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England in good shape

LONDON, Aug 31 (AFP): England were 169 for one on tea on the first day of the fifth and final Test against the West Indies at The Oval on Thursday, reports AFP.

Michael Atherton was 71 not out and Marcus Trescothick was dismissed three balls short of the interval for 78, his highest Test score.

Trescothick had batted beautifully but lost concentration against leg-spinner Mahendra Nagamootoo, an attempted cut stroke edged to Sherwin Campbell at first slip.

He had faced 192 balls and struck 12 fours.

England started the second session on 66 off 29 overs, Atherton 30 not out and Trescothick also 30 not out.

Somerset left-hander Trescothick, aged 24, was quickly into his stride straight-driving Nagamootoo for four in his second over after the interval and next ball cutting him to the boundary.

Correction
ESPN, not Star Sports is showing this match.

Courtney Walsh also suffered, off-driven for four by Trescothick.

The 43rd over saw Trescothick up the tempo still further. After England had reached 100, Trescothick went to his fifty with a flourishing cover-drive for four against Walsh, stroked boldly off the front-foot.

He had faced 131 balls including nine fours. Walsh, bowling around the wicket, then saw his next delivery treated in exactly the same fashion, 12 runs in all coming off the over.

At the other end Atherton was less fluent, but offered solid support nonetheless. He broke out of his shell to pull Nixon McLean for four to reach his fifty off 151 balls including seven fours.

Then, after avoiding a bouncer, he cover-drove McLean for an elegant boundary.

A sweep from Atherton off Jimmy Adams took the partnership past 155 breaking the England first wicket record against the West Indies at The Oval set by Jack Hobbs and Herbert Sutcliffe in 1928.

Saber on a tricky wicket

Councillors reach Cox's Bazar

Al-Amin


Saber Hossain Chowdhury's bid to inject professionalism into the Bangladesh Cricket Board will face a tough challenge from its councillors when the Annual General Meeting starts at Cox's Bazar on September 2.

Although the Board president has tried his best to make all the 126 councillors happy, arranging the AGM in the holiday resort, presenting nice gifts and above all creating a picnic atmosphere for them, but his plan to have a small and efficient Board remains a distant likelihood.

Given the pulse of current representative members in the Board Executive Committee, it is for sure Saber will face formidable opposition in making his mission successful.

Saber had tried to reconstruct the Board in April, but his quest for a professional Board came under severe criticism from the members. In his another attempt last month, he however got the appointment of a General Manager (GM) approved by the members.

But Saber faces a tougher challenge at the moment, as he will have to win the vote of confidence at the council meeting to turn the Board into a truly elected institution.

The BCB boss gave a sensational twist in his campaign for reconstitution saying that there should be a chairman in place of a president in the Board. Although that too was acceptable to many, but he invited criticism even from other sports federations when he claimed that the chairman should be elected instead of being nominated by the government.

Besides, Saber is also facing the daunting task of convincing both club and district organisers. Although most of the councillors, who reached Cox's Bazar yesterday to attend the much talked-about AGM, apparently looked happy with the way things are going, a division was quite evident between the,

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In a game of fluctuating fortunes, Pakistani recruit Mohammad Saqlain and ace forward Rafiqul Islam Kamal scored once each for Usha while midfielder Younus Ali Biswas struck twice for Mariner.

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