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ENERGY RELEASING VITATINS

Parker feels for Langer

HOBART, Nov 22 (Internet report): Umpire Peter Parker has apologised to Justin Langer for giving him out caught in the first innings of the second Test against Pakistan.

Parker approached Langer

after Australia's first innings in which they had slumped from 1/191 to be all out for 246 and admitted he made an error, it was reported in today's issue of the Sydney Morning Herald. Langer, who had made a pos-

itive 59, was given out caught by Mohammad Wasim at silly point from the bowling of Saglain Mushtag.

He appeared stunned by the decision and lowered his head for several moments before slowly walking off.

Replays showed that the ball had come directly from his front pad without touching the The wicket took Australia to

4/206 and opened the door for Saqlain's amazing burst of 5/10 in 32 balls in which he sliced through the middle and lower

Langer had gone into the match under pressure to retain his place at No 3 after his previ-

ous six innings had brought 96 runs. He was aggressive from the

BCCI's cost to be treated by start after going in at 1/76 and South African orthopaedic quickly erased any doubts Mark Ferguson. about his suitability for the job. Parker, who is umpiring in one-day series against Australia and Pakistan in

his fifth Test, admitted he soon realised he had made a mistake. Under Law 27.6, the umpires

have the power to overturn a decision if such a reversal is made promptly. However, that provision is

generally applied only if new information has come to light, such as a fieldsman indicating that a catch that had been paid

had not carried. It is extremely rare for an umpire to correct a mistake after making an error of judgment, believing their credibility would be damaged by such a

public admission. Parker, who has been a firstclass umpire since 1986-87, infamously allowed an 11-ball over in a Mercantile Mutual Cup match several seasons ago. He is one of five umpires on Australia's national panel and

was the video umpire in the

first Test at the Gabba.

5th Asia Cup Hockey Championship

Bangladesh trounce Sri Lanka

Sports Reporter

Bangladesh outplayed Sri Lanka 7-1 in their penultimate Group A match of the 5th Asia Cup Hockey Championship played yesterday at Kuala Lumpur's National Hockey Stadium.

Forward Rafiqul Islam and Ishtiaque Ahmed struck two goals each while Ramij Ahmed, Musa Mia and Mamunur Rashid added one apiece to the winners' credit.

Nuwan Perera pulled one back for the Lankans who finished their first round campaign with defeats in all four matches. Sri Lanka lost to Pakistan 0-15, South Korea 0-9 and China 0-4 in their previous three outings.

Bangladesh, on the other hand, are now sharing the third spot jointly with China in the five-team group, which also includes holders South Korea and powerhouse Pakistan. Both Bangladesh and China have four points each.

Bangladesh will face highflying Pakistan in their last match of the first round today. China, who beat Sri Lanka 4-0, drew with Bangladesh 1-1

and lost to Pakistan 1-10, will

meet South Korea in their last engagement. After a morale boosting 1-1 draw against a disciplined China on Saturday, Bangladesh, who lost their opening match to holders South Korea 0-4, made an impressive start against the islanders taking a 3-0 lead in the first ses-

Winger Ramij Ahmed put Bangladesh ahead in the very first minute of the match with a

The 50-lakh Taka sponsor-

ship deal for the inaugural

National Football League is

likely to be signed between

Federation and Leisure Sports

Management (LSM) of Calcutta

on Thursday, BFF general sec-

retary Harunur Rashid MP re-

official over telephone. We have

decided to sign the deal on

Thursday evening after the har-

tal," said Harun adding that the

contract will be signed for one

do not know how profitable the

deal will be. If we find it lucra-

tive, we will renew the deal with

a higher amount," said Harun

while talking to The Daily Star.

BFF will make an official an-

nouncement on the deal and

other aspects of the National

League after the signing.

According to Harun, the league

would start after the holy

We are starting the league with

teams from the six administra-

tive divisions. But from the sec-

ond edition, there will be quali-

fying rounds among clubs in the

NEW DELHI, Nov

22 (AFP/PTI):

Indian middle-

order batsman

· Ajay Jadeja was

on Monday sidelined for the up-

coming tour of Australia be-

Jadeja's place in the 16-

member team, which leaves for

Australia on Tuesday morning,

will be taken by left-hand

batsman Hrishikesh Kanitkar.

Board of Control for Cricket in

India (BCCI) secretary Jaywant

tor cuff tear in his right shoul-

der during the recent one-day

series against New Zealand,

will be out of action for at least

flown to Johannesburg at

Lele said Jadeja would be

"He should be fit before the

Kanitkar, who is currently

leading India A on a tour of the

West Indies, will join the rest of

the team in Australia by the

Chairman of selectors

Chandu Borde said the names of

former captain Mohammad

Azharuddin and wicketkeeper

Nayan Mongia were discussed

before the selectors opted for

youngster". Borde said, but

added the 98-Test veteran

Azharuddin was not ruled out

how this young side copes on

the tough tour. Both Azhar and

Mongia are very much in con-

tention to make a comeback if

the youngsters fail to make any

The Indians, led by Sachin

"We would first like to see

for future selections.

impression," he said.

"We decided to go in for a

Jadeja, who suffered a rota-

cause of a shoulder injury.

Lele said.

three weeks.

January," Lele said.

Kanitkar.

"This is a new concept for us.

month of Ramadan.

He also informed that the

"This is a start for us and we

"I just had a talk with a LSM

Football

Bangladesh

vealed this yesterday.

field goal while Rafiqul, the vice captain, doubled the margin with another field goal 18 minutes later. Ishtiaque then sealed the first half by converting a short corner in the 26th minute.

Inspired by the first-half performance, Bangladesh added four goals in the second half with Musa, Ishtiaque, Rafiqul and Mamun finding the net in the 39th, 48th, 54th and 61st minutes.

Nuwan Perera scored the consolation goal for Sri Lanka in the 42nd minute. Yellow cards: Abeyratne,

Wasalage and Gunawardena (Sri Lanka). AP adds: Three-time champions Pakistan displayed their

scoring power as they swamped China 10-1 and reigning champions South Korea trounced Sri Lanka 9-0. Pakistan's five-pronged forward lineup drilled holes in the

Chinese defence to boost their goal tally to 25 from two matches, which has placed them at the top of Group-A standings. Both Pakistan and South Korea have six points from two

matches but Pakistan lead the group table with a superior goal difference. South Korea have scored 13 goals. China are third with three points in two matches. Pakistan started the match

at an easy pace and was leading 4-1 at the breather, after which it pumped in six goals in the second session. The Pakistan forwards

mesmerized the Chinese de-

fenders while penalty corner

National Football League sponsorship

50-lakh Taka deal this week

Sports Reporter

six divisions before the final

its 30-member National League

Committee. Earlier last week,

12th Asian Cup

Bangladesh-UAE

match today

Sports Reporter

some extent humiliating, 0-6

Bangladesh will take on hosts

defeat against Uzbekistan

UAE in their second Group 3

match of the 12th Asian Cup

qualifying round at the Abu

Dhabi Stadium this evening.

The match will start at 8:45 pm

came from behind to beat India

3-1 in their inaugural match to

join Uzbekistan at the top of the

five-team table with three

the group, will open their cam-

paign today facing Uzbekistan

Lanka on Friday before facing

India in their last match on

Ajay won't go down under

Tendulkar, begin the 86-day

tour with a four-day match

against Queensland at Brisbane

will be played in Adelaide from

on Sunday, India will need to

show consistency in all de-

partments of the game if they

are to break a string of poor

Test performances abroad.

AJAY JADEJA

"We have got very talented

younsters. With Rahul (Dravid)

and Saurav (Ganguly) perform-

ing so well consistently in the

recent past, I have got lot of con-

fidence in our batting,"

bowling attack. Bowlers like

Javagal Srinath, Anil Kumble

and Venkatesh Prasad have

done well. Kumble has the abil-

ity to run through a side and

"We also have a very decent

Tendulkar said.

The first of the three Tests

Meanwhile, Tendulkar said

Sachin for consistency

Bangladesh will meet Sri

in the day's first match.

Sri Lanka, the other team in

points.

November 29.

from Friday.

December 10.

UAE, earlier on Sunday,

Following their shocking, to

The BFF yesterday revealed

league," Harun added.

drag-flick specialist Sohail Abbas added four goals to the seven he scored against Sri Lanka in the previous outing. Two of Abbas' four goals against China came from penalty strokes.

The Pakistani attack was led early by inside-right Sarwar Mohammed whose defence splitting runs left the rivals bewildered. Sarwar's opportunis-tic strikes gave him three goals, while centre-forward Atif Bashir, inside-left Naveed Iqbal and left-winger Arif Mohammad chipped in with a goal each.

Sarwar opened the Pakistan scoring in the third minute with a sizzling drive from the top of the striking circle and then lashioned the second goal where he sent in the cross which Bashir deflected into the goal in the 11th minute.

China's lone goal came through a penalty corner conversion by Wang Hai Feng in the 15th minute which reduced the lead to 1-2. But China did not have the strength to keep the Pakistan strikers at bay for

Five goals by South Korea's crack penalty corner taker Yeo Woon-Kon kept it in the hunt for the top spot, which is expected to be decided in the clash against Pakistan.

Sri Lanka have conceded 28 goals without scoring any in their three defeats.

But Sri Lanka did well to deny South Korea a goal until the 15th minute when Yeo first pierced the wall with a firm penalty corner drive that opened the floodgates.

the federation named BFF vice-

president Anjan Chowdhury

and joint-secretary Sirajul

Islam the chairman and secre-

Bahadur MP and Zafar Imam,

and Kazi Mishu have been in-

cluded in the committee as vice-

Roy and former national foot-

baller Ashrafuddin will act as

Shamimuzzaman Basunia,

Abdur Rahim, Prof. Abdur

Rahman, Shah Abul Kashem,

Moazzem Hossain, Nazir

Mohammad Shafiquzzaman,

Showkat Ali Khan, Ferdous

Islam, Fazlur Rahman, Shah

Alam Chowdhury, Khorshed

Alam, MA Gaffar, Alhaj Golam

Nizamuddin, Zainul Abedin,

BFF general secretary (ex-offi-

cio), LSM representative (ex-of-

ficio), secretaries of Dhaka,

Chittagong, Barisal and Sylhet

Associations, and Khulna and

Chittagong District Sports

Srinath has been doing well of

late. I just feel we need to show

some consistency in all de-

partments at the same time," he

told Star News channel in an

ditions had thwarted India,

who have scored just one series

victory abroad - over Sri

ditions. So many times we have

come close to winning the game

but it is the final hurdle which

make sure that when we reach

that stage we have to fire on all

"I think it's the foreign con-

"So this time we have to

The Indian captain was up-

beat about the newcomers in the

side, particularly openers

Devang Gandhi and Sadagopan

Lee, Kasprowicz

called up

cricket selectors made two

changes to the team for the

third and final Test starting in

Perth on Friday, reports

South Wales and Michael

Kasprowicz of Queensland were

called into the 12-man squad,

with Scott Muller and Colin

SQUAD

Blewett, Adam Gilchrist,

Damien Fleming, Michael

Kasprowicz, Justin Langer,

Brett Lee, Gleen McGrath, Ricky

Ponting, Michael Slater, Shane

Warne, Mark Waugh (12th man

Steve Waugh (captain), Greg

Miller dropping out.

to be named).

Pacemen Brett Lee of New

HOBART, Nov 22: Australia's

Lanka — in the last 12 years.

Tendulkar said foreign con-

interview.

has stopped us.

cylinders.

Ramesh.

Reuters.

Association (ex-officio).

BFF vice-presidents Bir

BFF joint-secretary Badal

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Chowdhury,

Sheikh

Sports

tary of the committee.

assistant secretaries,

committee

M Alamgir,

Divisional

chairmen.

Ahmed

Shafiullah puts Sylhet in the saddle

Sports Reporter

Sylhet Division aided by a virtuoso all-round performance from their Pakistani recruit Shafiullah appeared nicely poised to record their first victory in the National League against Rajshahi at the Rajshahi Stadium yesterday.

Safiullah hammered a brilliant 70 on the second day as

liant 70 on the second day as Sylhet recovered from a precar-ious position in their second innings to finish the day on 196 for nine in their share of 100 overs.

The Pakistani, who scored the lone century so far in the National League in Sylhet's inaugural away match against Chittagong, had earlier captured four wickets to shot Rajshahi out for a paltry first innings total of 160 on the opening day.

Coming into bat at number six with Sylhet reeling on 68/4. Shafiullah put on a vital 56 runs for the seventh wicket with Rupok to give the visitors a first innings lead of 36 runs.

The off-spinner, who played for City Club last year, then took a wicket when Rajshahi suffered an all too familiar toporder collapse in their second innings.

The home side were struggling at 41 for three at stumps on the second day.

SCOREBOARD Scoreboard on the second day of the three-day National

match between Sylhet and Rajshahi at the Rajshahi Stadium vesterday:

RAJSHAHI: First innings 160 all out in 80.4 overs (Suja Rashed 37; Shafiullah 4/34) SYLHET: First innings

(overnight 39 for 3 in 18 overs) Hadi b Saeed Paplu c Tomal b Tarek Tushar lbw b Saeed Joy st Tomal b Sumon Rana b Bablu Shafiullah c Kalim b Tarek Alok run out Rupok run out Taposh run out Tanhar not out Mistu Das not out Extras: (b-6, lb-4, nb-3, w-2) Total: (For 9 wickets in 100 overs)

Fall of wickets: 1-15; 2-27; 3-36; 4-68; 5-92; 6-123; 7-188; 8-188; 9-192. Bowler: M R W 32 Tarek 15 48 2 22 3 32 Bablu Sumon **Biddut** 0 10 0 20 0 14 RAJSHAHI: Second innings Rashed c Rana b Shafiullah 13

Bablu run out Suja b Taposh Tomal batting Mukter batting Extras: (b-5, lb-4, nb-3) Total: (For 3 wickets in 17 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-5; 2-35; 3-

Bowler: Taposh 21 Tanhar 6 0 Shafiullah Mistu Das

National Cricket

Rezaul gives Ctg fillip over Khulna

Sports Reporter Brilliant bowling by Rezaul Karim yesterday raised a slim hope for Chittagong to take a first innings lead over Khulna in the National Cricket League being played at the MA Aziz Stadium in Chittagong.

On the second day of the three-day match, Rezaul captured five wickets for 44 runs as Khulna, in reply to Chittagong's first innings score of 278, were on 227 for 8 at stumps, needing another 52 runs to overhaul Chittagong's first innings with two wickets in hand.

Brief Scores Chittagong 1st innings: 278 all out in 97.3 overs (Fakhrul 92) n.o., Haroon 57, Waliul 52, Khairuzzaman 2/40. Jamaluddin 2/68).

Khulna 1st innings: 227 for 8 in 84 overs (Asadullah Khan 50 Shamim 35, Tareq 34, Selim 22. Khairuzzaman 21 n.o., Tariqui 12 n.o., Rezaul 5/44. Nahid 2/79).

Nahid who returned with two for 79 from his 25 overs. Asadullah Khan scored highest 50 runs for Khulna

Rezaul was ably helped by

while Shamim and Tarigul Hasan chipped in with 35 and 34 runs. Earlier in the morning, Chittagong, who began the day

with their overnight total of 264 for 9, added another 14 runs before they were all out. Middleorder Fakhrul, who was batting on 84, remained unbeaten on The match resumes this

morning.

Chevy wins Madrid race

MADRID, Nov 22: Kenya's Abraham Chevy won the Madrid 10km race on Sunday in 28min 13sec. ousting Morocco's Chali Kaisen by two seconds, reports AFP. Norocco's Saliha Jaldun won the women's race.



sensation after winning the second Test yesterday. - AFP photo

Series Australia's

Gilchrist, Langer conjure great escape



HOBART, Australia, Nov 22: Justin Langer Adam Gilchrist were the toast of Australian cricket

ter their record partnership lifted their team to a historydefying four wicket win over Pakistan in the second Test here, reports AFP.

The two West Australian lefthanders and close mates. playing to a game plan and not the scoreboard, shared in a 238-run partnership in 265 minutes to break Pakistani hearts and steer Australia to the third-highest winning target of 369 in Test history.

Australia also clinched the series against Wasim Akram's tourists with Friday's third Perth Test to play.

Gilchrist struck his debut Test century in his unconquered 149 in Australia's second innings 369 for six, while the stoic Langer was out five runs short of victory at 127, crafted in a tick over seven hours.

Only twice before have teams scored higher to win a Test match.

India scored 406 for four when set 403 by the West Indies at Port-of-Spain in 1975-76 and Don Bradman's Australians hit 404 for three to beat England at Leeds in 1948. "That's the best chase we've

seen in Test match cricket." declared Australian captain Steve Waugh. "To win it so convincingly against such a good bowling team in the fourth innings was really a credit to the players for the way they played At the outset it looked such a

Australians - still requiring 181 runs with five wickets left at the start of Monday's play but in the latter stages it was so utterly convincing. "We felt confident as we got under 100, but before that it would have been difficult if we had lost a wicket, but the way

daunting target to chase for the

Langer and Gilchrist were playing we didn't have too much time to be nervous," said Waugh. Gilchrist, playing in his second Test as the wicketkeeping successor to Ian Healy, was in imperious form cracking his

Gilchrist, who hit eight fours and a six in his 116-ball show-

debut Test century supported by the indomitable Langer.

pm (0400 GMT). The pair bettered the 35year-old record stand

piece, hit the winning run at 3

against Pakistan of 139 by **Bob Cowper and Tom Veivers** in Melbourne. "When I walked to the wicket the first thing JL (Langer) said to me was 'You never know' -

simple words - and that was it," said Gilchrist. "We spoke every ball, just about. What we tried to do was watch every ball and that's the way it continued. No doubt, it's an amazing feeling."

"It means a great deal to see

ning partnership.

an apparent catch.

SCOREBOARD Scoreboard on the fifth and final day of the second cricket Test between Australia and

Langer, on 76 and Australia

More worrying for Akram

at 237 for five, prodded at an

Akram seamer and wicket-

keeper Moin Khan celebrated

would have been the way his

team failed to defend such a

mammoth lead and the way his

bowlers rarely troubled and

failed to break the match-win-

TOP TEN WINNING CHASES

HOBART, Nov 22 (AFP): The ten highest winning fourth innings run chases in Test cricket history following Australia's second Test win over Pakistan here Monday: 406-4 by India against West Indies at Port of Spain in 1975/76.

404-3 by Australia against England at Leeds in 1948. 369-6 by Australia against Pakistan at Hobart in 1999. 362-7 by Australia against West Indies at Georgetown in

348-5 by West Indies against New Zealand at Auckland in

344-1 by West Indies against England at Lords 1984. 342-8 by Australia against India at Perth in 1978/79. 336-5 by Australia against South Africa at Durban in 1949/50. 332-7 by England against Australia at Melbourne in 1928/29.

our win ranked up there, it seems all the (record) scores are from 1948 and 1930, so to have a recent score and contribute to it is fantastic."

Gilchrist said it had been an intense Test match over the five

Of the sledging between the two teams, particularly on the final day, he said: "they were trying their best, they had the Test match just about in their hands and it slipped away from them and we all know what happens when we get frustrated."

Langer, who went into the Test with his head on the block after a run of low scores, responded magnificently, earning the man-of-the-match award for his innings of 59 and 127.

"The only support I needed was from the captain, who said to me before the Test that it didn't matter what the press was writing, he wanted me in the side and so did the selectors ... It was almost like being on death row for the week leading up to it," said Langer.

Pakistanis will be bitter over a controversial incident when they believed they had dismissed Langer earlier on the fi-

326-5 by Sri Lanka against Zimbabwe at Colombo in 1977/98. Pakistan at Bellerive Oval on Monday: PAKISTAN: First innings AUSTRALIA: First innings

PAKISTAN: Second innings AUSTRALIA: Second innings (overnight 188-5) Slater c Mahmood b Akhtar

Blewett c Moin b Mahmood Langer c Inzamam b Saglain M Waugh lbw b Mahmood S Waugh c and b Saqlain Ponting lbw b Akram Gilchrist not out Warne not out Extras: (b-1, lb-4, nb-4) Total: (For six wickets in 113.5 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-39; 2-81; 3-

81; 4-125; 5-126; 6-364 Did not bat: D Fleming, G McGrath, S Muller Bowler

Akram 68 Waqar 38 Akhtar 85 44.5 8 130 2 Mahmood 17 3 43 2 Result: Australia won by four wickets. Man-of-the-match: Justin

Pakistan left to ponder

Saqlain Mushtaq's Test-best 6-



Australia, Nov 22: Australia's amazing four-wicket second Test triumph has left

Wasim Akram with a monumental task to regroup his players for the final Test starting in Perth on Friday, reports

The Pakistan were desolate as Adam Gilchrist and Justin Langer shared in a record 238run stand that propelled Australia to bring off the third highest winning fourth innings run chase in Test Cricket history here Monday.

Set 369 runs to win the Hobart Test and the series, the Australians recovered from 126 for five an hour before stumps on Sunday to sail home and win emphatically. The third Test at the WACA

Ground now has no bearing on

the series and yet again Pakistan have failed to win a series in nine tours to Australia since 1956-57. Australia have won 14 of the 25 Tests played here. Pakistan

have been successful in just Spurred by off-spinner

46 to restrict Australia to a 24run innings lead and buttressed by Inzamam-ul-Haq's first-ever Test century against Australia in the second innings, Pakistan had history on their side to level the series. That they failed to kill off

the Australian second innings after the exit of Ricky Ponting still 243 runs short of the target at 5 pm Sunday makes the defeat even more galling.

It was impossible to gauge the Pakistanis' feeling about their shattering defeat — captain Akram was too ill with a low sugar count to attend the post-match conference and there was no other team spokesman available to talk to the media.

Despite complaints from the media about not having a team spokesman, it was learnt that the touring party had left Bellerive Oval for the team ho-

The media was eager to learn of Akram's version of a controversial incident when Pakistan believed they had dismissed Langer 75 minutes into the final

Langer, on 76 and Australia at 237 for five, prodded at an Akram seamer and wicketkeeper Moin Khan celebrated an apparent catch.

All the fieldsmen went up in appeal and Akram jigged down the pitch in celebration, but Australian umpire Peter Parker was unmoved, much to Akram's annoyance.

Akram was seething after the over and left Ijaz Ahmed to fetch his jumper off Parker. Television replays showed no deviation as the ball passed Langer's bat, but the Pakistanis were adamant that the Australian No 3 had made contact with his bat. Langer said he

It was a pivotal moment on the final day. Had Langer been dismissed with Australia still 132 runs short with four wickets left and the tailed exposed Australia more than likely would not have won.

was convinced he never hit the

Australian captain Steve Waugh said he thought it was fine for umpires to apologise provided players did too when they got it wrong. Akram's comments would have been interesting.

(Australia cricket captain)