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1 Who scored the first hat-trick in this year's Fed Cup football?

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2 Who is Pakistan's cricket team captain?

Wasim Waqar Mohd

3 Who is the captain of Bangladesh cricket team?

Amirul Akbar Naimur

4 Who won the AB Bank Men's TT title?

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5 Who was voted Germany's footballer of the year in 2000?

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Wanderley Luxemburgo

(Brazil's soccer coach)

"It was the first game, so we were not playing at our best. But don't worry, just like the Olympics, we will get better and better."

After defeating Slovakia by 3-1.

Five-match suspension on Hagi

NYON, Switzerland, Sept 16: Galatasaray's Romanian international Gheorghe Hagi will be suspended for five matches after being sent off three times in four games. UEFA's disciplinary commission decided here Friday, reports AFP.

Hagi, 35, who received two yellow cards during Tuesday's Champions League clash against Monaco, was also sent off in Galatasaray's UEFA Cup final victory against Arsenal as he was when Romania met Italy at EURO 2000.

He had served the original two-match ban for the previous offences during his club side's qualifying ties for the Champions League.

However, Tuesday's antics were a step too far for UEFA as Hagi actually ran on to the edge of the pitch to celebrate Galatasaray's winner despite his sending-off.

Galatasaray were also hit with an 18,000 US dollar fine after plastic bottles were thrown on to the pitch during the match.

Monaco's Ousmane Dabo, also sent off during the Champions League clash, has been hit with a two-match suspension.

At the same meeting Northern Ireland were awarded a 3-0 victory in the under-21 European Championship match against Malta, originally a 1-1 draw, after Malta fielded a suspended player.

In the same competition and for the same reason Romania won 2-0 against Lithuania saw their victory raised to 3-0 with the Lithuanian FA fined 5,000 US dollars.

Mullally out of action

LONDON, Sept 16: England left-arm pace bowler Alan Mullally has been ruled out of the one-day matches on his country's forthcoming tour of Kenya and Pakistan, reports Reuters.

The England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) said on Friday that Mullally, who was chosen only for the limited-overs tour fixtures, has a cracked rib.

A decision about whether he would take part in the one-day internationals on England's tour of Sri Lanka early next year will be made during the northern winter.

Chairman of selectors David Graveney said, "It is a long-term injury and rest is the only treatment. We must avoid, for all parties concerned, that Alan returns to action too quickly before adequate rest."

A replacement for Mullally is to be announced on Monday.



A Star file photo of the newly-built 80,000-capacity National Stadium at Fatullah in Narayanganj. Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina opened the arena, which has been named as Khan Saheb Osman Ali National Stadium, in a ceremony yesterday.

\$1m up for grabs

KENYA, Sept 16 (Internet report): A total of one million US dollars is to be given away as prize money in the forthcoming ICC Knockout Tournament in Nairobi, Kenya in October, the organisers announced on Friday.

Prize money for the winning team exceeds that given in any other previous cricket competition in history.

A sum of 20,000 USD will be guaranteed to each team taking part in the competition, with prize money rising dramatically with each win gained.

Winners of the qualifying rounds will each receive 30,000 USD while a further 40,000 USD will be claimed by teams winning the quarter-finals.

Semi-final winners will receive another 50,000 USD and the winners of the final receive a 250,000 USD bonus.

This means that the even-

tual champions will receive a total of 340,000 USD in prize money, or 370,000 USD if they

Blue Star lift title

CHITTAGONG, Sept 16: Blue Star Club won the Seraj Mahanagar Kishore Football competition beating last year's champions Eden Club in the final by tie-breaker 4-2 at the Dampara Police Lines ground here today, reports BSS.

The scheduled time of play ended in goal-less.

In the tie-breaker Azim, Reddan, Shahidullah and Dulal scored for Blue Star. Prodip and Moshirraf converted for Eden Club.

A total of 10 teams participated in the competition held under the auspices of Chittagong Mohanagar Krira Sangstha.

played in a qualifying match.

"These are substantial financial awards for the teams and we believe it will result in exciting and competitive cricket," ICC Chief Executive, David Richards said. "In the final, the difference between winning and losing is 110,000 USD, so there is much to play for."

Prize money has more than doubled since the 1998 ICC Knockout Trophy in Bangladesh, when prize money totalled 400,000 USD and winners South Africa received a maximum of 140,000 USD. For the 1999 World Cup in England, total prize money was also 1 million pounds, of which eventual champions Australia received 318,000 USD.

The West Indies received 5,760 USD from winning the first World Cup in 1975, with runners-up Australia taking home 2,880 USD. Losing semi-finalists, England and New Zealand, received 1,440 each.

WORLD FOOTBALL BRIEFS

UNDATED, Sept 16 (AFP/Reuters/Internet): world football briefs on Saturday:

BLACK BARTHEZ

LONDON: Charismatic Manchester United goalkeeper Fabien Barthez says he is sticking to wearing black jerseys from now on as it is his lucky colour.

Shaven-headed World Cup winner Barthez, who also wears black for France, has tried yellow and green jerseys for United since his summer arrival from Monaco.

But in his last three black-clad outings he has seen the Reds' notch up 14 goals and concede just one and Barthez does not want to tempt fate by changing his jersey.

"I'll play in black the whole year. I started playing in yellow, then had a go in green, but I'm choosing the black."

"I like that colour and it's my lucky charm," he explained.

SCHUSTER BACK AT BARCELONA

BARCELONA: Former Barcelona captain Bernd Schuster has rejoined the Spanish club as a technical adviser.

The former German midfielder left the Catalan club in acrimonious circumstances in 1988 after a legal battle had forced him to sit out a season.

His new role announced by the club will be to report to the Barcelona coaching staff on international opponents, as well as casting an eye over transfer targets.

"I'm glad to be coming back to a club where I spent so long and where I achieved so much," Schuster said.

LEBOEUF FEELS AWFUL

LONDON: Chelsea's French international defender Frank Leboeuf said being booed by the club's fans during their UEFA Cup first round tie against Swiss side St Gallen had left

him depressed and unable to sleep.

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Leboeuf told The Sun the abuse he had received from the fans was the worst experience of his career.

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Premier League resumes today

Sports Reporter

The National Bank Premier Football League resumes today after a day's rest on Saturday with holders Mohammedan Sporting Club taking on Farashganj Sporting Club.

The match will kick off at 5.30pm. Mohammedan with four straight wins are however expected to face a tough challenge from the spirited old-town outfit, who gave Abahani a real scare before going down fighting (0-1) in their previous match.

Kenya Knockout on the BTV

Sports Reporter

Bangladesh Television will cover the ICC Knockout tournament live from the Kenyan capital of Nairobi.

The second edition of the mega event involving ten Test-playing nations and hosts Kenya commences from October 3.

Test babes Bangladesh, who had earlier hosted the inaugural edition in 1998, will play their first match on October 5 against England.

All the matches will start at 1pm (BST).

Prantik stay unbeaten

Prantik KC maintained their unbeaten run in the National Bank First Division Football League, but lost one point to BRIC SC after winning 4-2 in the tie-breaker at the Bangladesh National Stadium yesterday, reports UNB.

The match was locked 1-1 in the scheduled time. Sayeed Ali put Prantik ahead in the 23rd minute while Alangir Hossain equalised for BRIC SC.

In the day's other match, Mirpur Chalanika also won against Shantiganj Club in the tie-breaker 5-4. There no goals after 90 minutes.

TODAY'S MATCHES

Premier Division

Mohammedan SC v Farashganj SC (5.30 pm)

First Division

Wari Club v PWD SC (3.30 PM)

to be transmitted and also to get voice samples of groups to test the tapes of his alleged conversations with bookies, but there is no extradition agreement between the two countries.

South Africa in turn want to talk to the Indians allegedly involved in match-fixing. Batohi has indicated that she certainly wants to talk to former Indian captain Mohamed Azharuddin, implicated by Cronje during testimony as having introduced him to a bookmaker.

King Commission spokesman John Bacon said that the investigating team would spend at least a week in India, and longer if found necessary but the resumption of the commission's hearings would not be delayed beyond October 2nd.

Hair accuses Flower of throwing

BULAWAYO, Zimbabwe, Sept 16: Zimbabwe's left-arm spin bowler Grant Flower was no-balled three times in one over by Australian umpire Darrell Hair for allegedly 'throwing' here on Saturday, reports AFP.

It happened in Flower's second over during the morning session of the fifth and final day of the first cricket Test between Zimbabwe and New Zealand here.

Flower bowled three balls successfully, but Hair no-balled three others and on each occasion held discussions with his umpiring partner Russell Tiffin and Zimbabwe captain Heath Streak over what he considered an illegal bowling action.

After the third call, Streak told Flower off and his over was finished by Gavin Rennie.

The most controversial aspect of the incident comes from Flower's previous history as an international all-rounder. Although mainly an opening batsman, he has frequently been called on to bowl for Zimbabwe.

Flower bowled 16 overs, or 96 balls, in the first innings of this match.

He has played in 42 previous Test matches and 132 one-day internationals without an umpire's intervention. And he has bowled before in a match umpired by Hair without any problems.

However, Flower has been no-balled before in Zimbabwe domestic cricket.

Flower was recently involved in another no-balling controversy when he 'called' Sri Lanka's unorthodox spin bowler Muttiah Muralitharan.

The rules of cricket state that a bowler's arm must be straight when level with his shoulders and must not be bent and then straightened after his arm has reached that point.

Inter-college cricket

Faridpur Government Yasin College and Manikganj Government Debendra College won their respective matches in the Divisional Inter-College Cricket Competition at Mirpur Stadium yesterday, reports UNB.

Mehrab fills in for Shahriar?

Sports Reporter



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Opener Mehrib Hossain is about to be included in the Bangladesh squad if the ICC Knockout tournament organisers do not object.

The prospect of his inclusion brightened when other opener Shahriar Hossain ruled himself out having cut his right palm during a practice session at the BKSP on Thursday. Mehrib had not been included in the final list of fourteen, who are to tour Kenya and South Africa.

Shahriar, who was expected to open the Bangladesh batting with Javed Omar, required four stitches on his palm and had been advised to take at least four weeks' rest by the attending doctors.

Shahriar's injury left Naimur Rahman's team with only one specialist opener to play against England on October 5. And selectors, who found no better alternative other than Mehrib, have agreed in principle to draft in the talented young opener of late.

Mehrib, who was not even considered for a standby slot on the advice of the national team's South African physio Gavin Benzafield, however has been participating in the BKSP camp, and showed tremendous consistency with the bat.

The omission of Mehrib from the final squad announced in the first week of this month surprised many, but none uttered a single word since it was told he had failed the fitness test of Benzafield.

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Gavin was not of the opinion that Mehrib, considered as a very good prospect for the future, should risk the injury he sustained earlier this year.

But, interestingly though, Mehrib did not bother to take a rest. The country's lone one-day century-maker had been in the thick of things for the last one week, hitting two half-centuries in practice matches.

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African had no reservation since Mehrib was eighty per cent fit at the moment according to him.

Meeting at the Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) office yesterday, the selectors have agreed to include Mehrib but asked for a written statement from Gavin before taking a final decision.

The would-be inclusion of Mehrib however could put the selection procedure in question, and BCB might have to wait for the green signal from Nairobi.

Bangladesh, who will play a four-day match and three one-day games during their maiden tour to South Africa after the Kenya event leave for Nairobi on September 24.

King Commission to leave for India

JOHANNESBURG, Sept 16 (Internet report): Two investigators from South Africa's King Commission of Inquiry into match-fixing and corruption are leaving for India in an evidence-gathering mission.

Leader of evidence Shamila Batohi and investigating officer Geoff Edwards are expected to spend a week in India talking to cricket officials and players as well as Indian police, the India Abroad News Service reported.

The King Commission was established following the April revelations by Delhi Police that South African captain Hansie Cronje had been involved in match-fixing conversations with Indian bookmakers.

Black Caps take lead



BULAWAYO, Zimbabwe, Sept 16: New Zealand defeated Zimbabwe by seven wickets in the first Test here Saturday on a day when home bowler Grant Flower was no-balled three times in one over by Australian umpire Darrell Hair.

The Kiwis scored the required 132 runs for victory with three hours to spare on the fifth and final day after Zimbabwe had collapsed before lunch.

With a lead of 112 going into the day, they fell apart in their second innings in under 40 minutes, mainly due to the efforts of New Zealand all-rounder Chris Cairns, who took an impressive five for 31.

Zimbabwe's demise brought them a paltry 19 further runs, handing the match to New Zealand with barely a whimper after four days of close battle.

The New Zealand victory was their fourth in nine Tests against Zimbabwe, the other five being draws.

The next Test begins in Harare on Tuesday, but the tourists might have to play without left-arm spinner Daniel Vettori who has an injured back. It will be decided over the weekend whether he plays or returns home.

SCOREBOARD

Final scorecard in the first Test between Zimbabwe and Zealand on Saturday:

ZIMBABWE: First innings 350

NEW ZEALAND: First innings 338

ZIMBABWE: Second innings (overnight 100-5)

G Flower c Parore b O'Connor 3

Rennie b Cairns 2

Carlisle b Wiseman 15

Campbell not out 45

A Flower lbw b Aistle 22

Wishart c Richardson b Wiseman 1

Streak c McMillan b Wiseman 15

Nkala c Sinclair b Cairns 0

P Strang not out 8

B Strang b Cairns 5

Mutendera c Parore b Cairns 0

Extras: (lb-1, w-1, nb-1) 3

Total: (All out) 119

Fall of wickets: 1-27, 2-23, 3-393

Bowler O M R W