

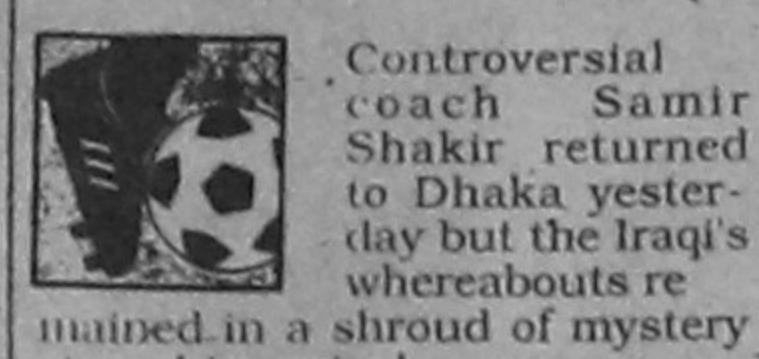
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Column One

Samir 'controversy' returns

Sports Reporter



Controversial coach Samir Shakir returned to Dhaka yesterday but the Iraqi's whereabouts remained in a shroud of mystery since his arrival.

After dilly-dallying for more than four months, Samir has finally come to join the Bangladesh Krira Shikha Prosthan (BKSP) as its football coach. But the lone national sports institute of the country had no knowledge about the arrival of the former World Cupper, who inspired Bangladesh to their maiden football gold in the 8th SAF Games last October.

"I just came to know about Samir's arrival. I don't know where he is staying. I was told by a BFF (Bangladesh Football Federation) guy that he (Samir) is coming here tonight and will start his new assignment from March 1," said Farukul Islam, the director training of BKSP, while talking to The Daily Star last evening.

Following the Kathmandu triumph Obaidul Quader, the state minister for youth and sports, appointed the temperamental Iraqi as a BKSP coach. He got an appointment for only seven months, supposed to be

effective from November 1, 1999.

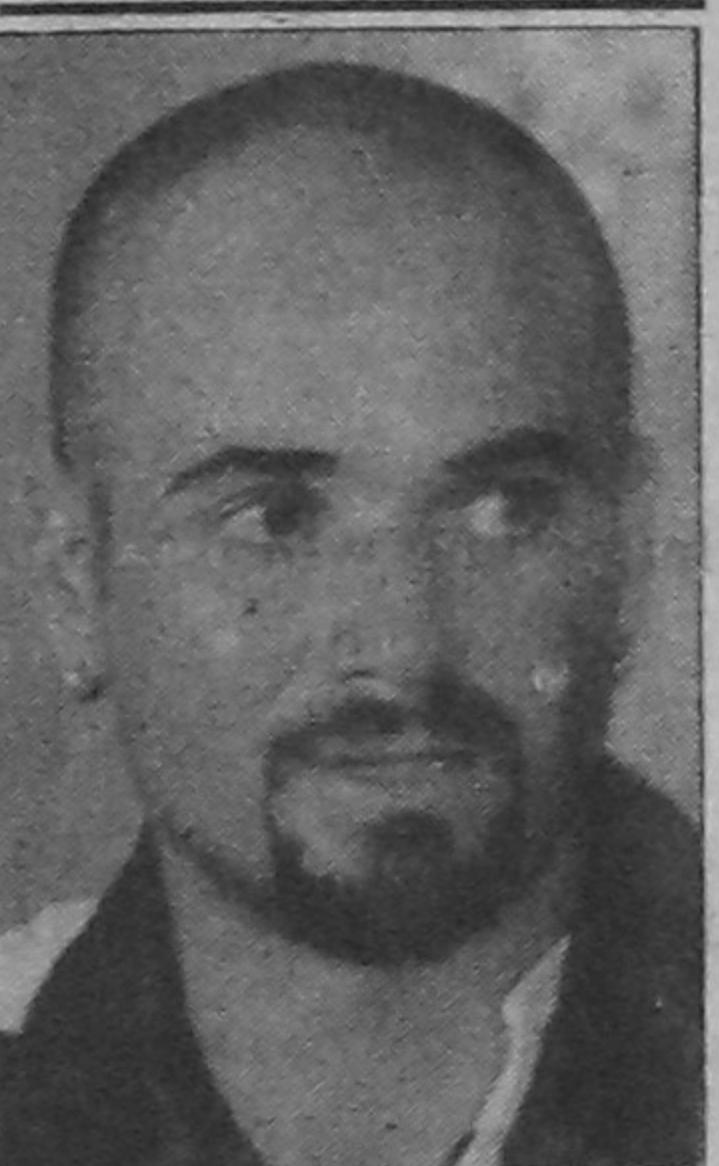
But the volatile coach, who went to Abu Dhabi with the national team for the Asian Cup qualifiers, did not join the BKSP. Instead, soon after the

competition closes at 8 pm March 10, 2000 and draw shortly afterwards

1 Who won the tri-series down under?	India	Pakistan	Australia
2 How many Test matches has Shepherd officiated in till the Bombay Test?	49	50	51
3 What is the name of Sir Stanley Matthews' father?	Jack	Stephen	Bill
4 Who is FIFA's world player-of-the-year?	Rivaldo	Raul	Vieri
5 Who is the captain of Biman cricket team?	Amul	Faruque	Athar
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SPORTS TALK



Andre Agassi

(World No 1 tennis star)
There has been nothing in my career that compares with the last eight months. It's been a crazy life."

After winning the Australian Open this year.

Bowling actions remain under review

RAWALPINDI, Feb 28: International Cricket Council (ICC) chief executive David Richards said Sunday the process of dealing with illegal bowling action is under review, reports AFP.

The process is under total review and will be discussed in the June meeting of the ICC but I can assure every one there is no bias, Richards said.

Richards is in Pakistan for talks with cricket officials on several issues including the controversial case of pacer Shoaib Akhtar, which triggered resentment in the sub-continent.

Akhtar, dubbed the Rawalpindi Express, was banned after his bowling action was questioned in Australia last year but was subsequently allowed to play in the tri-series in Australia in February.

Richards denied there were any complaints about Australian rookie pacer Brett Lee's action.

Richards said there was no ambiguity in ICC's decision on Akhtar in Singapore earlier this month.

Now it's for PCB to decide on Akhtar and he can play if Pakistan Cricket Board feels satisfied about the work done on his action," said Richards, an Australian holding the post for the last six and half years.

ICC barred its nine-member technical committee from banning players on February 9 this year.

The powers have been withdrawn for the time being and not taken away for ever," Richards said.

However, he admitted the decision of banning the bowlers proved "unwise".

"It's unfair on the bowlers under scrutiny once the matter goes in the public domain," Richards said.

Former Pakistan captains Imran Khan and Javed Miandad called upon the ICC to review the law and termed it as "faulty".

Richards said a suggestion for worldwide standardisation of pitches needs a lot of time.

The climatic conditions and soil conditions vary and on a worldwide basis standardisation of pitches needs a lot of work," he said.

British coach for Bangladesh?

Sports Reporter

Mark Harrison is relishing the prospect of coaching the Bangladeshi national football team as it will provide the challenge he has been longing for.

The 39-year-old Englishman, who is in the city to strike a deal with the Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF), appeared eager to explore a horizon beyond the England bound.

Harrison, a former Southampton goalkeeper who started his coaching career in South Africa in 1989, did not know a great deal about Bangladesh until the BFF invited him to travel all the way from England.

He arrived on Sunday and is confident of reaching an understanding before he returns home on Thursday.

"This is definitely going to be a major challenge. I also think it will be an exciting endeavour then anything I've experienced so far in my career," said Harrison while talking to The Daily Star at the BFF office last evening.

Although he has never travelled to Asia, Harrison nevertheless did visit Turkey and

admitted that he had little knowledge of Bangladesh football.

"I have seen the Asians in action on television but unfortunately never Bangladesh," remarked the handsome Briton, who was associated with Oxford United for the last five years.

Although he was the head coach in his two-year stint in South Africa where was associated with Hellenick and Clyde,

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Like Harrison the BFF joint-secretary, Badal Roy was also eager to wrap up the matter ahead of a busy international schedule for the Bangladeshi team.

The national team will feature in a four-nation tournament to be held in Maldives in May. Besides, they will travel to England in July to play a couple of exhibition matches against India. Bangladesh will play in Saudi Arabia in February next year.

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