-8, nb-1) Total: (For five wickets) Fall of wickets: 1-49: 2-121:

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Zimbabwe 119 for 5 at tea

HARARE, Oct 14: Zimbabwe's middle-order batsmen Andy Flower and Neil Johnson built a 70-run partnership against Australia here Thursday and stopped an early collapse in the inaugural cricket Test between the two countries. reports AFP.

At the tea break Zimbabwe were 119 for five after Flower was dismissed and they are now within reach of the psychological target of 200 for their first innings, one which seemed nearly impossible earlier on.

Johnson, who scored 132 off Australia in the last World Cup. is on 48 and looking confident, while Trevor Gripper, son of the former Rhodesia captain, played a sound supporting role with to his name in his Test de-

The face-saving fifth wicket stand was sorely needed by Zimbabwe after they lost four wickets for only 37 runs in the first hour of play.

Damien Fleming had Grant Flower caught for one in his second over and he dismissed Alistair Campbell in his fifth. In between, Murray Goodwin was run out by Greg Blewett from his first ball.

Then Glenn McGrath struck once more, snaring the stubborn Zimbabwe opening batsman Gavin Rennie for a hardearned 18.

The wicket suited fast bowling early on, especially as batsmen also had to contend with gusty winds, but the wicket is providing good for batting.

Zimbabwe are gunning for a first innings score of 200 to make a contest out of it.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at tea on first day of one-off Test between Zimbabwe and Australia here on Thursday:

ZIMBABWE: First innings G Flower c Ponting b Fleming G Rennie c Ponting b McGrath Goodwin run out (Blewett) Campbell c Slater b Fleming A Flower c M Waugh b McGrath Johnson not out Gripper not out Extras: Total: (For five wickets in 59 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-6; 2-6; 3-22; 4-37; 5-107

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Fleming frustrates hosts



MOHALI, India, Oct 14: New Zealand captain Stephen Fleming scored a fighting 73 and shepherded his side to safety in the first Test against India here today,

reports Reuters. The left-hander hit New Zealand's top score of the match in his side's second innings total of 251 for seven, after being set a victory target of 374.

Fleming struck seven boundaries in his 250-ball knock, his 20th half-century in his 44th Test and second against India. He was out to the last ball of the drawn match when he edged leg-spinner Anil Kumble and was caught by Saurav Ganguly fielding at backward short leg.

Only 171 runs were scored in 90 overs through the day as New Zealand's batsmen batted to save the match.

left-arm spinner Sunil Joshi claimed two wickets in the morning to raise Indian hopes of victory before New Zealand's middle order batsman Nathan Astie combined with Fleming to put on 78 for the fourth wicket. Joshi, who took his wickets in the space of four overs, had

opener Mathew Horne caught

off the outer edge by a diving

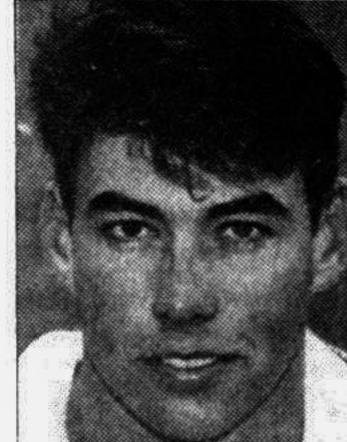
Ganguly at first slip. Horne scored 33. He then had Craig Spearman caught, again by Ganguly at first slip, when the batsman gloved an attempted sweep.

Spearman scored 35. At that stage, New Zealand were 108 for three but India's hopes were dashed when Astle joined Fleming to steer their

Astle fell after lunch to paceman Javagal Srinath bowling with the second new ball. whom he had just struck for two

fours in the same over. Srinath's appeal for caught behind was upheld although television replays suggested the ball might have missed the

outer edge of Astle's bat. Astle made 34.



STEPHEN FLEMING

Fleming soldiered on, losing Craig McMillan who fell for 18 after tea. McMillan was caught by Sadagopan Ramesh at silly point off Kumble.

Kumble claimed his second

victim when Adam Parore edged a leg break to give a batpad catch to forward short leg Devang Gandhi. Kumble took his Test

wicket tally to 243 — among India's bowlers, only allrounder Kapil Dev (434) and left arm spinner Bishen Bedi (266) are ahead of him.

The match marked a turnaround of sorts for India,

who after being dismissed for only 83 in their first innings. recovered to press for victory.

Srinath, who claimed six for 45 in New Zealand's first innings, bowled with great heart throughout but could claim only two for 63 in the second innings. He was named man of the match.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard on the fifth day of the first cricket Test between India and New Zealand on

Thursday. INDIA: First innings 83 (D Nash 6-27)

NEW ZEALAND: First in-

nings 215 (C Spearman 51; J Srinath 6-45) INDIA: Second innings 505 for three declared (R Dravid 144, S Tendulkar 126, D Gandhi

75, S Ramesh, 73, S Ganguly 64 not out) NEW ZEALAND: Second in-

nings (ovrnight 80-1) Horne c Ganguly b Joshi Bell Ibw Srinath Spearman c Ganguly b Joshi 35 Fleming c Ganguly b Kumble 73

Astle c M Prasad b Srinath 34

McMillan c Ramesh b Kumble 18 Parore c Gandhi b Kumble Cairns not out Extras: (b-24, lb-15, nb-5) Total: (For seven wickets) 251 Fall of wickets: 1-24; 2-95; 3-

108; 4-186; 5-227; 6-246; 7-251. Did not bat: D Nash, D Vettori, S O'Connor Bowler: Srinath Prasad Kumble Joshi 38 Bharadwai 3 34 Tendulkar

Result: Match drawn.

Cloud over Pak cricket



side to safety.

LAHORE. Oct 14 from speaking to the press and Pakistani cricket. riddled with controversy and scandal at the best

of times, faces an uncertain future following the military coup against Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif. There is speculation that the

ad-hoc committee which has been running the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) since July may also be ousted because it was considered close to the sacked regime. PCB chief Mujibur Rehman.

brother of close Sharif aide Saifur Rehman, who is under house arrest, has been placed on the Exit Control List (ECL) and prevented from leaving the country, media reports said.

Rehman was scheduled to witness the three-nation Sharjah Cup currently being played here between Pakistan, Sri Lanka and the West Indies.

PCB media manager Zulqarnain Jarnil, who is accompanying the team here, said there was no change "as of now". but the Pakistani players were clearly unsure of the future.

"Can anything be predicted in our cricket?" asked a senior player, who did not want to be identified. "We must go on playing and do well. What happens after that is anyone's guess." The players have been barred

(Internet report): manager Yawar Saeed too refused to be drawn into a discussion on the situation at home. Of immediate concern to the

> team for the important tour of Australia commencing soon after the Sharjah Cup. The three-member selection committee appointed by the adhoc committee is due to meet in Sharjah on Sunday to pick the

> players is the selection of the

But it remains to be seen if the selectors - chairman Naushad Ali, Rameez Raja and Abdul Raquib - will hold their post if Rehman himself is

sacked. Clearly, a lot hangs in the balance until Rehman's future, along with that of the PCB, is

The judge who probed the betting and match-fixing charges against some players finalised his report last week. He has, however, been unable to submit his findings to the Pakistani President Rafiq Tarrar. whose own future is uncertain.

The future of Tarrar, who is the patron of the Pakistan Cricket Board and who sacked the entire board last July and replaced them with a two-man ad-hoc committee, also remains unclear after the coup.

Tarrar, who was appointed by Sharif in 1997, was a close family friend of the deposed

Prime Minister and a member of his Pakistan Mushim League party.

Following Pakistan's dismal World Cup final loss to Australia, Tarrar replaced the board with chairman Mujeebur-Rehman (whose brother was a senator and headed the Accountability Bureau which also investigated match-fixing allegations) and committee member Javed Zaman (cousin of former Test captain Imran Khan).

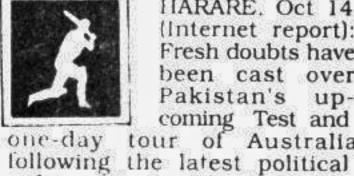
Justice Qayyum's inquiry began 13 months ago and the report is understood to contain strong evidence and recommendations against a number

of Pakistan players. It is also believed to rank the accused in three categories those who were guilty and should be fined and banned for life, those who were under suspicion without firm evidence who should be fined and those

who were innocent. Pakistan last week appointed English-born Richard Pybus as their coach for the upcoming Australian series, replacing former Test batsman Wasim Raja who quit after two months in the job.

The new players' contracts drawn up by Rehman, which raised their match fees and allowances, may also come under scrutiny if a change is made at

ACB plays down coup "We don't anticipate any third Test against Australia in



(Internet report): Fresh doubts have been cast over Pakistan's upcoming Test and one-day tour of Australia

upheaval in the Islamic nation. The Australian Cricket Board yesterday hosed down concerns that the bloodless coup which overthrew Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif could jeopardise the arrival of the Pakistanis, who are scheduled to land in Perth on October 24.

"As far as we're concerned. the tour goes on," an ACB spokesman said yesterday.

problems, but having said that we don't have our heads in the sand and will continue to monitor the situation.

The ACB is comforted by the fact a 16-man Pakistan squad. led by Wasim Akram, is currently in Sharjah for a triangular one-day tournament, and is not expected to return to Pakistan before beginning the Australian Test tour. But the subsequent one-day

series between Australia and bitter enemies Pakistan and India looms as a much more explosive prospect. Pakistan are scheduled to fly

home on December 2 after the



Russian Marat Safin makes a return against Briton Tim Heman in the CA Trophy on October 13. -AFP photo

Perth, and return on December

30 for the one-day tournament. The triangular series was thrown into doubt last July when the two neighbouring nuclear powers clashed over the disputed Kashmir region. prompting the cancellation of their annual one-day series in Canada.

But both countries gave assurances the tour would pro-

Pakistan army chief General Pervez Musharraf, the man behind the coup, is also regarded by the Indian military as the man responsible for incursions into the Indian-held Kashmir mountain ranges which brought the neighbours to the brink of war earlier this year.

With the Indian army placed on full alert within hours of yesterday's coup, doubts have again surfaced as to whether the teams will risk clashing on the cricket field. other four times during the tri-

angular CUB Series, the first in Brisbane on January 10 followed by Hobart (Jan 21). Adelaide (Jan 25) and Perth (Jan 28) before the best-of-three finals Australian cricketers

meanwhile are to receive an average of 18,000 dollars each after higher than expected cricket revenue by the national body in the last season. The ACB Thursday an-

nounced a higher than expected level of revenue of 45.7 million dollars arising from better than forecast gate receipts, overseas television rights and sponsor-The ACB has declared a 1.7 million dollar bonus with

the players' union. the Australian Cricketers Association. Of the remaining revenue, 57.5 per cent will go to the 50

129,888 dollars of that to go to

players who were either contracted to Australia last season or played for Australia or Aus-I tralia A.